

***MCC Connects** - Simunye is a 4 week learning tour for young adults ages 18-25 in South Africa in July. Participants grow in faith as global Christians, foster an ethic of service, and engage in cross-cultural learning while working alongside MCC's South African partners. Check out mccsk.org/simunye. Applications accepted in March of 2012.

***Mar. 9-11, 2012** – Canadian Mennonite University invites high school students to attend **Peace-It-Together (PIT) 2012**. CMU speakers include Irma Fast Dueck, associate professor of practical theology, and lecturers Kenton Lobe and Justin Neufeld. Registration increases after January 31, 2012. www.cmu.ca/pit

*Journey through time on the **CMU Study Tour: Ancient Stones, Living Stones: the Holy Land in Perspective**. Travel April 30 – May 21, 2012 with leader Gordon Matties, Professor of Biblical & Theological Studies. Visit www.cmu.ca/studytour for more details.

Worship Leader: Wilf Buhler
Song Leader: Michelle McKinnell
Accompanist: Diana Buhler
Scripture reader: Naomi Schellenberg
Sound: Chris Buhler
Ushers: Harold Loewen, Steve Rowan
This Sunday nursery care: Jennifer Rowan
Next Sunday nursery care: Adeline Cox

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OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan
**A Welcoming Christian
Community for Peace**

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
January 29, 2012

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Call to Worship

One: God of all Creation
All: You have authority in Heaven and on earth.
One: Jesus, your son, preached with authority,
All: And many were amazed and some felt threatened.
One: Jesus healed the sick.
All: Our Lord has authority of health and wellness.
One: Our Lord has authority in Heaven and on earth.
All: May our Lord have authority in our lives.

Invocation

***Hymns: HWB #138 “Let God, who called the worlds”**
SJ #16 “Praise with joy the world’s Creator”

Sharing of joys and concerns
Discipline of Silence and Prayer of the church

PRAISING AND HEARING

Children's Time Sarah/Charlie

Hymn: SS #49 “I will come to you in the silence”

Psalter Lesson: Psalm 111
Gospel Lesson: Mark 1: 21-28

Offering and Offertory Music
Offertory prayer

Hymn: HWB #163

“Obey my voice”

Sermon: “From A to Z” George Janzen

RESPONDING

Hymn: HWB #507

“Gracious Spirit, dwell with me”

*Benediction

***Please rise**

We welcome all who are worshiping with us today.

To all our visitors: WELCOME. We are delighted that you are worshiping with us.

Nursery care is provided during the worship service for those who desire it (children over 4 years old should be accompanied by an adult).

Children’s Worship Binder, an instrument to help children through the worship hour, is available in the foyer.

TODAY

- **Beverages and snacks** available after the service.
- **Sunday School for children** begins at 11:15 am.
- **Final Winter Study session on Romans Chapters 11-16**, beginning at 11:15am in the sanctuary
- **Floor hockey:** 7:00 – 7:30pm – younger children
7:30pm-8:30pm – older kids, youth and adults

NEXT WEEK

- **Thursday, February 2, 7:30pm Church Council meeting**
- **Saturday, February 4, 9:30am to Noon: Annual General Meeting, followed by fundraiser lunch provided by the Youth**

Remember in Prayer

**Aron Friesen, experiencing health issues.
Connie Friesen, waiting for medical procedures, and all those recovering from surgery.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Congratulations to Art & Edna Zacharias on the birth of granddaughter Sydney Jalen. Sydney was born to Sherma Z. on January 16, weighing 7 lbs. 12 oz. Many blessings to all.

*The Education Committee would like to offer an **Art Club for kids for three Tuesday evenings in March**. Helpers are needed - Can you help one evening? Or two, or even all three? If so, please speak to Gordon or Adeline to volunteer and join the creative fun!

***A Discipleship Group will organize in January**, to meet when and as often as is best for the participants. The group will seek to enhance their understanding and ability to be faithful followers of Christ, and likewise, grow spiritually, too. The goal of the group is to be open and enabled to respond to new opportunities to serve, as God leads. Please contact Gordon if you would like to be a part of this group. Ideally, the group will be ten people or less.

***Jan 31, 7:30pm: Warman Thrift Store Annual General Meeting** here at Osler Mennonite Church

***Our Annual General Meeting** will be Saturday, February 4, 9:30am to noon.

***Blanket Making: February 8, 9, 15 and 16, in the mornings.**

***OMC's book club** is reading "Secret Daughter". Anyone interested is welcome to join discussion on the book on February 6 at 7:00pm.

*The **Youth Farm Bible Camp** is having their annual **Vereniki and Sausage Supper** at the Rosthern Mennonite Church on Tuesday, February 7, 5:00-7:00 pm. Admission by donation.

***February 17, 7:30pm Adult Game Night** presented by the Deacons. Bring snacks, drinks, and games to play.

***Our Church Directory** will be updated soon. Please submit revised addresses, phone numbers or email addresses to the office.

***The Truth and Reconciliation Hearings** are being held in 12 Saskatchewan communities. See the information from Mennonite Church Saskatchewan on the Bulletin Board for details.

***The Academy of Discipleship is offering two 8 week courses**, beginning February 13/14: *The Serpent and the Dove: Light from Genesis 1 to 11* on Tuesdays at Mount Royal Mennonite Church with instructor: Dr. Walter Klaassen *Stories Jesus told : The parables of Christ* on Mondays at Nutana Park Mennonite Church with instructors Vern Ratzlaff & Leighton Tebay. See the bulletin board posters for details.

***Mennonite Church Saskatchewan Annual Delegate Sessions** are scheduled for Feb 24-25 at Shekinah Retreat Centre. Our congregation may appoint 1 delegate to the Annual Delegate Sessions for every 25 members or portion thereof, plus one youth delegate. MCSask also encourages us to appoint one or two people who are interested in relationships with First Nations, to serve as contacts with the Ministries Commission. Those appointees should then attend the ADS, including the important Friday afternoon session with Harry Lafond from the Office of the Treaty Commissioner and Howard Cameron, Elder from Beardys and Okamasis First Nation.

Please see Carl if you are interested in representing OMC as a delegate. The Registration form, accommodation information, and the Report Booklet, are now available at www.mcsask.ca. Note: registration forms can be printed from the site and returned to the MCSask office by **February 15, the early fee deadline**. Several copies of the registration forms are also on the bulletin board. *The Moderator's Report (Page 3 & 4) contains important information from Renata that should be studied by congregational chairs and delegates.*

***Songfest** will be at First Mennonite Church, **March 23 & 24**. See the bulletin board for a poster and registration forms.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Psalm 111:1 - 10 (NRSV) ¹ Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation. ²Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them. ³ Full of honor and majesty is GOD's work, and GOD's righteousness endures forever. GOD has gained renown by GOD's wonderful deeds; the LORD is gracious and merciful. ⁵ The LORD provides food for those who fear GOD; the LORD is ever mindful of GOD's covenant. ⁶ The LORD has shown GOD's people the power of GOD'S works, in giving them the heritage of the nations. ⁷ The works of GOD'S hands are faithful and just; all GOD's precepts are trustworthy. ⁸ They are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness. ⁹ The LORD sent redemption to GOD'S people; the LORD has commanded GOD's covenant forever. Holy and awesome is GOD'S name. ¹⁰ The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. GOD'S praise endures forever.

Mark 1:21 - 28 (NRSV) ²¹They went to Capernaum; and when the Sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. ²²They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. ²³Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, ²⁴and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." ²⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" ²⁶And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. ²⁷They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." ²⁸At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.