

***MCC Connects** – This Christmas bring joy to the world by choosing gifts of love and compassion from MCC’s Christmas Giving 2012. Gifts that will help one more child go to school, one more family have clean water or one more community find peace. Give at mcccanada.ca/Christmas or call MCCS at 665-2555 or 1-888-622-6337.

*RJC Chorale, RJC Women’s choir and Sonrisa will present a Christmas Concert in beautiful Knox United Church (838 Spadina Crescent East, Saskatoon) on Saturday, December 15 at 7:30 pm. Admission is free; a collection will be taken in support of RJC. Everyone is welcome.

*RJC Christmas Concert - Rosthern Junior College will present its annual Christmas Concert on Friday, December 21 at 7:00 pm in the school auditorium. Join us as we celebrate the Christmas season with music and fellowship. A time of refreshments will follow the concert. Everyone is welcome.

Worship Leader: George Janzen
Song Leader: Kevin Boldt
Accompanist: Melanie Boldt
This Sunday Nursery care: Adeline Cox
Next Sunday Nursery care: Sarah Buhler and Katherine Allaby
Sound: Abe Braun
Ushers: Harold Loewen, Steve Rowan

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OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan
A Welcoming Christian
Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
November 25, 2012

Memorial Sunday

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

Call to Worship
Invocation

***Hymn: Blue/HWB #610 “On Jordan's stormy banks I stand”**
Blue/HWB #615 “Shall we gather at the river”

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

LISTENING

Children’s Time Adeline Cox

Hymn: Blue/HWB#11 “Sweet hour of prayer”

Psalter Lesson - Psalm 22:1-11
Lesson from the Epistles - I Thessalonians 4:13-18

Offering and Offertory music
Offertory prayer

Hymn: Green/SJ #93 “Wehrlos und verlassen sehnt sich”

Sermon: “Dying and Living” Gordon Allaby

RESPONDING

We Remember

We remember Jacob L. Guenther.

Lighting candles as symbols of our remembrance:

All are welcome to light a candle.

***Hymn: Green/SJ #110 “Go, silent friend”**

Benediction

***Please rise**

We welcome all who are worshipping with us today.

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

Nursery care is provided during the worship service for those who desire it (children over 4 years 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 all ages** begins at 11:15am.
- **Floor Hockey – 7:00pm**

THIS WEEK

- **Saturday, December 1, 12 Noon** – Ladies luncheon at the church

Remember in Prayer

-Naomi and Dan Schellenberg, Kathryn Janzen and George and Lynette Janzen & family, following the death of George’s mother, Gertruda Janzen.

-Doug Mckinnell, recovering from shoulder surgery.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Sunday, December 2nd is the first Sunday of Advent.

***Saturday, December 1 at noon: OMC Ladies Luncheon** will be a Bangladesh meal at the church. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. The cost is \$17.00 per person.

*Choir practices for Christmas will begin next Sunday, December 2 at 11:15am.

*The Winter “Rejoice” devotionals have arrived. Please help yourself to a copy as a resource for your daily devotional time.

*Submissions for the **December newsletter** are invited. Please submit articles/humor etc. to the church office by Wednesday, November 28.

*Copies of an at home Advent devotional guide is available on the podium by the front door. Help yourself.

***Student Bursary Fund applications:** A Bursary fund was started by a donation from the Estate of Rev. Corney Boldt for students who will be attending one of our church schools. A once-in-a-lifetime bursary of \$500.00 per student will be available as long as there is money in the fund. To qualify, the applicant or their parents must be members of Osler Mennonite Church or must have been active in the church program for the past three years. All applications must be submitted to the Bursary committee by December 7th, so they can be processed this year. The applications can be obtained at the office or from one of the committee members. Please return the completed application to Doug McKinnell. Thanks from Doug McKinnell, Linda Stucky and Margaret Boldt.

*The deacons would like to arrange for **two meals a week for John and Rhonda Gascho** and a sign-up sheet is now on the bulletin board. Meals can be frozen and if you are able to help but unable to deliver a meal, arrangements can be made to get it to the Gaschos.

***Friday and Saturday, November 30 and December 1 - "Embracing the Spirit of Reconciliation"** event sponsored by Willow Cree Health on Beardy's - Okemasis First Nations reserve, at the Constable Robin Cameron Education Complex is open to all. Includes statement gathering, sharing circles, discussions and workshops, ceremony, birthday party (9:30 a.m. to 3:30 pm with lunch served both days, as well as supper on Friday with entertainment beginning at 7 pm). Offering support to our nearby First Nations neighbors and deepening our own learning and understanding, through our participation (even if only for a part of one day if that is what we can fit into our lives), is a significant opportunity in walking the path together, in a good way, towards healing, reconciliation and mutual respect. Contact Rita MacDonald (232-5310) for further information.

*CMU invites prayers of support for the upcoming **Service of Installation for new CMU President Dr. Cheryl Pauls**. The service will be held on **Sunday, November 25, 2012 at 2:30 PM**. Dr. Pauls assumed her duties as President of CMU on November 1.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Psalm 22

¹ My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Why are you so far from helping me, from the words of my groaning?

² O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer;
and by night, but find no rest.

³ Yet you are holy,
enthroned on the praises of Israel.

⁴ In you our ancestors trusted;
they trusted, and you delivered them.

⁵ To you they cried, and were saved;
in you they trusted, and were not put to shame.

⁶ But I am a worm, and not human;
scorned by others, and despised by the people.

⁷ All who see me mock at me;
they make mouths at me, they shake their heads;

⁸ 'Commit your cause to the Lord; let the Lord deliver—
let the Lord rescue the one in whom God delights!'

⁹ Yet it was you who took me from the womb;
you kept me safe on my mother's breast.

¹⁰ On you I was cast from my birth,
and since my mother bore me you have been my God.

¹¹ Do not be far from me,
for trouble is near
and there is no one to help.

I Thessalonians 4:13-18

¹³ But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. ¹⁴For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. ¹⁵For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. ¹⁶For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord for ever. ¹⁸Therefore encourage one another with these words.