

**\*MCC Connects** – Save the date! The MCCS Encounter & AGM will be held November 2 & 3 at First Mennonite Church, Saskatoon. “Where has MCC been? Where is MCC going?” Learn about the impact of education in our world through the Global Family Program; meet the new International Volunteer Exchange Program (IVEP) participants; select workshops to attend. Details and registration online at [mccsk.ca](http://mccsk.ca) or call MCCS at 665-2555.

**\*Shekinah Retreat Centre’s annual Quilting and Scrapbooking Retreat** will be held October 12 – 14, 2012. Whether you are a quilter, a scrapbooker, a knitter, a calligrapher, a painter – whatever your favourite pastime! – you are welcome to enjoy this weekend. Cost: \$150. Registration deadline: October 1, 2012. See brochure/registration forms and poster on the bulletin board for details.

**\*October 19-20, Shekinah Timber Lodge:** Sask Women in Mission invite you to a **Women’s Retreat**, with guest speaker Doris Dueck. See the bulletin board poster for details and registration forms.

Worship Leader: Jim Dyck  
Song Leader: Ben Buhler  
Accompanist: Diana Buhler  
Scripture reader: Doug McKinnell  
This Sunday Nursery care: Jennifer Rowan  
Next Sundays Nursery care: Leslie Allaby  
Sound: Dave Klassen  
Ushers: Dick Braun, Karl Martens

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## OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

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

10:00 a.m. Worship Service  
September 16, 2012

Prelude  
Welcome and Announcements

### GATHERING

Call to Worship  
Invocation

**\*Hymn: Blue/HWB #1** “What is this place” “  
**Blue/HWB #135** “God, whose purpose is to kindle”

### **Child Dedication for Olivia Judith Martens**

Sharing of joys and concerns  
Prayer of the church

### LISTENING

Children’s Time and Loose Change collection Jake Buhler

**Hymn: Green/SJ #42** “Listen, God is calling”

Old Testament Lesson: Proverbs 1:20-33  
Gospel lesson: Mark 8:34-38

Offering and Offertory music  
Offertory prayer

**Hymn: Purple/SS #39** “Will you come and follow me”

Sermon: “The way to live” Gordon Allaby

## RESPONDING

\*Hymn: **Blue/HWB #545**                      “Be thou my vision”

\*Benediction

**\*Please rise**

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**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.

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### **TODAY**

- **Beverages and snacks** available after the service.
- **Sunday School for all ages** begins at 11:15am.

### **THIS WEEK**

- **Wednesday, Sept 19, 7:30pm, Education Committee Meeting**
  - **Thursday, Sept 20, 7:00pm, Worship Committee Meeting**
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### **Remember in Prayer**

**MaryAnn and Abe Braun, and all of Aron Friesen’s family,** during this difficult time.

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

\***October 7th** will be our next Communion. October 7th is Thanksgiving Sunday, and also World Communion Sunday.

\*The Deacons would again like to assemble **care packages** for Bible school and University students. Please submit the names and addresses of our students to the church office as soon as possible. The next two Sundays there will be boxes in the foyer, and you are invited to contribute notes of encouragement and small items to be sent to our students.

\***On Wednesday and Thursday, October 3 & 4**, a professional photographer will come to our church between 2:30 and 8:30pm to take our photographs for the new pictorial church directory. There is no charge for the sitting, and you will receive a free 8 x 10 photo and a free new church directory. You will also have the option of buying more portraits. **Sign Up Appointment sheets** are now on the bulletin board – Please sign up now for your best choice of sitting times. (If you choose to submit your own photo for the directory instead, a fee of \$12.50 will be charged to you and you will also receive a photo directory.) We need everyone to participate to make the directory complete, so please sign up today.

\*The **Church Yard maintenance** schedule is posted on the bulletin board. Dave Feick and Kevin Boldt are asked to take charge of cutting the grass in the church yard for the next week.

\***RJC Opening Service** today at 2:30 pm in the gym. RJC would be delighted to have you join in as they gather to give thanks and ask God's blessings for the new school year.

\* **The Saskatchewan Unit of Mennonite Disaster Service** has launched a Hay Drive to assist farmers in drought stricken areas of Eastern Ontario and the U.S. Midwest. Drought in these areas is severely impacting the livestock sector, resulting in farmers feeding hay now that was stored for winter feeding. The shortage of hay is becoming critical. MDS is working at moving surplus Saskatchewan hay to these drought stricken areas. Farmers willing to donate hay may email Ike Epp at [birwood@littleloon.ca](mailto:birwood@littleloon.ca) or 1-306-342-4344. Cash donations are also needed to help defray the cost of buying and/or moving this hay to the East. [www.mds.mennonite.net](http://www.mds.mennonite.net)

\*Tuesday, September 25 - 5:00-7:00pm: **Fall Supper at the Youth Farm Bible Camp**. The menu includes Roast Beef, Turkey, Potatoes, Corn, Stuffing, Pie and more. Location is at the camp and admission is by donation.

## TODAY'S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

### Proverbs 1:20-33

<sup>20</sup> Wisdom cries out in the street; in the squares she raises her voice.  
<sup>21</sup> At the busiest corner she cries out; at the entrance of the city gates she speaks: <sup>22</sup> ‘How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple? How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge?’ <sup>23</sup> Give heed to my reproof; I will pour out my thoughts to you; I will make my words known to you. <sup>24</sup> Because I have called and you refused, have stretched out my hand and no one heeded, <sup>25</sup> and because you have ignored all my counsel and would have none of my reproof, <sup>26</sup> I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when panic strikes you, <sup>27</sup> when panic strikes you like a storm, and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you. <sup>28</sup> Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer; they will seek me diligently, but will not find me. <sup>29</sup> Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the LORD, <sup>30</sup> would have none of my counsel, and despised all my reproof, <sup>31</sup> therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way and be sated with their own devices. <sup>32</sup> For waywardness kills the simple, and the complacency of fools destroys them; <sup>33</sup> but those who listen to me will be secure and will live at ease, without dread of disaster.’

### Mark 12:28-34 (NRSV)

<sup>28</sup> One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, he asked him, “Which commandment is the first of all?” <sup>29</sup> Jesus answered, “The first is, ‘Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; <sup>30</sup> you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.’ <sup>31</sup> The second is this, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.” <sup>32</sup> Then the scribe said to him, “You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that ‘he is one, and besides him there is no other’; <sup>33</sup> and ‘to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength,’ and ‘to love one’s neighbor as oneself,’—this is much more important than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.” <sup>34</sup> When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, “You are not far from the kingdom of God.” After that no one dared to ask him any question.