

* **MCC Connects – MCCS Appleby Kids Club** is looking for **volunteers** for kids and youth programming, ages 3 – 15, Wednesday nights from 6-8 pm in the Saskatoon Meadowgreen neighbourhood. Please contact MCCS Community Engagement Coordinator Kaytee Edwards at 306-665-2555 ext. 237 or **email:** kayteeedwards@mccs.org for more information.

* **May 5, 2013, 3-5pm**, MC Sask invites everyone to a service of celebration and communion for Breath of Life Mennonite Church, 731 Avenue J South in Saskatoon.

* Everyone is invited to attend an Appreciation Day for **Cornie and Marlene Martens** of Rabbit Lake, on Sunday, April 28th, at 11 AM in the Rabbit Lake Hall, recognizing their many years as servants in the Hoffnungsfelder Churches. There will be a worship service, a noon meal served, followed by a program.

Worship Leader: Gordon Allaby
Song Leader: Kevin Boldt
Accompanists: Naomi Schellenberg
This Sunday Nursery care: Lucy Friesen
Next Sunday Nursery care: Sarah Buhler and Delaney Sawatzky
Sound: Chris Buhler
Ushers: Harold Loewen, Sarah Hiebert

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OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan
A Welcoming Christian
Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
April 21, 2013

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

Call to Worship (Insert)
Invocation: Purple/S #198 (Unison)

***Hymns: Blue/HWB #648 “Morning has broken”**
Blue/HWB #159 “All beautiful the march of days”

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

LISTENING

Children's Time Adeline Cox

Hymn: Blue/HWB #614 “In the bulb there is a flower”

Psalter Lesson: Psalm 96: 11-12
Old Testament Lessons: Leviticus 25: 1-5, Isaiah 55:12

Offering and Offertory music
Offertory prayer: Green/SJ #147

Hymn: Blue/HWB #154 “This is my Father's world”

Sermon Glen Grismer
"Not Genesis!"

RESPONDING

***Hymn: Blue/HWB #427** “You shall go out with joy”

*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 worship service.
 - **Sunday School for all ages** begins at 11:15am
 - **Noon: Soup and Pie Fundraiser Lunch** presented by OMC Youth
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

* **Today:** Everyone is invited to stay for a *Youth Soup and Pie Fundraiser lunch* at noon – donations accepted. Come enjoy great food, a time to visit and an opportunity to help our Youth attend the Mennonite Church Canada Youth Assembly in Winnipeg in July.

* Six of our **OMC youth** (and Leslie) are heading to Manitoba in July for the Mennonite Church Canada Youth Assembly. They are very excited to be joining Mennonite youth from across the country to join in the "Fat Calf Festival" and need your help in order to pay for the trip. Another \$400.00 has been given, so as of today, the youth only need to raise an additional **\$700.00** in order to pay for the bus trip and Assembly fees. Please consider making a donation, enabling youth to grow in their faith and connection to the larger Mennonite church community. Designate your gift to the OMC Youth, please. And thanks to those who already have donated!

* **An anonymous thank you note:** “Thanks so much again to all who cooked, served and cleaned up (at the Seniors Banquet last Saturday) and thanks to Gordon and the Warman Jazz Band and for a wonderful evening.”

* Can you take a turn and help with set up and clean up for the after worship **Gathering coffee time?** Please speak to Joanne for details and to volunteer.

* The Mission & Service Committee has set up Guidelines for the use of money that has been given to the church designated for **Camperships**. If you know of children from our church or community who are interested in going to camp, please review the Guidelines and submit an application. The Guidelines and application forms are posted on the bulletin board. If you have any questions or suggested names, please contact Margaret Dyck at 306-239-2205.

* The church has recently received two requests for donations from within our MC Canada family. The first is from MC Canada, Indigenous Relations regarding the quarterly periodical “Intotemak”. The second is a request for donations from RJC. The church budget does not include contributions to either of these but if anyone wishes to make an individual contribution you are encouraged to do so either directly or through the Sunday morning offering with the designation noted on your cheque or offering envelope. Both requests have been posted on the bulletin board in the foyer to provide you with additional information.”

* **OMC 2013 Yard Maintenance sign-up sheet:** trustees are asking OMC members to consider helping out with 2013 church yard maintenance, and signing the list on the church bulletin board. We would be especially delighted and grateful, to those who could help out several times this summer!!!

Also, we are again looking for several volunteers to look after the planted areas in front of the church building, and around the OMC sign by the street.

* **Catechism** for Senior Youth will resume in the next SS year, as we now have senior youth. Also, contact Gordon if you're interested in attending a catechism class or new member class.

* The annual **OMC work 'morning'** is Saturday, May 4th 9-12 a.m. We will try and accomplish outside work- as well as many inside tasks such as cleaning and painting - so all are welcome!!

* **Children's Sunday School** - A new rotation begins today on "The Seven day Creation" with story/music session with Ben Buhler and the science and art sessions lead by Jake Buhler.

* Planting flowers this spring? Worship Committee invites you to plant a few extras to make bouquets for the front of the sanctuary on Sundays in summer. If you enjoy growing and arranging flowers, and would be willing to make a **floral arrangement(s)** for a Sunday morning(s) during the growing season, feel free to do so! It adds natural beauty to our worship. Any questions, please speak to Melanie Boldt.

* Those who have ears, let them hear! We need **volunteers to run the sound panel** during Sunday morning worship services ---a most vital ministry in our congregation! Training will be provided and a flexible schedule will allow you to do this job easily and well! If you are interested in helping out, please contact Melanie Boldt, Kathryn Janzen, Lynette Janzen or Michelle McKinnell.

* **Start saving those Pennies!** Children of Osler Mennonite Church are asked to gather pennies and other coins to donate to the MCC Relief Sale in June through the *Penny Power Water Project*. This money will be used for its relief worldwide. **A jar has been placed in the foyer to collect our coins for MCC, with a mystery donor matching those donations 4 to 1** (up to \$400). Adults are allowed and encouraged to help out the children and bring your pennies and coins, too!

* See the bulletin board for information about several RJC Employment opportunities.

* **RJC Open Campus Day** is coming on May 11th. Save the date and watch Facebook and the RJC website for more info.

* **RJC SPRING CONCERT - Saturday, May 11, 7:00 pm** in the RJC gymnasium. We would be delighted to have you join us for an evening of wonderful music. Season finale performances by Concert Choir and Chorale will highlight the evening. Admission is free; a collection in support of RJC will be taken during the concert.

* **RJC Spring Classic Golf Tournament Fundraiser, Saturday, May 25** - Join us at the Valley Regional Park, Rosthern, for a Texas Scramble Golf Tournament. Sign up individually or as a team (\$125/person or \$500/team). This event includes on-course contests and challenges, and a banquet and silent auction at RJC following the tournament. Information and registration forms will be available on the RJC website at www.rjc.sk.ca or contact rjcgolf@rjc.sk.ca. Registration deadline is May 13. **If you are interested in being a corporate sponsor, or donating team prizes or silent auction items, please contact RJC.**

* Friday, May 10, 2013, 7:00pm - University of Emmanuel College, College of Emmanuel & St. Chad, the Lutheran Theological Seminary Saskatoon and St. Andrew's College invite you to attend the Joint Convocation Ceremonies of the Saskatoon Theological Union at Zion Lutheran Church, 323 4th Ave. So, Saskatoon.

* MC Sask Continuing Education presents a week long education event about learning skills for conflict resolution with Matthew Hartman, May 21-24 at Wildwood Mennonite Church. See the bulletin board for more details.

***Campers**, have you registered for summer camp yet? On-line registration & on-paper registration are both ready to welcome you at Shekinah Remember, you get \$20 off your registration fee if you pay in full before May 1, 2013!

* **Canadian Mennonite University** www.cmu.ca

“One of the most important things I’ve learned during my time at CMU so far has been the power of love and forgiveness,” comments Shadrack Mutabazi, a student from Democratic Republic of Congo studying Peace and Conflict Transformation Studies. Want to know more about the power of nonviolent action? Check out *Finding Your Voice: Understanding Nonviolent Action for Today’s Complex World* with Mubarak Awad at the Canadian School of Peacebuilding, June 24 – 28, 2013. See csop.cmu.ca or csop@cmu.ca for more information.

TODAY’S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Psalm 96: 11-12

¹¹ Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice;
let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
¹² let the field exult, and everything in it.
Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy!

Leviticus 25: 1-5

²⁵The LORD spoke to Moses on Mount Sinai, saying: ²Speak to the people of Israel and say to them: When you enter the land that I am giving you, the land shall observe a sabbath for the LORD. ³For six years you shall sow your field, and for six years you shall prune your vineyard, and gather in their yield; ⁴but in the seventh year there shall be a sabbath of complete rest for the land, a sabbath for the LORD: you shall not sow your field or prune your vineyard. ⁵You shall not reap the aftergrowth of your harvest or gather the grapes of your unpruned vine: it shall be a year of complete rest for the land.

Isaiah 55:12

¹² For you shall go out in joy,
and be led back in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you
shall burst into song,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

Call to Worship

It all begins in creation.

I thank you God for this most amazing day, for the leaping greenly spirits of trees, and for the blue dream of sky and for everything which is natural, which is infinite, which is yes.

e. e. cummings

Look deep into nature, and then you will understand everything better.

Albert Einstein

I go to nature to be soothed and healed, and to have my senses put in order.

John Burroughs

I believe in God, only I spell it Nature.

Frank Lloyd Wright

One touch of nature makes the whole world kin.

William Shakespeare

God writes the gospel not in the Bible alone, but on trees and flowers and clouds and stars.

~Author unknown, commonly attributed to Martin Luther

An Atheist never leaves the wilderness.



**Mennonite
Disaster
Service**

*HAYEAST: Did you know MDS has delivered nearly 2 million lbs. of hay to farmers affected by the drought in Ontario? Did you know that we are inviting FAMILIES to participate in building cabins at a church camp in Alberta this summer? Did you know MDS still needs volunteers through the summer to serve in Staten Island, New York? Call the Winnipeg office for more information 866-261-1274.