

**\*MCC Connects:** School kits are MCC's most requested item. MCC sends school kits to places including Iraq, Nicaragua and DPRK. Bring joy to more children by donating kit supplies. Visit [mccsk.ca/material](http://mccsk.ca/material) resources for more information, or call the Saskatoon office and ask for Del Lennea at 306.665.2555.

**\*RJC:** Applications are still being accepted for the 2013-2014 school year at Rosthern Junior College! Please contact Valerie White in Admissions (306 232-4222 or [val@rjc.sk.ca](mailto:val@rjc.sk.ca)) if you would like more information and to arrange a tour. **Registration Day** is Monday, September 2, 10:00 am - 12 noon for day students, and 1:00-5:00 pm for out-of-town students who are moving into the dorms. Classes begin Tuesday, September 3.

**\*An Invitation:** A course on the meaning and purpose of life is offered at First Mennonite Church in Saskatoon. The 14 week free course will be held on Sunday evenings, 7:00 to 9:00 pm, beginning Sept. 1. See the bulletin board for more information.

\*The September 2013 "PrayerNet" from Mennonite Church Canada is now posted on the far bulletin board.

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## OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan  
A Welcoming Christian  
Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service  
August 25, 2013

Prelude  
Welcome and Announcements

### GATHERING

#### **Call to worship (Responsive, based on Psalm 103)**

One: Bless the Lord, O my soul, bless God's holy name!  
**All: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all God's benefits –**  
One: The Lord forgives our iniquity, heals us and redeems us;  
**All: The Lord crowns us with steadfast love and mercy.**  
One: The Lord works vindication and justice for all who are oppressed, and is forever merciful and gracious.  
**All: For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is God's love and compassion for God's children.**  
One: Bless the Lord, all God's works, in all places of the earth!  
**All: Bless the Lord, O my soul!**

Invocation

**\*Hymns: Blue/HWB #65 "Praise, my soul, the King of heaven!"  
Blue/HWB #600 "O bless the Lord, my soul"**

Sharing  
Discipline of Silence and Prayer of the church

### LISTENING

Children's Time

Adeline Cox

**Hymns: Green/SJ#92**

**"Just as I am, without one plea"**

Old Testament lesson: Jeremiah 1:4-10  
Gospel Lesson: Luke 13:10-17

Offering and Offertory music  
Offertory prayer

**Hymns: Green/SJ #63 “Lord, you give the great commission”**

Sermon “To pluck up and to pull down” Gordon Allaby

RESPONDING

**\*Hymn: Blue/HWB #434 “Thuma mina”**

\*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.

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

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**THIS WEEK**

- **Tuesday, August 27, 7:30pm** – Missions and Service Committee meeting
- **Wednesday, August 28, 7:30pm** – Worship Committee Meeting

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**Remember in Prayer**  
**Linda Doell, recovering from surgery.**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

\*In a couple of weeks, we will be gathering in the **Gathering Place** for coffee after Sunday morning worship. **Your help is needed** to take a turn preparing coffee, setting out goodies and cleaning up - beginning September 8<sup>th</sup>. Please volunteer by signing up on the bulletin board sign-up sheet for the **Gathering Place**. Thank-you!

\*If you **borrow things** from the church, please sign those items in and out on the Sign-out sheet on the bulletin board beside the church mailboxes. When you return the borrowed item, thank you for returning it to the spot it was borrowed from.

\*The summer **Church Yard Maintenance Schedules** are posted on the bulletin board. Joe Guenther is signed up for the coming week (ending Sunday, Sept. 1st) for mowing the church yard. Thank you!

\*The **Heart to Heart** women's group will meet on **Tuesday, September 10th**, at 7:30 pm. We are asking each woman to bring 20 bite-sized pieces of your favourite dessert or coffee-time snack to share, along with one copy of the recipe. We will do a recipe swap and we will make a copy of your recipe for each person.

\*A big **"Fat Calf" Thank You!** to everyone who supported us in attending the MC Canada Youth Assembly last month. Your donations, prayers and encouragement meant so much to us and allowed us take part in this amazing experience. We would not have been able to attend without your support. Thank you!!! Katherine A., Deanna B., Jasmine F., Emma M., Sydney N., and Leslie A.

\***Warman MCC Thrift Store** is in urgent need of volunteers. To volunteer or for more information, call Carla at 306-933-3293.

\*The **Junior High Retreat** will again take place at the **Youth Farm Bible Camp** in Rosthern on **September 20-22, 2013**. The theme is *The Greatest: the Life of a True Superhero* with Joe Heikman, pastor at Wildwood Mennonite Church, as the resource person. There will be lots of singing, recreation (wall climbing/ropes course), learning, service and fellowship. On Saturday evening there will be opportunity to go through the corn maze. **The cost for the weekend is \$25.00 and registration is due by September 13th**. Please see Leslie A. for more information and to register. ***NB:* An Adult Sponsor is needed to attend the Retreat with the Youth**. If you are able to go, please contact Leslie.

**\*MHSS Book Launch/Signing:** “By Whatever Name” by Elizabeth Reimer Bartel on Sept. 8 at 2:30pm in Fellowship Hall at Bethany Manor. See the Bulletin board for poster.

\*Bethany Manor and Rosthern Mennonite Nursing Home are co-hosting the annual sessions of **Canadian Mennonite Health Assembly**. CMHA provides opportunity for Mennonite organizations to meet for inspiration and information sharing. The conference will take place at Bethany Manor on Sept 12-14. See the bulletin board for details, including registration forms.

\*CMU invites you to **Fall Festival 2013**, happening **Friday, Sept. 27** and **Saturday, Sept. 28**. With something for everyone – students, alumni, friends, donors, and community members – Fall Festival is a fun-filled weekend featuring opportunities to connect, learn, play, and celebrate with the CMU community. Events include the CMU Blazer Awards presentation, basketball games, a farmers market, pie bake-off, a cyclocross bike race, decade class reunions, a music festival, learning samplers with CMU faculty and staff, a supper event, CMU's opening program, and more. For details: [www.cmu.ca/fallfest](http://www.cmu.ca/fallfest) or call Joyce Friesen at 204-487-3300 ext. 604.

**\*Shekinah Retreat Centre's annual Quilting and Scrapbooking Retreat** will be held October 4 – 6, 2013. Whether you are a quilter, a scrapbooker, a knitter, a calligrapher, a painter – whatever your favourite pastime! – you are welcome to enjoy this weekend. Registration deadline: September 15, 2013. See the poster and brochure on the bulletin board for details and registration forms.

**\*October 18 & 19:** Annual Women's Retreat at the Timberlodge, Shekinah beginning at 5:00pm. Cost is \$120.00; register by Oct. 1 to Ruth Quiring Heppner, Box 1292, Rosthern SK S0K 3R0. Guest speaker is Elsie Goerzen on the theme "Courageous Women of the Bible." See bulletin board poster or [mcsask.ca/events](http://mcsask.ca/events).

\*CMU invites high school students to hear **Shane Claiborne** at **Peace-It-Together (PIT) 2013, October 18-20**. Claiborne will speak on Pursue Peace, Seek Justice. Registration forms and info are available at [www.cmu.ca/pit](http://www.cmu.ca/pit)

## **TODAY'S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:**

### **Jeremiah 1:4-10**

4 Now the word of the Lord came to me saying, <sup>5</sup> ‘Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.’ <sup>6</sup>Then I said, ‘Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.’ <sup>7</sup>But the Lord said to me, ‘Do not say, “I am only a boy”; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. <sup>8</sup> Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord.’ <sup>9</sup>Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me, ‘Now I have put my words in your mouth. <sup>10</sup> See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.’

### **Luke 13:10-17**

10 Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. <sup>11</sup>And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. <sup>12</sup>When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, ‘Woman, you are set free from your ailment.’ <sup>13</sup>When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. <sup>14</sup>But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, ‘There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.’ <sup>15</sup>But the Lord answered him and said, ‘You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? <sup>16</sup>And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?’ <sup>17</sup>When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.