

***MCC Connects** – MCC Connects – Expand, Enrich, Embrace . . .
Your Life, Our World! SALT - Serving and Learning Together is
MCC's year-long cross-cultural service opportunity for Christian
young adults ages 18-27. Visit salt.mcc.org. Apply now.

***Friday Night Live at RJC.** RJC invites Grade 6-12 Youth, youth
leaders, parents and pastors to Friday Night Live on Friday, January
18, 7:30 pm. This exciting event includes interactive activities,
performances by RJC students, and information about RJC programs
and upcoming events. Admission is free, but please RSVP so there
are enough seats and treats for everyone! Email Valerie White
at val@rjc.sk.ca or click "join" on the RJC Facebook event page.
Watch for the BRING-A-FRIEND contests on the Facebook pages
and website.

***Songfest 2013** will be held at First Mennonite Church, 418 Queen
Street in Saskatoon on March 8 & 9, sponsored by the Music
Committee of Mennonite Church Saskatchewan. Registration forms
and more information can be found on the bulletin board and is also
available at <http://www.mcsask.ca> under the EVENTS page.

Worship Leader: George Janzen
Song Leader: Loretta Sawatzky
Accompanist: Naomi Schellenberg
This Sunday Nursery care: MaryAnn Braun
Next Sunday Nursery care: Jennifer Rowan
Sound: Chris Buhler
Ushers: Russ Friesen, Lloyd Sawatzky

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OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan
A Welcoming Christian
Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
January 6, 2013

Epiphany Sunday

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

Call to Worship
Invocation

***Hymn: Blue/HWB #107 “Blessed Savior, we adore thee”**
Blue/HWB # 319 “Jesus shall reign”

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

LISTENING

Children's Time Lacey Braun

Hymn: Blue/HWB #218 “As with gladness men of old”

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 60:1-6
Gospel lesson - Matthew 2:1-12

Offering and Offertory music
Offertory prayer

Hymn: Blue/HWB #402 “Christian, let your burning light”

Sermon Gordon Allaby
“A light for all”

RESPONDING

*Hymn: Purple/SS #30 "Arise, your light is come!"

*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.
- **Floor hockey: 7:00pm**

THIS WEEK

- **Thursday, January 10, 7:30pm - Deacons Meeting**
 - **Next Sunday: Winter Study#1** during the Sunday School hour
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Remember in Prayer

Steve Guenther will be having heart surgery on January 9th and Steve and Jan and their family request our prayers for him.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*There is a new 2013 sign-up sheet on the bulletin board to sign up to bring snacks for Sunday School and for the coffee Gathering time.

***Blanket Making** for MCC will take place at the church on January 21, 22 and January 28 and 29.

*The deacons invite you to **prepare a meal** for John and Rhonda Gascho and their son Jem. If you can help, please sign up on the bulletin board. If you have any questions, speak to one of the deacons: Steve G., Kathy Braun, Kathryn J., Dave F. & Edna Z.

*The Education and the Mission and Service Committee are sponsoring "**Do ART**" for the Osler community children in grades 5-9. Do ART will happen once a month from January through March, starting January 15, 7:00 - 8:30 pm -- the art teacher is Cheryl Haas.

*A new **Nursery supervision schedule** is now being prepared for the period from March to June 2013. If you are able to help with nursery supervision one Sunday every two or three months, please contact the church office by January 15th to volunteer.

***Upcoming OMC Youth Fundraisers!** For Mennonite Church Canada's 2013 Youth Assembly, Camp Assiniboia, Winnipeg, MB July 29-August 2, 2013

Osler Mennonite Church's youth (those in Grades 9-12 in the 2013-2014 school year) are very excited to be attending the upcoming Mennonite Church Canada Youth Assembly in Manitoba. For all of them, this will be their first experience attending a national youth assembly! The cost of the trip per youth will be:

- ❖ \$390.00 for the weeklong assembly.
- ❖ \$200.00 for transportation and overnight accommodations. A bus has been reserved for Mennonite Church Saskatchewan participants. For a Total Cost of \$590.00

In order to make this trip affordable, our youth will be doing fundraisers this winter and spring. It would be great if we could raise the entire amount needed! More information will be forthcoming in the months ahead on fundraising activities. If you have questions, or want to make a contribution to the Assembly Fund, please let me know. For more information on the Youth Assembly, go to www.fatcalf.mennonitechurch.ca. Thanks. Leslie Allaby

***OMC Book Club** will be reading "The Book of Negroes" by Canadian author Lawrence Hill this month. If you'd like a book, please see Loretta. Discussion will be Monday, February 4.

*Saturday, January 12 - 10:00am - Come to the **Youth Farm Bible Camp** to have some fresh Cinnamon Buns and hear reports from last summer and exciting future projects!

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Isaiah 60:1-6 ¹Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. ²For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. ³Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

⁴Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. ⁵Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. ⁶A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Matthew 2:1-12 ¹In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men* from the East came to Jerusalem, ²asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' ³When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been

written by the prophet: ⁶“And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.” ⁸Then Herod secretly called for the wise men* and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. ⁸Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, ‘Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.’ ⁹When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. ¹¹On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. ¹²And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.