

MCC Connects: Love fashion? Or fixing up furniture? Consider volunteering at an MCC Thrift Shop in your community and put your skills and talents to work! MCC Thrift Shops raise funds to support MCC's work around the world. Contact Erica Baerwald at 306.665.2555 for more information about getting involved.

***RJC** is accepting student registrations for the 2013-14 school year. Applications can be downloaded from the website (www.rjc.sk.ca) or call the office for a complete package (306 232-4222). Contact Valerie White in Admissions if you know of students or families that might be interested in RJC. Contact her as well for more information and to arrange a tour of the school (val@rjc.sk.ca).

***Shekinah: Thanks to the MDS folks in Saskatchewan** who responded quickly to MC Saskatchewan's Camp Shekinah when they were flooded. Volunteers worked together with camp staff to clean out, gut, and rebuild the facility to allow summer camp to begin on schedule.

Worship Leader: Wilf Buhler
Song Leader: Kevin Boldt
Accompanist: Melanie Boldt
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OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan
A Welcoming Christian
Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
July 14, 2013

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

Call to worship
Invocation

***Hymns: Green/SJ # 18** "Over my head"
Blue/HWB #377 "Healer of our every ill"

Sharing time
Discipline of Silence and Prayer of the church

LISTENING

Children's Time Edna Zacharias

Hymn: Blue/HWB #559 "O thou, in whose presence"

Gospel Lesson: Luke 10:25-37

Offering and Offertory music
Offertory prayer

***Hymns: Blue/HWB #307** "Will you let me be your servant"

Blue/HWB #393 "A charge to keep I have"

Sermon "And am I a neighbour?" Sarah Buhler

RESPONDING

***Hymn: Blue/HWB #420 “Heart with loving heart united”**

*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.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Gordon will be away from June 29 to July 14. The deacons are available for pastoral care.

***Vacation Bible School starts ONE week from tomorrow!**

Children from ages 4 to those going into Grade 6 are invited to come and bring their friends. It will be **Monday to Friday, July 22- 26 – 9:00am-11:30am**. This year’s theme is: *“Breathe it in – God gives Life”*. The MCSask VBS Troupe will prepare and lead all the activities, and our congregation needs to provide only the following:

1. We have 6 Youth volunteers willing to help! especially with the 4-5 yr olds. We still **need 3 adult helpers** daily to assist the troupe with activities and supervision – are you available for one or two days? or all week?
2. Also, **one “Snack person”** is needed to serve snacks and clean up after snack time each day.
3. Volunteers are needed to **bring Snacks for about 35 kids**.
4. We also need to feed the troupe lunch each day. Please sign up if you can **bring a Lunch to church for the 3 troupe members** or host them at your home.
5. 15-20 aluminum pie plates

Please sign up on the bulletin board to volunteer or talk to Shelley or Adeline for more information. If you can’t sign up for all 5 mornings, please sign up for one or more days, if you can.

*The summer **Church Yard Maintenance** Schedules are posted on the bulletin board. Bruce Boldt is signed up for the coming week (ending Sunday, July 21st) for mowing grass, John Gascho for the church center flower beds, Sarah H. for west bed and Kathy, Anna and Shelley for around the church sign. Thank you!

***Community Aid Fund** – The church’s Community Aid Fund is maintained outside of the regular church budget to help address emergencies or special needs among people in the Osler area. In the past year there have been a couple of situations where the Missions and Service Committee have approved the use of some money from that fund for assisting people in difficult situations. That fund is now getting low and there are ongoing needs. If you are able to assist in replenishing the fund please put your contribution in the offering and designate it for the Community Aid Fund.

***New phone numbers for Michelle McKinnell and Karl Martens:**

Michelle: 306-716-2155 (forever 21!)

Karl: 306-716-7855 (born in 78!) No home phone number.

*“An evening of Acoustic Tunes and Sundaes Treats” featuring Anna Eileen Bigland-Pritchard. Saturday, July 20, 7:00 pm at St. Stephen’s church, #10 Grosvenor Cres., Saskatoon. \$7/advance; \$10/door.

***Sat, August 24: The Fourth Annual Spruce River Folk Festival,**

located at the Spruce River Farm, 20km North of PA on HWY 2.

This year's folk fest will feature live music from Ryan & Sandra, O’Kraut, Karen Blackwell Jones, Constant Reminder, Jake Felix, & the Saskatunes. There will also be a Round Dance, Fish Fry, Story-telling of Landless Bands and a silent auction. Gates open at 11am, Storytelling at 11:30, Music at 1. \$10/person, \$20/family. Sponsored by MCC Sask and Grace Mennonite Church, PA. If you would like to donate an item to the silent auction or learn more, contact Ryan @ 306 764-4342 or Leonard @306 665-2555.

***Service Opportunity Fall 2013 -The Mennonite Voluntary Service** unit in Edmonton has a service opening **with L'Arche**. L'Arche ensures the physical, emotional, spiritual, vocational, recreational, health and safety needs of the members with disabilities while maximizing their choices and participation in the decisions affecting their lives. You would be working with a team to facilitate programs and activities for the developmentally disabled. If you have a heart for working with people with disabilities, this is a tremendous opportunity to live in community and serve others. For more information, contact Holyrood Mennonite's MVS Committee at scott.key@kingsu.ca

***ALBERTA FLOODS:** MDS is active in Southern Alberta helping to muck out flooded homes. We have teams in Medicine Hat, High River, and some in Calgary. Day by day more home owners have been allowed to go home, and they are now facing the destruction and loss head on. Volunteers are much needed immediately. Limited RV parking and some accommodation may be available for volunteers. Call the Alberta Volunteer Coordinator to volunteer at 587-216-6169 or the Winnipeg office at 866-261-1274. Donations can be sent to the Winnipeg office 6A-1325 Markham Rd, Winnipeg, MB R3T 4J6



It's been a busy and tragic couple of weeks. The death toll continues to rise as a result of a devastating train explosion in [Lac-Mégantic](#), Quebec. [Flood victims in southern Alberta struggle](#) to re-build. Toronto experiences [record rains](#). The Idle No More movement begun by First Nations in Canada launch the [Sovereignty Summer](#) campaign across North America to draw government attention to unresolved treaties. Society's [dependency on oil](#) continues to divide people. Throughout all these stories lies the common thread of people in positions of leadership and influence who face difficult decisions, victims who feel completely helpless, and those who feel overwhelmed and too paralyzed by it all to act. May the God who desires wholeness for all creation be present with the powerful as well as the powerless, and may the church be present to express God's desires for all.

MCC News: *New Youth study: Claiming Faith* (www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/2071) is a new curriculum to help youth and anyone understand more about Mennonite faith from Confession of Faith in a Mennonite Perspective. Includes video clips, leader and participant guides.

New Bible Study for Women: Courageous Women of the Bible (www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/2072), a new Bible study by Linda Peachy Gehman, commissioned by Mennonite Women USA and Mennonite Women Canada. Learn about Hagar; Hebrew midwives who defied Pharaoh; and other women who showed courage.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Luke 10:25-37 The Parable of the Good Samaritan

25 Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' 26 He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' 27 He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.' 28 And he said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.'

29 But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' 30 Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead.' 31 Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. 32 So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. 33 But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. 34 He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. 35 The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' 36 Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' 37 He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'

