

***MCC Connects** – Thank you for your generous response at the MCC Relief Sale and Auction on June 14 and 15. Your donations, purchases and volunteer work raised just over \$100,000 for disaster relief, sustainable community development, and justice and peace building worldwide. The highlighted auction item of a 1967 VW sold for \$9100. Many will experience hope because of your generosity. Thank you!

***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).

***Spots available for MDS Family Project at Camp Evergreen, Alberta.** The MDS Family Project for families with children of all ages still has openings for the weeks of July 21-26 and August 11-16. Assist Camp Evergreen to build new cabins. Contact MDS at 1-866-261-1274 or epetersrojas@mds.mennonite.net for more information and to register.

Worship Leader: Lyle Stucky
 Song Leader: Ben Buhler
 Accompanist: Diana Buhler
 This Sunday Nursery care: Sarah Guenther
 Next Sunday: No Nursery care during summer months.
 Sound: Chris Buhler
 Ushers: Russ Friesen, Cornie Guenther

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OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan
 A Welcoming Christian
 Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
 June 30, 2013

Prelude
 Welcome and Announcements
 Our Story: Norman Chura

GATHERING

Call to worship

Invocation

***Hymns: Blue/HWB #102 “To God be the glory”**
Blue/HWB #359 “Lead us, O Father”

Sharing time
 Discipline of Silence and Prayer of the church

LISTENING

Children’s Time Kathryn Janzen

Hymn: Green/SJ #94 “Blest are they”

Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 16
 Gospel Lesson: Galatians 5:1, 13-15

Offering and Offertory music
 Offertory prayer

***Hymns: Blue/HWB #303 “Come, gracious Spirit**

Sermon Karl Martens
 “You show me the path of life”

RESPONDING

***Hymn: Blue/HWB #487** “Teach me, O Lord”

*Benediction

**Please rise*

We welcome all who are worshiping with us today.

To all our visitors: WELCOME. We are delighted that you are worshiping 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

*For the months of July and August, Adeline will be in the church office one morning a week, usually on Friday mornings.

*Norman Chura arrived in Osler from Bolivia in August, 2012 as part of the MCC International Visitor Exchange Program. He has been working at Floating Gardens. While he has been in Canada he has taken advantage of the opportunity to improve his English and has taken ESL classes in Warman on a weekly basis. In order for this to happen a number of individuals from the church have provided Norman with rides to Warman two times a week. Mission & Service Committee would like to thank the individuals who provided rides for Norman. Norman will be returning to Bolivia at the end of July to continue with his studies in engineering. It has been a pleasure for us to get to know Norman and we wish him all the best.

***Congratulations** to Dick and Tena Friesen, who celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on June 28, 2013.

***Congratulations** to Kyla Boldt who graduated from RJC last Sunday, and to Courtney Klassen and Jason Neudorf-Boldt on their Grade 12 graduation from Warman High School this past week.

*The summer **Church Yard Maintenance Schedules** are posted on the bulletin board. Art Z. & Loyd S. are signed up for the coming week (ending Sunday, July 7th) for mowing grass, and Jennifer and Mackenzie Rowan for the church center flower beds. Thank you!

***VBS is 3 weeks away** and OMC will be inviting all local children from age 4 to those going into Grade 6, to come to our church for VBS the week of July 22- 26. (9-11:30am - Mon to Fri). This year’s theme is “*Breathe it in – God gives Life*”. While the MCSask VBS Troupe will prepare and lead all the activities, **we need to provide 3 helpers** daily to assist them, plus **someone to be in charge of snack time**. We also need volunteers to provide snacks for the kids and lunches for the troupe members. There are 3 **Sign up Sheets on the bulletin board** (one for helpers, one for kids’ snacks and one for troupe lunches) Can you help? Make this a rewarding week for the kids and for you! **Whether you can volunteer for all week, or just for one day or three; all help is welcome. Please sign up today!** *If you have any questions, please speak to Shelley P. or Adeline C.*

*If you would be willing to volunteer your time to **teach the Pre K-Kindergarten Sunday School class** next year, either fulltime, or in a shared capacity, please contact John Reddekopp. Also, there will be opportunities to teach one or more Sunday School rotations with the Grade 1 to 5 students next year, starting in September. Please add your name to the Sign-up sheet on the bulletin board to help.

***Nursery supervision** will take a break for the summer, and a new schedule will be prepared soon for September –December. If you would like to be added to the schedule and help with the nursery this fall, please contact the church office. Typically, a volunteer will supervise in the nursery once or twice in a 4 month period.

*MC Sask continues to bring Vacation Bible School to communities across Saskatchewan. The **VBS Troupe for 2013** consists of Aaron Bueckert (Leader), Laura Buhler, and Kathleen Regier. VBS is an important ministry and we are looking forward to another good year. Please consider making a **donation** toward this important project which brings the message of Jesus Christ to children in a summer learning environment. Send cheques to MC Sask, designated "VBS Troupe."

***Shekinah Retreat Centre is looking for volunteers** for the Summer Camp Program. If you can volunteer as a cook or a Bible leader, we would love to have you! Please let Shekinah know by calling the office or emailing. We are looking for volunteers (both bible leaders and cooks) for specifically the weeks of July 14-19, August 4-9 (Jr. Teen's camps), and August 19-22 (Family camp). If those weeks don't work for you, and you would still like to help, call the office and we can make things work! If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Katie in the Office (306-954-4929 or office@shekinahretreatcentre.org).



Prayer Requests:

Please pray for and with the Church: The massive flooding in Calgary and other parts of Alberta raises concerns not only for Mennonite congregations in the area, but for all of those within their circles of care and beyond.

Foothills Mennonite Church reports that they and First Mennonite Church Calgary are some distance from the river and unaware of any members whose homes have been affected, although some people were unable to go to work today in the flooded downtown area. So far 10 families from Trinity Mennonite Church have been evacuated and they have found places to stay.

Please pray for God's grace and shalom to be revealed through helping hands, open arms and a prevailing spirit of hospitality and care. May adequate resources be found to meet immediate needs, and hope rise to the challenge of more long term concerns.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Psalm 16

- ¹ Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.
- ² I say to the Lord, 'You are my Lord;
I have no good apart from you.'
- ³ As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble,
in whom is all my delight.
- ⁴ Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows;
their drink-offerings of blood I will not pour out
or take their names upon my lips.
- ⁵ The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup;
you hold my lot.
- ⁶ The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;
I have a goodly heritage.
- ⁷ I bless the Lord who gives me counsel;
in the night also my heart instructs me.
- ⁸ I keep the Lord always before me;
because the Lord is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.
- ⁹ Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices;
my body also rests secure.
- ¹⁰ For you do not give me up to Sheol,
or let your faithful one see the Pit.
- ¹¹ You show me the path of life.
In your presence there is fullness of joy;
in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

Galatians 5:1, 13-15

¹For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

¹³For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. ¹⁴For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' ¹⁵If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.