

**\*MCC Connects** – Build bridges of understanding through service as MCC English teachers in the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea. This is a short term opportunity for two 3.5 month terms of teaching English in middle school in the capital city. Visit [serve.mcc.org/positions/englishteachers](http://serve.mcc.org/positions/englishteachers) or call Dorothy @ 306-665-2555.

\*MCSask Ministries Commission invites you to join the ***Touring Mission Fest 2013*** on Saturday April 27, 2013. The Tour this year will take you to Wildwood in Saskatoon, North Star in Drake (with input from/about Bethany Mennonite in Watrous and Sharon Mennonite in Guernsey) and Nutana Park in Saskatoon. The cost will be \$50.00 per person and will include the Bus Fare as well as all full-course meals. Registration forms and further information will be posted on the bulletin board and is available online. [www.mcsask.ca](http://www.mcsask.ca)

**\*A Buncha Guys Spring Concert** - Saturday, April 13th at 7:30 at Mayfair United Church, Saskatoon. An offering will be taken to support MCC's work in Syria. Tickets (\$5.00) are available at McNally Robinson, MCC Office - 600-45th ST W, Russ Regier (249-3650) any of the guys or at the door.

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Worship Leader: Sarah Buhler  
Song Leader: Kevin Boldt  
Accompanists: Melanie Boldt  
This Sunday Nursery care: Jan Guenther  
Next Sunday Nursery care: Jennifer Rowan  
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Ushers: Anna Peters, Karl Martens

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## OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan  
A Welcoming Christian  
Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service  
March 24, 2013

***Lent Six – Palm/Passion Sunday  
Ashamed No More – The Blessed One Comes  
in the Name of the Lord***

Prelude  
Welcome and Announcements

### GATHERING

Chiming to Worship/Silent Reflection  
**Hymn: Blue/HWB #238 “Hosanna, loud hosanna”**  
Procession of the Palms

### **Call to Worship**

One: Lord, we worship you because you are good!  
**All: You teach us to sustain the weary with a word.**  
One: The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief  
cornerstone.  
**All: This is the Lord’s doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.**  
One: Lord, we give you thanks, for your love is never ending.  
**All: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!**

### Invocation

**\*Hymn: Blue/HWB #285 “All hail the power of Jesus’ name”**

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

### LISTENING

Children’s Time

Adeline Cox

**Hymn: Blue/HWB#530**      “What wondrous love is this”

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 50:4-9a

Gospel lesson: Luke 19:28-40.

Offering and Offertory music

Offertory prayer

**Hymn: Purple/SS #71**      “Gentle God, when we are driven”

Sermon      “Dealing with Adversaries”      Gordon Allaby

COMMUNION

**Confession (in unison):**

**Awesome God, we take pride in our accomplishments, thinking we have achieved them by our own authority and power. Teach us to know the source of true authority, what obedience looks like, and why it is worth the cost. As people who falter, we wait blindly, impatiently, for signs of your activity, wondering if you act or care; Forgive us.**

**Assurance:** Because of my great love for you I look on your shame through Jesus, I took on the form of a slave, was obedient to the point of death and am now exalted, all because of love – for you.

**\*Hymn: Purple/SS#80**      “Jesus walked this lonesome valley”

\*Benediction

**\*Please rise**

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**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.

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**TODAY**

- **Beverages and snacks** available after the worship service.
- **Sunday School for all ages** begins at 11:15am and **Choir Practice** in the Sanctuary
- **Floor hockey** at 7:00pm

**THIS WEEK**

- **Maundy Thursday, March 28, 7:00pm** – Potluck supper and Communion
- **Friday, March 22, 7:30pm** – Good Friday Worship service
- **Next Sunday, March 31 – Easter Service** – No Sunday School – **Potluck brunch after the Worship Service**, followed by a children’s **Easter Egg Hunt**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

\***Choir practice today** during Sunday School time -in preparation to sing a couple songs during the Good Friday service and two songs on Easter Sunday.

\***Holy Week at OMC:**

\***Maundy Thursday**, March 28, 7:00pm: Potluck supper and Communion

\***Good Friday:** Worship service at 7:30 pm

\***Bring a bell** to ring during the Easter Sunday Worship service.

Note: There will be no Sunday School on Easter Sunday. There will be a **Potluck Brunch** after the worship service (fruit, bread, finger food), followed by an **Easter egg hunt** for the children.

\***Easter Lilies:** again this year, the worship committee invites you to pre-order a lily for Easter. **Please sign up today** on the bulletin board. The lilies are \$15 each. We will use the lilies during the Easter worship service, and then it's yours to take home.

\*Saturday, April 6, 7:30pm – **Youth Games Night** at the church.

\*Two members of our congregation have been recognized for service with the presentation of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal. Jim Dyck was nominated by the Canola Council of Canada for over 25 years of dedication to quality assurance. His medal was presented at his retirement supper in Saskatoon near the end of February. Ben Buhler was nominated by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities for his service to our municipality, first as a council member and more recently as Mayor, as well as his roll on the SUMA Board of Directors. Ben was presented with his medal at the Town of Osler Community Information Night on March 18th. **Congratulations** to these two very deserving individuals.

\***Meals:** A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board and the deacons invite everyone to participate by signing up and preparing one meal a week for John and Rhonda and Jem Gascho. If you have any questions, please speak to one of the deacons.

\*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. Our youth need to raise an additional **\$2000.00** 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, Thanks!

\***April 6 - Shekinah Fundraising Banquet and Silent Auction** - Mount Royal Mennonite Church, Saskatoon. Doors open at 6:00pm, Dinner at 6:30pm and Entertainment to follow at 7:30pm. Please call the Shekinah office at 306-945-4929 to indicate the number of people dining in your party. Banquet tickets are \$20 and can be paid at the door.

\***Spend-A-Day at RJC**, April 19-20, 2013: All students, grades 8-10, are invited to **Spend-A-Day** at the RJC campus. This will be an opportunity for students to get a glimpse of what it is like to be a student here. After registration you will be invited to sit in some classes, eat in the dining hall, join in fun activities and spend the night in the dorms. On Saturday your family is invited for brunch and an informal information session in the dining hall. Any student that would like to attend this event needs to **register by April 8th**, as space is limited. **Admission is free!** Registration forms are available at [www.rjc.sk.ca](http://www.rjc.sk.ca) or by email from [val@rjc.sk.ca](mailto:val@rjc.sk.ca)

\***Volunteering Opportunities!** Come be engaged by some of the burning issues of our society. The Micah Mission is a prison ministry supported by Mennonite Church Saskatchewan. Ex-offenders in the corrections system, and those recently released, are in need of volunteers to support their reintegration into society. Volunteering is done through visiting both within institutions and participation in support groups in the community. Both men and women are needed. Training is provided. Please contact Dave Feick at [micahcoordinator@gmail.com](mailto:micahcoordinator@gmail.com) for more information.

#### \***News from Shekinah....**

1. Campers, have you registered for camp yet? On-line registration & on-paper registration are both ready to welcome you:) Remember, you get \$20 off your registration fee if you pay in full before May 1, 2013! Yay!
2. NEW for 2013: Family Camp! Come and experience the life of camp...as a family. Registrations can be found on our website ([www.shekinahretreatcentre.org](http://www.shekinahretreatcentre.org))...call if you have questions and then get ready to come to camp!
3. Summer IS coming! So, as you start planning ahead....have you considered coming to volunteer for a week at Shekinah? We're looking for cooks/kitchen help and Bible leaders....and we'd love to hear from you (and have you here with us)!

## From Mennonite Church Canada:

\*Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord! On this Palm Sunday, thank God for the vitality of Christians around the globe. Thank you for supporting MC Canada relationships with churches in Europe, Asia, the Middle East, Africa, South America and Mexico.

## TODAY'S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

**Isaiah 50:4-9a** <sup>4</sup> The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens — wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. <sup>5</sup> The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards. <sup>6</sup> I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. <sup>7</sup> The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; <sup>8</sup> the Lord God who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. <sup>9</sup> It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

**Luke 19:28-40** <sup>28</sup> After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. <sup>29</sup> When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, <sup>30</sup>saying, ‘Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. <sup>31</sup>If anyone asks you, “Why are you untying it?” just say this: “The Lord needs it.” ’ <sup>32</sup>So those who were

sent departed and found it as he had told them. <sup>33</sup>As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, ‘Why are you untying the colt?’ <sup>34</sup>They said, ‘The Lord needs it.’ <sup>35</sup>Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. <sup>36</sup>As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. <sup>37</sup>As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, <sup>38</sup>saying, ‘Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!’ <sup>39</sup>Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, ‘Teacher, order your disciples to stop.’ <sup>40</sup>He answered, ‘I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.’

**Philippians 2:5-11** <sup>5</sup>Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, <sup>7</sup> but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, <sup>8</sup> he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup> Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup> so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.