

***MCC Connects:** Ambassadors of reconciliation - MCC encourages congregations to observe our identity as peace churches and offer a witness against war and violence. At this time of year when our country commemorates those who fought for Canada, we are reminded that God calls us to be people of peace. God reconciles us to himself and also charges us with a ministry of reconciliation. Visit mcccanda.ca/peace/peacesunday.

***RJC Corporation AGM, November 16, 2013.** Rosthern Junior College Annual General Meeting will be held in the RJC Chapel at **5:00 pm** on Saturday, November 16th. All supporters of the school are encouraged to attend. Report booklets will be available Nov. 1.

***RJC Annual Fundraising and Appreciation Banquet,** Nov. 16 at 6:00 pm. Come hear what exciting things are happening at RJC, and support the mission of the school. Guest speaker is **Susan Schultz Huxman**, President of Conrad Grebel University College in Waterloo, ON. The evening includes music, a silent auction, and an offering will be taken for the programming of RJC. To reserve your complimentary tickets call 306.232.4222 or mail office@rjc.sk.ca by November 7th, so that we can prepare for the numbers expected.

Worship Leader: Gordon Allaby
 Song Leader: Loretta Sawatzky
 Accompanist: Naomi Schellenberg
 Scripture reader: Adam Boldt
 This week's Nursery Care: Shelley Penner
 Next week's Nursery Care: Sarah Guenther and Kat Allaby
 Sound: Abe Braun
 Ushers: Russ Friesen, Cornie Guenther



OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan
 A Welcoming Christian
 Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
 November 3, 2013

Prelude
 Welcome & Announcements
 Our Story

George Janzen

GATHERING

Call to Worship

One: We follow Christ

Many: who says, "Take up your cross"

One: We follow Christ

Many: who bids us come and die.

One: We follow Christ

Many: who summons us to new life.

All: *The One who calls is faithful and will keep us.*

Invocation: Green/SJ # 156 (in Unison)

***Hymns: Blue/HWB #19 "Open now thy gates of beauty"**
Green/SJ #97 "The Lord is my light"

Sharing

Discipline of silence and Prayer of the Church

LISTENING

Children's Time

Lacey Braun

Hymn: "Great Big God"

Offering and Offertory music
 Offertory Prayer

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Old Testament Lesson: Esther 4:11-17

Hymn: Blue/HWB #576 "If you but trust in God"

Message: "For Such a Time as this" Willard Metzger

RESPONDING

***Hymn: Blue/HWB #546 "Guide my feet"**

*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.
- **Potluck lunch** at Noon today
- **Baby Shower** for Novinya D. following potluck
- **Floor hockey** begins tonight at 7:00pm.

THIS WEEK

- **Thursday, November 7, 7:30pm – Church Council** meeting.
- **Sunday, Nov. 10 – Peace Sunday**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Everyone is invited to stay for the **Potluck** lunch at noon today, following Sunday School. After the Potluck, there will be a **baby shower** for our newest addition: Novinya, daughter of Erica and Robin Doucette, granddaughter of Russ and Lucy Friesen.

*Please consider signing up to take a turn at **the Gathering Place**. While **snack providers** are needed for Sunday School and Gathering coffee time, we also need people willing to **make coffee and clean up** after. An easy "What to Do" instruction sheet is available!

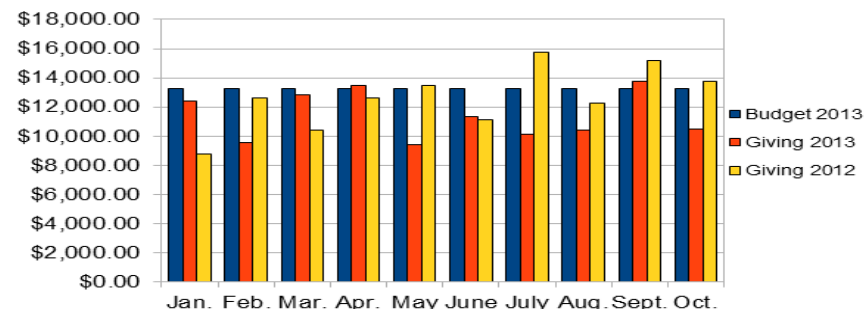
*LADIES: The deacons sponsored **annual OMC Ladies Luncheon** is being planned for **Saturday, November 30th** with details still being worked out. Watch for details and the bulletin board Sign-up sheet next Sunday and meanwhile, save the date in your calendar!

***OMC book club** will meet on Monday, November 4 at 7:00 pm

*Wednesday, November 6 at 12:15 pm at (HMCS Unicorn - 405 24th St East) Gina and Jefferson will receive Canadian Citizenship. You are invited.

***"Heart to Heart"** Ladies group will meet on Tuesday, Nov. 12th at 7:30 pm. All ladies are welcome!

***General fund receipts for October** were \$10,476.80 bringing the total for 2013 to \$113,682.74. This is 71.5% of our 2013 budget after 83.3% of the year has passed. Thank you for your continuing support of our church's ministry.



*A new listing of Books available for sale from the Mennonite Historical Society of Sask. is now posted on the bulletin board, as well as the October 30 MHSS E-newsletter.

***Mennonite Community Orchestra, Nov. 17 @ 3:00 PM in the CMU Chapel** - Enjoy an afternoon of orchestral music including *Haydn Symphony 101* with **guest musicians Anna Bigland-Prichard** (soprano), Matthew Baron (baritone), and Rachel Enns (violin). Tickets available in advance or at the door: \$10 adult / \$5 student / 12 and under free. cbraun@cmu.ca

*The Hispanic congregations from Massey Place Community and Mount Royal Mennonite Churches invite you to an **evening of song and storytelling** on Sunday, **November 3** at 7:00pm at Massey Place Community Church, 920 Northumberland Avenue, Saskatoon. Kim Thiessen and Darryl Neustaedter Baerg will perform songs from their new album, "Even in the Smallest Places", recorded with partners in Guatemala and El Salvador. CD's will be available for \$20. All proceeds from the evening support MCC's Generations Program. Dessert and coffee to follow the program.

***Nov. 8 & 9: MHSS Book promotion and Peace Stories Event** at Bethany Manor. **Fri., Nov. 8, 7:30pm Book promo** for Maureen Klassen's Memoir: "It Happened in Moscow". **Saturday, Nov. 9, 9:30am** –Hear 4 Stories of Peace at Mount Royal Mennonite Church. Speakers include David Neufeld, Wilmer and Barb Froese, Don Regier & our Sarah Buhler. See the bulletin board poster for more.

***MCC Relief Sale and Auction Committee** invites you to an evening with **Leland Klassen, Canada's premier clean comedian** on November 14, 2013, 7:00pm, Lakeview Church, Saskatoon. All proceeds help offset MCC's annual Relief Sale expenses. Tickets: \$15.00, available at McNally Robinson, Scott Parables, all volunteer committee members and the MCC office – 600-45th St W Saskatoon. Details found at: mccsk.ca or call 306-665-2555 or Armin & Edith at 306-384-1206

***Friday, Nov. 15**, 11am luncheon with guest speaker, **Canadian Foodgrains Bank executive director, Jim Cornelius** will be speaking at Osler Community Church. RSVP to Dave Meier: 306-921-6313 or d.emeier@sasktel.net. See the bulletin board for details of a second supper CFGB event at Weyburn Sat. Nov. 16th, 6pm.

*The **MDS Annual Fundraiser Banquet** will be held at Cornerstone Mennonite Church on **Nov. 16**. Come and hear the stories of MDS at work this year! Cost is by donation, but please reserve your seats by contacting Ida Buhler at 306-253-4604 at ibuhlermds@gmail.com.

***Mennonite Disaster Service Fundraising Banquet on Sat., Nov. 16, 2013** to celebrate the work of MDS volunteers in Canada and the USA. The supper and program, with speaker Janet Plenert, MDS Director of Canadian Operations, begins at 6 pm at the Cornerstone Mennonite Church, Saskatoon. Cost is by donation - to reserve a seat call Ida Buhler at 306-253-4604 or ibuhlermds@gmail.com

***Mennonite Disaster Service Workshop** on "Investigating Disasters." Learn how to respond to disasters with MDS resource people Janet Plenert, Director of MDS Canadian Operations, and Jeff Koller, Disaster Response Coordinator (West USA). This workshop takes place on **Sat., Nov. 16** at 1 pm at Cornerstone Mennonite Church, 315 Lenore St, Saskatoon. No registration required.

***Youth Extravaganza** – A province-wide night of games & Bible study @ Mount Royal Mennonite Church, **Saturday, Nov. 16** at 7:00 pm. Youth grades 7-12 are invited, and are encouraged to bring friends, it's gonna be a fun night! For more details on how to get your youth or youth group involved email/call Kirsten at the MC Sask office (youthminister@mcsask.ca, 306- 249- 4844) or check out the SMYO Facebook and Twitter pages ([#MennoMayhem](https://www.facebook.com/SMYO)).

*Everyone is invited to a **"Classical Music Concert"** at Nutana Park Mennonite Church on **November 17** at 2:30 pm. Refreshments and fellowship will follow – there will be an offering for RJC.

***Saturday, Nov. 23:** 10am – 4pm **Bethany Manor Craft Sale and Tea** – Come for lunch, great shopping and door prizes.

***MEDA supper event Nov.19th**. Wally Kroeker, Director of publications and editor of MEDA's *The marketplace magazine* will be the keynote speaker. He will share MEDA's history as it celebrates 60 years of innovative, sustainable, business solutions to poverty around the world. 1953 – 2013. Bethany Manor Fellowship Centre. Cost \$22.00. RSVP by Nov. 15th to the Bethany office @ 306-242-9019 or email smcsi@sasktel.net



Please pray for and with the church: Along the Road to Freedom is an exhibit of 26 paintings honouring Mennonite mothers who brought their children to safety in Canada from Russia. Pray that this collection by artist Ray Dirks, Mennonite Heritage Centre Gallery Curator, will travel safely across the country in 2014 and beyond, and inspire others to serve God unreservedly.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Esther 4:11-17

¹¹‘All the king’s servants and the people of the king’s provinces know that if any man or woman goes to the king inside the inner court without being called, there is but one law—all alike are to be put to death. Only if the king holds out the golden sceptre to someone, may that person live. I myself have not been called to come in to the king for thirty days.’ ¹²When they told Mordecai what Esther had said, ¹³Mordecai told them to reply to Esther, ‘Do not think that in the king’s palace you will escape any more than all the other Jews. ¹⁴For if you keep silence at such a time as this, relief and deliverance will rise for the Jews from another quarter, but you and your father’s family will perish. Who knows? Perhaps you have come to royal dignity for just such a time as this.’ ¹⁵Then Esther said in reply to Mordecai, ¹⁶‘Go, gather all the Jews to be found in Susa, and hold a fast on my behalf, and neither eat nor drink for three days, night or day. I and my maids will also fast as you do. After that I will go to the king, though it is against the law; and if I perish, I perish.’ ¹⁷Mordecai then went away and did everything as Esther had ordered him.