

***MCC Connects:** Kim Thiessen's newest CD, "Even in the Smallest Places" will be available on November 4th at the MCC Saskatchewan office for \$20. All proceeds towards MCC's Generations Program, which provides direct health support to people living with HIV and AIDs. Call 306-665-2555 to reserve your order.

***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: George Janzen
Song Leader: Loretta Sawatzky
Accompanist: Naomi Schellenberg
This week's Nursery Care: Adeline Cox
Next week's Nursery Care: Diana Buhler
Sound: Chris Buhler
Ushers: Steve Rowan, Susan Braun

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OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan
A Welcoming Christian
Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
October 20, 2013

World Food Sunday

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Our Story

Kathy and Dick Braun

GATHERING

Responsive Call to Worship (based on Psalm 8, Genesis 1)

One: "O Lord, our Lord, the majesty of your name fills the earth! Your glory is higher than the heavens." We gather to praise you! "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth...."

Many: "O Lord, our Lord, the majesty of your name fills the earth! Your glory is higher than the heavens." We gather to celebrate you! "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth... And God saw that is was good...." We gather to celebrate our God.

One: "O Lord, our Lord, the majesty of your name fills the earth! Your glory is higher than the heavens." We gather to worship you! "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth..."

Many: And God saw that is was very good...." We gather to worship our God! All praise, honour, majesty and power belongs to our Creating God! Amen.

Invocation

***Hymns:** Blue/HWB # 46 "I sing the mighty power of God"
Blue/HWB #48 "All creatures of our God and King"

Sharing
Discipline of silence and Prayer of the Church

LISTENING

Children's Time Adeline Cox

Hymn: Blue/HWB #154 "This is my Father's world"

The Earth Wilf Buhler

Prayer of Confession (See insert)

Offering and Offertory music
Offertory Prayer

Reader's Theatre

Affirming Faith (See insert)

Hymn: Green/SJ #24 "Creation is a song"

The Hope Gordon Allaby

RESPONDING

Prayer of Commitment (see Insert)

***Hymn: Blue/HWB #648 "Morning has broken"**

*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.

***Worship Material today is from Canadian Foodgrains Bank**

***TODAY**

- **Beverages and snacks** available after the worship service.
- **Sunday School for all ages** begins at 11:15am.

THIS WEEK

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- **Wednesday, October 23, 7:30pm – Worship**
Committee meeting
- **Thursday, October 24, 7:30pm – Missions and Service**
Committee meeting
- **Sunday, Oct. 27, 7:00pm – Floor hockey resumes**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*George and Lynette are leading worship at Rosthern Mennonite nursing home, today.

*The **Tree of Thanksgiving** in the sanctuary was created by the preschool Sunday School class.

*Floor hockey will resume next Sunday evening, October 27th.

***Birth announcement:** Lucas David Klassen was born to Curtis and Amy Klassen on Sunday, Oct. 13. weighing 9 lbs. 2 oz. Congratulations to Curtis, Amy, our happy great- grandparents Bill and Ann Peters & grandparents Dave Klassen and Karen (Kel) Jantz.

Mennonite Central Committee Saskatchewan (MCCS) Encounter & AGM: *FOOD and the theology of ENOUGH
Saturday, Nov. 2, 2013 from 8:30 - 4:00, featuring worship, music, MCCS information, storytelling by Abe Janzen (Executive Director of MCC AB), workshops, Skype with MCC service workers, special guests Kim Thiessen and Darryl Neustaedter Baerg!
Annual reports and financial information available at <http://mccsk.ca/2013-mccs-encounter-agm> A poster and registration forms are on the bulletin board. Register on or before Oct. 28 to ensure a lunch meal. **Consider serving as one of 6 delegates for our church / please speak to Christy Martens-Funk.**



***Pray for and with the church:** Mennonite Church Canada's Church Engagement Council meets from Oct. 24-25. Pray for vision and wisdom, and praise God for the participation of new members: Harold Peters Fransen (Manitoba); Artur Bergen (B.C.); and Craig Neufeld (Saskatchewan).

Ministry Note for Sunday, Oct. 20: (ministry notes are one way in which national church leadership and staff say "Thank you" for your help in ministering across the street and around the world, and let you know what your financial support means):

Celebrate the reach of Mennonite Church Canada workers in the Philippines, Darnell Barkman and Daniel Pantoja! Darnell was invited to join an Integral Mission peace training team that will connect with all 650 Conservative Baptist congregations in the country. Daniel was asked to write a letter to Philippines' President Benigno Aquino III on behalf of The Philippines Council of Evangelical Churches, encouraging ethics and honesty in politics. Thank you supporting these workers in their ministries.

News and Announcements for Sunday Oct. 20:

In case you missed it: Giving thanks for the church at Thanksgiving is a new video from Mennonite Church Canada available at www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/2166. Thanks to your congregation for supporting the ministry of your national church!

***CMU: Campus Visit Day / October 25 / 8:45 - 3:00 PM**
500 Shaftesbury Blvd -Know a high school student investigating universities? Invite them to attend CMU Campus Visit Day **October 25**. CMU has small classes and a welcoming, dynamic community. October 25 will include scheduled, organized activities. Travel assistance is available. For more details visit cmu.ca or email info@cmu.ca to register

***October 31:** Our church will again be serving hot chocolate at Dick and Kathy Braun's place for people out that evening.

***November 3rd – Potluck Sunday.** Willard Metzger of Mennonite Church Canada will be speaking in our church.

***The Worship Committee is planning a Yearend Celebration and Worship Service** to be held December 29th. If you have pictures of 2013 church activities, please share by sending to the church office.

***RJC Kielke & Sausage Supper Fundraiser-Monday, Oct. 21st** at **Bethany Manor**. There will be two sittings for supper - the first seating at 4:30pm for Bethany residents and family/guests, and the second seating at 6:00pm for everyone! Admission by donation, and the RJC Chorale will be performing. Everyone is welcome. Please RSVP to val@rjc.sk.ca or call 306-232-4222. *If you are interested in helping with this event, please contact Valerie White or the RJC Office (val@rjc.sk.ca or office@rjc.sk.ca).*

***Tuesday, October 22, 6 p.m.** Everyone is invited to the next **Feast-and-Share**, hosted by Augustana Lutheran Church (corner of Broadway and 7th Street East). Meet, see and hear special guest, **Laryn Oakes**, an Oskayak High School student with a passion for her indigenous traditions and for the education, growth and development of First Nations people. She speaks out to raise awareness of missing and murdered aboriginal women and to encourage her peers to stay in school and become the new generation of role-models and leaders. Laryn has also won honors as an accomplished traditional pow-wow dancer. (You can see her perform at the biggest pow-wow in the world in New Mexico by going to this site:<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kwkY48htBb4>) The Feast will be a **barbecue supper** provided by Saskatoon Native Ministries and served by youth and others from Redeemer Lutheran Church. To arrange rides, speak to John Gascho. **Youth are especially welcome and encouraged to come and meet Laryn.**

*An **address change** for Chris and Olivia Cox is posted on the bulletin board – They have now moved to Whitehorse, Yukon.

* It's not too late! **Equipping Day** is on October 26 at Rosthern Mennonite Church. Check out the workshops and schedule at www.mcsask.ca or on your bulletin board and send in your registrations or call the office at 306-249-4844 to register

*Nov 5-7 – Prairie Centre for Ecumenism presents “Healing Gifts for Wounded Hands” **workshops** for the public and clergy. See the bulletin board poster for information.

***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

*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 ibuhlermids@gmail.com.

***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

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

John 1:1-5

¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was in the beginning with God. ³All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being ⁴in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. ⁵The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

Prayer of Thanksgiving for Creation – as prayer of the church

Lord you give life to life!

From Day One, your Spirit brooding over the deep,
your wind rushing, your breath filling.
As creatures of the earth, we inhale your grace,
rejoicing in life abundant.

We use our breath, our being to raise this hymn of praise:
Hallelujah to the sun's hot passion embracing the ground's great
shoulders!

Hallelujahs for the growth from seed to plant greening the earth; its
fruit—beauty and food!

Hallelujahs for generations of life tumbling one after another,
life creeping, swimming, flying, running, below, above, upon, within.
All the world sings, calls, signals, speaks praise to God whose glory
grows in all that breathes!

Fill us, enliven us to be ambassadors of life divine, breathing out
your song in harmony, singing to our Creator, whose Holy Spirit is
unending, ageless, eternal and ever new.

Prayer of Confession

Forgive us, God; that we have taken your creation for granted.
You have given us the run of the land, the pick of the crop
and we have squandered these resources; distributed these unfairly,
vandalized their beauty, violated their purity.

Forgive us, God; that we have taken your kingdom for granted.
You have given us the seeds of faith, the fruits of the spirit, and we
have misused these resources; displayed them rarely, bestowed them
grudgingly, ignored them blithely.

Thank you, God, that you are stronger than our destructiveness and
greater than our meanness, that you give us a fresh start, a second
chance. Overwhelm us with the power of your resurrected love.
Compel us with the challenge you issue for change. Lead us in the
conquest of our own limits and restrictions. Drive us towards a new
life of peace, justice and integrity.
Amen.

Affirmation of Faith

We believe that God creates all things, renews all things, and
celebrates all things.

We believe Earth is a sanctuary, a sacred planet filled with God's
presence, a home for us to share with our kin.

We believe that God became flesh and blood, became a part of Earth,
a human being called Jesus Christ, who lived and breathed and spoke
among us, suffered and died on a cross, for all human beings and for
all creation.

We believe that the risen Jesus is the Christ at the core of creation
reconciling all things to God, renewing all creation, and filling the
universe.

We believe the Spirit renews life in creation, groans in empathy with
a suffering creation, and waits with us for the rebirth of creation.

We believe that with Christ we will rise and with Christ we will
celebrate a new creation.

Prayer of Commitment

Architect of the Universe,
Your voice called out over the deep and darkness
and brought forth light.

Your voice called out over the waters
and brought forth life.

Your voice called out over this earth
and brought forth our very beings.

Your voice continues to call out in our Universe
and bring new hope and new life.

Help us to hear Your voice
above the hum of the highway
and the buzz of the business talk.

Help us to hear Your voice in the cries of children,
in the soft tones of the sick, in the pleas of the poor.

May we hear, listen, and respond to Your voice
in our lives and in our world.

In Your name we pray. Amen.

Benediction

May the blessing of God, Creator of heaven and Earth,
rest upon you and upon all that God has made;

May the Risen Christ Jesus transform your life and your vision,
so that you may live in reconciliation with all things; and

May the power of God's Holy Spirit
move over this whole Earth like the breath of Spring,
to renew the Earth and all its people,
so that all creation may join together
in praise to God's holy name!

Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever. Amen