

***MCC Connects:** MCCS supports Circles of Support and Accountability throughout the province. These groups of volunteers accompany individuals who have served a prison sentence as they re-enter society. If you would like to know more about these programs or feel led to volunteer, contact Heather Peters, MCCS Restorative Justice Coordinator, 306.665.2555.

*CMU invites you to **Fall Festival 2013**, happening **Friday, Sept. 27** and **Saturday, Sept. 28**. With something for everyone, fall Festival is a fun-filled weekend featuring opportunities to connect, learn, play, and celebrate with the CMU community. For details: www.cmu.ca/fallfest or call Joyce Friesen at 204-487-3300 ext. 604.

***CMU: The 2013 PIT** (Peace it Together) youth conference hosted by Canadian Mennonite University is fast approaching. PIT takes place this October 18 – 20, and will be one of the best yet. Come hear **Shane Claiborne**, come sing together, eat together, play together, and participate in Acts of Peace (new this year!). On Saturday afternoon, there will be opportunities for everyone to practice peacemaking. Visit the website, and the new PIT blog for more info, video and breaking news on this year's conference. www.cmu.ca/pit

Worship Leader: Wilf Buhler
Song Leader: Michelle McKinnell
Accompanist: Mark Bigland-Pritchard
This week's Nursery Care: Leslie Allaby
Next week's Nursery Care: Jennifer Rowan
Sound: Abe Braun
Ushers: Harold Loewen, Sarah Hiebert

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OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan
A Welcoming Christian
Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
September 22, 2013

Prelude
Welcome & Announcements
Our Story

Ernie Hildebrand

GATHERING

Call to Worship
Invocation

***Hymn: Blue/HWB #41 “Come, thou Almighty King”**

Pass the Peace
Lighting the Peace Lamp

Sharing
Discipline of silence and Prayer of the Church

LISTENING

Children's Time Jake Buhler

Hymn: Green/SJ #3 “Jesus calls us here to meet him”

Old Testament lesson: Jeremiah 8:18-9:1
Gospel lesson: Luke 16:1-13

Offering and Offertory music
Offertory Prayer

Hymn: Blue/HWB #627 “There is a balm in Gilead”

Sermon

“Object Subject”

Gordon Allaby

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RESPONDING

*Hymn: Blue/HWB #395 “Here I am, Lord”

*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.

THIS WEEK

- **Tuesday, September 24, 7:30pm** – Discipleship Group meeting
- **Thursday, September 26, 7:30pm** – Missions and Service Committee meeting
- **Thursday, September 26, 7:30pm** – Education Committee meeting

Remember in Prayer

Marge Braun, who fell and dislocated her shoulder and is now recovering at home.

Sincere condolences to Kathy Boldt and the Boldt family, grieving the sudden death of Kathy’s brother-in-law, John "Jack" Picketts on Sept. 13th, with the funeral in Asquith on Wed., Sept. 18th.

*The **discipleship group** is for those who seek to enhance their understanding and commitment to being a follower of Christ. All are welcome to be a part of this group. The next meeting is Tuesday, September 24 at 7:30 pm.

*Submissions for the **October OMC Newsletter** are welcome and should be in to the church office by Wednesday, September 25th.

***Our next Communion** will be on Sunday, October 6th.

*Volunteers are needed on an ongoing basis to take a turn **preparing coffee, setting out snacks and cleaning up** in the **Gathering Place**. Please keep the after-worship Coffee time going and sign up today to take a turn! The bulletin board sign-up sheet is waiting for you.

***If you like to bake, the Sign Up sheet for Snacks** is the place for your name! Please consider bringing **snacks and goodies to share** with Sunday School children and Gathering Place adults. (Note: snacks like fruit, cheese, or store bought treats are also welcome!)

***Missions and Service Committee** Initiative: assisting Osler resident, Theresa L. a single mom of 3: Here is an update on the support we have been giving Theresa. This last week, she was able to obtain a van so this will make life a little easier for her. Now that she has a vehicle, Theresa will be able to take Oren to Preschool herself. Thank you to those individuals who expressed a willingness to provide transportation. Although this will not be needed now, we hope you may be able to help in another way. **Some items that are still needed are a vacuum cleaner that is in good working order and bunk beds for the boys.** Please call Shelley @ 306-239-4979 or Margaret @ 306-239-2205 if you can supply either of these items.

*A new Senior Youth Sunday School class is now meeting upstairs, and happily now have a mini-fridge. The following items would be welcome for their gathering place: **a small sofa, multiple bean bag chairs, and some big throw pillows for the floor.** See Leslie A.

***RJC Kielke & Sausage Supper Fundraiser - Monday, October 21st at Bethany Manor** (110 La Ronge Road, Saskatoon). There will be two seatings for supper - the first seating will be at 4:30pm for Bethany residents and family/guests, and the second seating will be at 6:00pm for everyone! Admission is 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).*



Mennonite Church Canada

Prayer Requests from Mennonite Church Canada:

Please pray for and with the church: Palmer Becker is on Special Assignment with Mennonite Church Canada. From Sept. 19 to Oct. 22, he will teach Mennonite Church leaders in Vietnam and India. Pray that his instruction and interaction will empower and encourage leaders and their congregations.

News/Announcements: What is a Shalom Activist? Are you one? Hear author, teacher, and preacher talk about being a Shalom Activist on Church Matters at www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/2124

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

¹⁸ My joy is gone, grief is upon me, my heart is sick.

¹⁹ Hark, the cry of my poor people from far and wide in the land: 'Is the Lord not in Zion? Is her King not in her?'

('Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their foreign idols?') ²⁰ 'The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved.' ²¹ For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt, I mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me.

²² Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then has the health of my poor people not been restored?

9 ¹O that my head were a spring of water, and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep day and night for the slain of my poor people!

Luke 16:1-13

¹Then Jesus said to the disciples, 'There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. ²So he summoned him and said to him, "What is this that I hear about you? Give me an account of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer." ³Then the manager said to himself, "What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes." ⁵So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, "How much do you owe my master?" ⁶He answered, "A hundred jugs of olive oil." He said to him, "Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty."⁷Then he asked another, "And how much do you owe?" He replied, "A hundred containers of wheat." He said to him, "Take your bill and make it eighty."⁸And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

¹⁰ 'Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ¹¹If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹²And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? ¹³No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.'

*Calling all quilters, scrapbookers, knitters, calligraphers, painters or any others with a pastime;) You are invited to share in a **weekend retreat at Shekinah Retreat Centre...October 4-6, 2013.**

Brochures are available through your church office, or on www.shekinahretreatcentre.org. Registration deadline has been EXTENDED to September 20, 2013. If you are sending your application in the mail yet this week, please call the office so we know to expect it. (306-945-4929) Come and retreat and create!

*October 4th & 5th - **RJC Alumni Weekend!** Come join in the fun as a participant or a spectator! Volleyball and Soccer (Saturday only - meet in Rehearsal Hall at 10:00 and bring a white and dark t-shirt). A delicious lunch sponsored by Alumni will be served between 11:00 and 1:00 in the Rehearsal Hall. Email Denelda at deneldafast@hotmail.com to register for volleyball by September 30th or for information. Alumni and Friends Welcome!

***2013 Global Leadership Summit:** a simulcast conference will be presented by the Willowcreek Canada Leadership Centre, with a few spots available for the Oct. 24-25 dates. Pastors, lay leaders, educators and any interested individuals are encouraged to consider attending this event with its roster of invigorating speakers. Mennonite Church Canada, with the help of MAX Canada Insurance and Willowcreek, has negotiated a special registration rate of \$99 to attend at over 20 locations across Canada. Normally, this is a (up to) \$199 dollar cost. Mennonite Church You can learn more about this leadership event and register for the discounted fee here: www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/2076.

*I Heard Her Voice: Courageous Women of the Bible: Saskatchewan Women in Mission presents the **Annual Fall Women's Retreat at Shekinah Retreat Centre** Oct 18 & 19, 2013: Friday 5:00pm – Sat. 4:00pm. Poster with details and registration forms are now on the bulletin board. **Registration Deadline: October 1st.** *Come to meet Christ our Lord, come to be spiritually refreshed and challenged, and come to fellowship with friends, old and new.*