*MCC Connects: Due to depleted warehouse inventory, MCC is urgently asking for Relief kits and Hygiene kits. These practical items are in high demand as MCC continues to respond to needs in South Sudan and areas such as Syria, Ukraine, Bosnia and Serbia Donations can be dropped off at MCCS, 600 - 45th St. W. Saskatoon. Call Del Lennea at 306.665.2555 for details.

*RJC Spring Classic Golf Tournament Fundraiser, Saturday, May 24 at the Valley Regional Park, Rosthern. Sign up individually or as a team (\$125/person or \$500/team). This event includes oncourse contests and challenges, and a banquet and silent auction at RJC following the tournament. See www.rjc.sk.ca or contact rjcgolf@rjc.sk.ca. If you are interested in being a corporate sponsor, or donating team prizes or silent auction items, please contact Dan Richert at dan@rjc.sk.ca.

*The MDS Update for May 8 is now posted on the bulletin board.

*Volunteer Servers: Bethany Manor is looking for volunteer servers to help serve meals. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Natasha Brandt at 306-380-7920.

Worship Leader: Stephanie Siemens Song Leader: Kathryn Janzen

Accompanists: Lynette Janzen, Melanie Boldt

This week's Nursery Care: Adeline Cox Next week's Nursery Care: Jennifer Rowan Dan Schellenberg Sound:

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Osler, Saskatchewan A Welcoming Christian Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service May 11, 2014

Prelude: "Fearfully Wondrously" Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship: (based on Acts 2:42 – 47)

One: Everyone who believed devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and prayer.

Awe came upon everyone,

Many: Awe came upon everyone,

because many wonders and signs were being done by the One:

apostles. All who believed were together

Many: All who believed were together,

One: All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts,

Many: with glad and generous hearts praising God

One: praising God and enjoying the goodwill of all the people.

Hymns: Blue/HWB #50 "Praise the Lord, sing hallelujah" (v.1)

"10.000 Reasons"

Invocation

Hymn: Blue/HWB #598 "A wonderful Savior is Jesus"

Lesson from the Epistles: 1 Peter 2:22-25

Hymn: "Fearfully Wondrously"

Children's Time

Lesson from the Gospels: John 10:1-10

Blue/HWB #814: Psalm 23 (in unison)

Sharing

Discipline of silence and Prayer of the Church

Offering and Offertory Music Offertory Prayer

Green/SJ #52: "Jesus, help us live in peace"

Sermon Craig Neufeld

*Blue/HWB #322 "For we are strangers no more"

*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.

*TODAY

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

THIS WEEK

- Tuesday, May 13, 7:30pm Heart to Heart meeting
- Wed., May 14, 7:45pm Worship Committee meeting
- Thurs., May 15, 7:30pm Education Committee meeting

Remember in your Prayers

Please remember those with health concerns, including Abe Braun and Sarah Hiebert.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*The Education Committee is looking for a **co-ordinator for VBS** this summer. The MCSask VBS Troupe will again be leading the program and activities at OMC vacation bible school, but they need someone from our church as a contact person, to gather supplies, organize snacks and volunteers at the church. If you can help, please speak to Shelley Penner or any member of the Education Committee: Jake, John R., Kevin.

*All ladies are invited to join a time of Bible study, worship and fellowship at "Heart to Heart" on Tuesday, May 13 at 7:30pm.

*The **Rejoice** Devotionals for June-August are now in the foyer and available to take home for your personal Bible study and meditation.

*A group of Chinese pastors are coming to visit our area, and we would like to be a sponsoring church.

Two things are required to make this happen:

- 1. We need to raise \$400 to help cover the local expenses for translators and activities. Please consider donating to this so that we can help sponsor their visit.
- 2. We need someone to host (provide lodging and food) for four nights and three days. (from May 30, when they arrive, to June 3, when they go to Shekinah). This would be for one pastor, and likely for the translator, too. Someone has already offered to host them when they return here the following weekend.

As a sponsoring church: they will attend our worship services (2); we can learn about them and their situation; we will show them our area and situation, and they will learn about us. Please contact Gordon for more information or if you wish to be a host.

Canadian Mennonite University cmu.ca

*View **CMU's 2014 Graduation highlights** via <u>media.cmu.ca</u> or "like" us on Facebook to view great event photos <u>facebook.com/CMUwinnipeg</u>.



*Urgent Prayer Request from Mennonite Church Canada:

May 9 is Victory Day in Ukraine, celebrating the Soviet Union's victory over Nazi Germany after World War II. Authorities in Ukraine have banned the traditional parades and celebrations in an effort to prevent outbreaks of violence. Pray for peace in Ukraine. Pray that God will keep our Mennonite Church Canada partners safe—Pastor Sergey and Lena Deynekin in Kherson, members of the Zaporizhzhye Evangelical Mennonite Church, and Mary Raber, who is serving at Odessa Theological Seminary. May their presence and faith bring peace and blessing to all whom they encounter. Mary says that she feels safe on the seminary campus, away from the city center. However, she will be spending the holiday in a village as a precautionary measure. On the eve of the celebration, Mary wrote: "Thank all the people praying for us."

*Nancy Frey and Bruce Yoder, Mennonite Church Canada **partners in Burkina Faso, invite prayer** for a growing number of former Ouagadougou Mennonite university student hostel residents who continue to attend the Ouagadouga church. Pray for patience and perseverance as these young people discern their next steps and God's will in their lives

*Thank you to the individuals and congregations who are financially supporting the integration of Mennonite Church Canada's Resource Centre with the Canadian Mennonite University Bookstore as both move into CMU's new Learning Commons building. Resource Centre users and students will benefit from this new partnership as physical and online integration proceed to serve you better.

*Camperships are available for youth and children to attend Mennonite Church Saskatchewan camps. If you know of children from our congregation or community who are interested in going to camp, please review the Guidelines and submit an application. The Guidelines and application forms are posted on the bulletin board. If you have any questions please contact any member of the Mission & Service Committee (Mark, John G, Jan, Wilf, Margaret D).

*May 15 marks the **Early Bird registration deadline** for Mennonite Church Canada's Assembly 2014, Wild Hope: Faith for an unknown season. Register early for savings! home.mennonitechurch.

*Sign Up Sheets - Trustees are again looking for several volunteers to look after yard maintenance (mowing and trimming) and the flower beds and planted areas in front of the church building, and around the OMC sign by the street. Last year the response to the sign up sheets was awesome. Nearly all weeks were covered and the yard always looked good. We are asking you to consider signing up again for whichever week(s) will suit you. Thanks from the Trustees.

*Church Cleanup - The annual OMC work 'morning' is Saturday, May 24th 9-12 a.m. We will try and accomplish outside work on the yard and plant beds - as well as many inside tasks including windows (in and outside) and general cleaning - so all are welcome!! Thanks in advance. The Trustees

*The Youth Farm Bible Camp is looking for volunteers to help with a variety of responsibilities this summer. During the camp season we need helpers in the kitchen for meal preparation, as well as, others to wash dishes and tend to daily cleaning tasks. There are also some finishing jobs left on the church building and landscaping we hope to finish before or during the camping season. These are great opportunities to join in the daily happenings at the camp by meeting some practical needs while connecting with the encouraging ministry of the Youth Farm. If you are interested in helping we would love to have you! Please contact us at holly@yfbc.ca or by calling 1-855-855-9322. We do have overnight accommodation available.

*VBS 2014 – MC Sask is once again putting together a Vacation Bible School troupe to provide churches with the opportunity to host this program in their communities. We are looking for 1 Troupe Leader, 3-4 Troupe Members, and 5-8 host congregations to help make this program happen. Check out the SMYO website (www.smyo.ca/vbs) for more information and applications, or contact Kirsten Hamm in the ACYM Office. Application forms for Troupe leader or Troupe member are now on the bulletin board.

*Have you ever wanted to spend time at Shekinah with campers? At camp, we rely heavily on those people who give of their time to feed us...both physically and spiritually... We still have 1 week available to Bible lead (Children's 2: July 20 - 25), and 1 week to cook in the kitchen (Jr. Teen's 2: August 3 - 8)! If you'd like to cook in the kitchen, but this week doesn't work for you, we can probably make another week work for you! Please call Katie in the office (306-945-4929) for details! Also: There/s still room in both kid's

camps. If you're hoping to come to Jr. Teen's camp, there is still lots

of room August 3-8! (July 13-18 is filling up quick)... Register soon!

*Friday, May 16, 4:30 & 6:00 pm, RJC Dining Hall: Mennonite Heritage Museum Annual Dinner; Annual Meeting at 4:30, Dinner and program at 6:00. \$25. The after-dinner program includes an update on development of a Mennonite Interpretive Centre for the Saskatchewan Valley. To reserve, call or email before May 12: (306) 232-5633, g.epp@accesscomm.ca, or contact any board member.

*Mennonite Church Eastern Canada presents "Theatre of the Beat" at Mount Royal Mennonite Church on Friday, May 16, 7:30pm. "A Bicycle Built for Two" - a playful reflection on marriage. Admission is by donation. "A Bicycle Built for Two" is a hard-hitting comedy that takes a playful look at marriage, commitment, and divorce. It follows three couples at various stages in their relationships: A young couple, bright-eyed with their recent engagement, an aging pair of empty nesters who are trying to rediscover their marriage after 30+ years, a duelling duo just entering a divorce. Result: 75 minutes of hilarious, thought-provoking theatre that will bring your community together to examine the foundations of marriage & the cracks that can go unattended.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

1 Peter 2:22-25

"[Jesus] committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth." When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

John 10:1-10

"Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers."

"Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."