

***MCC Connects:** Community Engagement: Kids Club has expanded to include a Youth Club for youth ages 10-15. We are looking for individuals/groups to provide healthy snacks one Wednesday a month for the youth. Approximately 40 youth attend each week. Please contact Kaytee Edwards at MCCS for more information, 306.665.2555 ext. 237 or kayteeedwards@mccs.org

***Shekinah annual Quilting and Scrapbooking Retreat** – See the brochure/registration form on the bulletin board for this retreat to be held September 26-28.

***Women's Voices from the Global Church** is the theme for the Saskatchewan Women in Mission's Women's Retreat, October 17 & 18 at Shekinah. Join women from across the province to hear stories from women from around the globe. The registration deadline of October 1 is coming up quickly! See the poster for details and registration information.

***October 3 & 4 - RJC ALUMNI WEEKEND!** Email Denelda at deneldafast@hotmail.com to register for volleyball by September 30th or for information. Alumni and Friends welcome!

Worship Leader: John Reddelopp
Song Leader: Kevin Boldt
Accompanist: Melanie Boldt
This week's Nursery care: Diana Buhler
Next week's Nursery care: Jennifer Rowan
Scripture reader: Art Zacharias
Sound: Dan Schellenberg & Liam Boldt
Ushers: Steve Rowan, Russ Friesen

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OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan
A Welcoming Christian
Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
September 21, 2014

Prelude
Welcome & Announcements

GATHERING

Call to Worship:

Leader: Let all who are thirsty come;

People: Let them drink of the water that has no price.

Leader: Let all who are hungry come;

People: Let them eat of the bread that has no cost.

Leader: Let those who are in prison come,

People: Let them too experience God's love.

Invocation

***Hymns: Green/SJ #18 "Over my head"**
Blue/HWB #3 "Create my soul anew"

Discipline of silence and Prayer of the Church

LISTENING

Children's Time

Edna Zacharias

Hymn: Blue/HWB #384 "We give thee but thine own"

Offering and Offertory music

Offertory Prayer

Scripture lessons: Isaiah 42:6-7, and Mathew 25:31-46

Hymn: Blue/HWB #135 “God, whose purpose is to kindle”

Meditation: Dave Feick and Eric Olfert

RESPONDING

Prayer of Confession: “*Holy Indictment*” by Deborah E. Harris

Lord, when did we see you clothed in an orange jumpsuit and visit you? We look at your incarcerated children through prejudicial, orange-colored glasses. We sentence our brothers and sisters to the chains of poverty and hopelessness for life. We forge prison bars of hatred and judgment, confining one in four of your children in this nation. Lord, when did we see you clothed in an orange jumpsuit and welcome you? We dispense your Grace to the highest bidder. We love at our convenience and ease. We keep a lid on the truth that can set us all free. Lord, when did we see you clothed in an orange jumpsuit and feed you? We hide inside “our” horn of plenty and privilege. We retreat to our ivory towers and say the right words. We stay busy and keep our heads down.

O Lord, have mercy on us. Unlock our hearts with gratitude. O Christ, have mercy on us. Open our eyes with compassion.

***Hymn: Blue/HWB #418 “Move in our midst”**

*Benediction

**Please rise.*

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.

The blank, coloured papers in the pew are for **thank-you notes to God or someone in the church**. Place the note in the offering bag. Notes with names will be delivered to that person. The rest will be saved. Share your thankfulness as an offering.

TODAY

- **Beverages and snacks** available after the worship service.
- **Sunday School for all ages** begins at 11:15am.
- **11:15am - A presentation about the Micah Mission in the sanctuary – everyone is invited.**
- **Today, Congregational meeting, followed by Pizza lunch:** After the congregational meeting, there will be a pizza lunch for our guests and for all who wish to remain and continue to dialogue about the work of the Micah Mission. Donations to help cover the cost of the pizza are appreciated.

THIS WEEK

- **Thursday, Sept 25, 7:30pm – Missions & Service Committee meeting**
- **Saturday, Sept 27, 5:30pm – Youth Welcome Back Weiner Roast at Eugene & Shelley Penner’s home**

Remember in your Prayers:

Abe Braun

Announcements

***Today:** We are asking that **the congregation meet after Sunday School**. Council has met with Patty Friesen and will recommend to the congregation that OMC call Patty to be our interim pastor for a period of one year at three quarter time. If the congregation agrees with that direction, Patty would start her ministry here the beginning of October.
- George Janzen

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***Newsletter submissions** should be in to the church office by Friday, September 26th, please. Committee chairs: if you have meeting dates set for October, please let the office know so this information can be posted in newsletter church calendar.

***“Buffalo Shout, Salmon Cry” Study/Discussion Group** at Rosthern Mennonite Church, starting October 9 at 7:00 pm, continuing till Dec 4th. Contact Eric Olfert (306-384-8431 or olfert.ej@sasktel.net) or Rita MacDonald (306-232-5310 or ritamacdonald48@gmail.com) for more information and to indicate interest. Eric is also willing to coordinate car-pooling from Saskatoon area.

***CMU Portable: Oct 4-5 at Wildwood Mennonite Church** in Saskatoon. "Baptism, Communion, and Membership in the Body of Christ" with **Irma Fast Dueck**. See the bulletin board for more details and sign-up info.



***As a follow-up to Assembly 2014** in Winnipeg, the *Being A Faithful Church Task Force* of Mennonite Church Canada would like to share with you a video by Loren Johns, Professor of New Testament at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, on the topic of scripture discernment and homosexuality. It can be found at www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/2399.

***L’Arche Saskatoon and MCC** (Mennonite Central Committee) are looking for a family to host an international volunteer until early July. The volunteer is a 23 year old woman from Indonesia studying to be a pastor. She arrived in Saskatoon in August and is volunteering with L’Arche through IVEP, an MCC program. For more information, contact Wyndham at 306-262-7243 or wthiessen@larchesaskatoon.org

***Who is your neighbor?** Join us for Prairie Prism on Sunday, September 28 from 1-5pm at the Holy Family Cathedral, 123 Nelson Road for an interactive multicultural experience. Come, learn more about our changing community and enjoy entertainment, interactive artisan booths, storytelling, food and more. For more information call or visit <http://prairieprism.sk.webs.com>

***Youth Welcome Back Weiner Roast, Saturday, September 27th** at 5:30pm. Location: Eugene & Shelley Penner’s – 327 Pauls Crescent. Each youth is asked to bring a bottle or cans of pop or a bag of chips to share. Please be sure to invite your friends!

***Sunday School Project for the Month of September – School kits.** The Education Committee and Sunday School children invite you to join them in preparing MCC School Kits as a Sunday School project during the month of September by bringing the following:
Contents (NEW items only):
4 spiral or perforated notebooks (about 21.5 cm x 27 cm ; 140 pages)
8 unsharpened pencils
1 ruler (flat, flexible plastic; indicating both 30 cm and 12 in)
12 coloured pencils (in packaging)
1 large pencil eraser
Double drawstring cloth bag (28 cm x 40.6 cm/11 in x 16 in)

Mark your calendars:

October 5th – Communion Sunday

Saturday, October 18 – Men’s Breakfast at Osler Cafe

Wednesday, October 22 – Ladies “Heart to Heart”

***Wednesday, October 1, 6pm - Feast-and-Share** gathering will be here at Osler Mennonite Church. Unfortunately the June 22 Powwow gathering was rained out. The meal is potluck: bring a dish if you wish! The purpose of these gatherings is to listen to our aboriginal neighbors and the leaders in their communities, so we can learn how to work together to build relationships. This time we would like to sit in a large circle where everyone will have the opportunity to speak. If we are coming together to get to know each other better, communicate and work together, we need to be able to trust each other and express our thoughts. We hope you will come and invite others from the congregation or community. We look forward to a time of feasting and sharing again. Sponsored by Saskatoon Native Ministry along with OMC's Missions & Service Committee.

***The Student Bursary fund** was started by a donation from the Estate of Rev. Corney Boldt for students who will be attending one of our church schools. A once in a lifetime bursary of \$500.00 per student will be made available for as long as there is money in the fund To qualify the applicant or its parents must be members of Osler Mennonite Church or must have been active in the church program for the past three years. If you feel you qualify this year, please fill out the application form available from the office or bulletin board.

*September 2014 PrayerNet Bulletin, the September 11, 2014 MDS Update and the Micah Mission report are now on the bulletin board.

*On October 4, join other Mennonite Church Canada congregations from across Canada on **the Ride for Refuge** – a first ever national church bikeathon. Join riders in every major city across this country to ride in support of Witness workers Nathan and Taryn Dirks (Niagara United Mennonite Church) to help build a soccer play space for at-risk youth in Botswana. **Stephanie Siemens and Mark Bigland-Pritchard will be participating and invite other riders and also will gratefully accept sponsorship. Please see the display in the foyer for more details and to sponsor, or speak to Steph or Mark.**

*On Sept. 21st, millions of people around the world will publicly act for a world safe from the **impacts of climate change**. As people of faith we have an opportunity to show the world that the church also cares about these matters. Many faith leaders are joining a United Nations summit on the climate crisis in New York City where UN Secretary Ban Ki-moon is urging governments to support an ambitious global agreement to address climate change. Church groups are invited to support this action in their local areas. In Saskatoon, this event happens **today: Sunday, September 21, 2014 at 1:00 PM at Friendship Park in Saskatoon, under the Broadway Bridge**. For details, contact: Dianne Rhodes via email: dianner@hotmail.com or phone: (306) 955-4922 Facebook Event Page: [People's Climate March – Saskatoon](#) Visit <http://www.cpj.ca/climate> for suggestions and resources.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Isaiah 42:6-7

⁶ I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, ⁷ to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.

Matthew 25:31-46

³² 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. ³²All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, ³³and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. ³⁴Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; ³⁵for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." ³⁷Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? ³⁸And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? ³⁹And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" ⁴⁰And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." ⁴¹Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; ⁴²for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." ⁴⁴Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?" ⁴⁵Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me." ⁴⁶And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'