\*MCC Connects: Take chances. Make mistakes. Get messy. Be challenged. Spend a year living somewhere that you never dreamed you'd go . . . start now. Serving and Learning Together (SALT) is a year-long, cross-cultural service experience. Serve internationally in areas such as education, agriculture, healthcare, information technology, peace and more! SALT applications are due February 15, 2015. Contact Erica Baerwald, 306.665.2555 or ericabaerwald@mccsk.ca for details or visit mcccanada.ca/getinvolved/serve/gsl

\*The Youth Farm Corn Maze is hosting Wintertainment on Saturday, February 7th from 11am-7-pm. Skating (bring your own skates), CORN MAZE!, carnival games, bonfire, fireworks, food served all day, and more!! Admission \$5. All proceeds go towards the ministry of the Youth Farm Bible Camp.

\*Shekinah's Annual Winter Fun Day is happening again on Family Day, February 16, 2015! Come out and share a day of skating, skiing, tubing and other kinds of family fun with us!

\*See the bulletin board for details of **Academy of Discipleship seminar sessions** "Patient Ferment: Peaceful Mission in the Early Church"to be on February 13 & 14 at Warman Mennonite Church.

Worship Leader: Patty Friesen This week's Nursery care: Jan Guenther Next Week's Nursery care: Diana Buhler

Chris Buhler Sound:

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Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service January 25, 2015

Our Singing Faith

**Prelude – Saskatune Singers** 

Welcome & Announcements

#### **GATHERING**

**Call to Worship:** 

Leader: God of all kindness, we thank you for the many ways

your love enters our lives.

People: You have filled our mouths with laughter and our

tongues with singing.

Leader: Accept our sacrifice of song in your church on earth,

People: And grant us a part in the music of your church in

heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: **AMEN** 

Invocation

\*Hymns: Blue/HWB #8 "Brethren, we have met to worship" Purple/SS #113 "I will stand in the congregation"

Sharing of Joys and Concerns and Prayer of the church

LISTENING

Children's Time

Patty Friesen

Hymn: Blue/HWB #573 "What a friend we have in Jesus" Offering and Offertory Music Offertory Prayer

Reflections and Songs: "Our Singing Faith" Saskatune Singers

Hymn of response: Green/SJ #18 "Over my head"

### RESPONDING

\*Benediction song by Saskatune Singers

\*Please rise.

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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.

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.
- Potluck at noon Everyone invited to join in!

#### THIS WEEK

- Monday and Tuesday, January 26 & 2, Blanket making for MCC (*Heart to Heart* Ladies: you are also invited to make this your January *HtoH*.)
- Wednesday, January 28, 7:30pm Deacons Winter study

**Next Sunday: Healing service and Communion** 

Sermon: Patty Friesen

Worship leader: Jake Buhler Song leader: Michelle McKinnell

Pianist: Diana Buhler

Children's time: Kathryn Janzen

Sound: Dick Braun

## **Remember in Prayer**

Thanksgivings: Ramon's recovery from surgery, serving at the Friendship Inn, Linda discharged from hospital

Intercessions: The death of Helen Goerzten; remembering her family, including nieces, Kathy Braun and Anne Peters, and also our sympathies to Marlene Campbell on the death of her mother, Jean Huck. Her funeral was last Saturday.

#### Announcements

\*We welcome the Saskatune Singers: Lynn Driedger, Carey Redekopp Kroeger, Bob Neufeldt and Ron Peters from Nutana Park Mennonite Church to our worship service this morning.

\*Patty's Week: Tuesday: sermon, prayer, visitation. Wednesday: office (FIM 10-10:45) 8:30-12:30, Bible study 7:30 pm. Friday: office 8:30-12:30 (FIM 10-10:45), visits. Please feel free to call Patty at home: (306) 955-2928.

## \*Upcoming OMC Sunday services:

February. 1: Healing in the Synagogue and Communion

**February 8**: RJC Chorale

\*Visioning process update: Thank you to all who have participated in the visioning interviews led by the MC Sask volunteer team. We are nearing the end of the interview process. If you have not yet had an interview, and would like to, please see George as soon as possible.

\*From January 30 - February 1, Rosthern Mennonite Church is hosting a portable CMU entitled "Pacifism: Can we still (live) it?" let by Harry Huebner. Please see the bulletin board poster for details. There is no cost, and we look forward to having you join us.

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## Mennonite Church Canada

\*Early indicators are suggesting that Mennonite Church Canada is facing a donation shortfall as we approach our fiscal year-end on Jan. 31, 2015. Meanwhile, workers Nathan and Taryn Dirks serving in Botswana recently wrote a blog post called "The Numbers Game" in which they describe the difference generous donors from across Canada are making (<a href="http://ntdirks.com/the-number-games/">http://ntdirks.com/the-number-games/</a>). Theirs is just one of many impact stories of the work we do together as a national church in 25 countries around the world, and in Canada. Would you consider making an over-and-above-usual-giving gift to Mennonite Church Canada so that together we can continue to share God's good news and start the new fiscal year in a strong position? Donate online via donate.mennonitechurch.ca or by mailing a cheque to 600 Shaftesbury Blvd., Wpg. MB R3P 0M4. Thank you.

\*Featured prayer request from the wider church: Although news from the Ukraine isn't making headlines as it did last year, tensions continue. Please continue to pray for peace in Ukraine, and remember the pastors and churches with whom Mennonite Church Canada relates. Pray for Pastor Anya Allipova and the Zaporizhzhye Evangelical Mennonite Church; Sergie and Leyna Denykin and the small fellowship they lead in Kherson; as well as Mary Raber, who teaches theology at several schools in the region. Pray also for Gordon Janzen, Director of Europe Ministry, as he offers connection, encouragement and support.

\*Mennonite World Conference needs you! Volunteers are needed before, during and after the gathering to assist from near and far. Volunteers during assembly receive a discounted registration rate. More information can be found at mwc-cmm.org/pa2015volunteer.

\*Blanket Making for MCC at the church on January 26, 27, 28 starting at 9:00am each day. Thanks to all the volunteers that came out last week we were able to complete 40 blankets. Please join us and help us attain our goal of 100 blankets.

\*OMC Winter Wednesdays' Come join the discussion about "Good God, Good Sex". The final session is this week.

Session #4: Wednesday, Jan. 28, 7:30pm "Gay Marriage?"

Sharing by Russ Friesen. Discussion led by Patty Friesen

\*SMYO Sr. High Retreat, Jan. 30- Feb. 1, Shekinah Retreat Centre. With a theme of 'Where's God in my Song?, speaker Ben Pauls will spend time with the youth exploring connections between songs, stories, generations, and God. Complete with an air band competition, this year's retreat promises to be full of all kinds of joyful noise! Deadline to register: Jan. 23, forms can be found online at <a href="www.smyo.ca/events">www.smyo.ca/events</a>, or contact Kirsten Hamm-Epp at youthminister@mcsask.ca

\*Please have **newsletter submissions** in to the church office by Friday, January 30<sup>th</sup>.

\*Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, starting at 9:30am.

\*Winter Walkers: OMC gym will be open for walking Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings, 9:00 a.m. Wednesdays and Fridays, 10am – 10:45am: *Forever in Motion Senior Fitness Class*. Walkers and all ages welcome to join us. Contact Patty with questions.

\*Nursery supervision is provided during worship services as a service to parents of young children. More helpers are welcome - if you are willing to have your name added to the next supervision schedule (March through June), please contact the church office.