

**\*MCC Connects:** If you volunteer at the MCCS Material Resources Centre or are part of a group that makes blankets or kits, you are invited to a Volunteer Appreciation Tea at 3:00pm on April 20 at the MCC Centre (600-45<sup>th</sup> St W, Saskatoon). RSVP to Jerry Letkeman at 306.665.2555, ext. 243 or [JerryLetkeman@mccsk.ca](mailto:JerryLetkeman@mccsk.ca) by April 18 if you plan to attend.

\*Parkland Restorative Justice is hosting its first annual **“Spring Gala in the Woods” – a fundraising banquet** on April 15 at the Prince Albert Wildlife Federation building. Doors open at 6 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$40 or \$300/table of 8 persons. Reserve by calling 306-763-6224 or emailing [parklandrestorativejustice@gmail.com](mailto:parklandrestorativejustice@gmail.com)

**\*Station Singers presents "In Praise of Spring" concert** - works by Dvorak, Haydn, and Mendelssohn  
7:30 pm Saturday Apr 16 at Grace Westminster United Church  
2:00 pm Sunday Apr 17 at the Station Arts Center  
Guest artists: Prairie Virtuosi String Quartet

**\*A Buncha Guys Spring Concert: Sunday, April 24 2:30 pm at Nutana Park Mennonite Church.** Tickets (\$5.00) are available at McNally Robinson, from any of the Guys, **or at the door.** An offering will be taken to support the Canadian Foodgrains Bank.

Worship Leader: Jim Dyck  
Song leader: Kevin Boldt  
Pianist: Melanie Boldt  
Sound: Chris Buhler  
Nursery Supervision: Sarah Guenther  
Ushers: Dick Braun, Cornie Guenther

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## OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan  
A Welcoming Christian  
Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service  
April 3, 2016

Prelude  
Welcome & Announcements  
ADS Reporting

Call to Worship  
Invocation

**\*Hymns: Blue/HWB #25 “Jesus, stand among us”**  
**Blue/HWB #174 “Bless’d be the God of Israel”**

Sharing of Joys and Concerns / Prayer of the Church

Offering & Offertory Prayer

Children’s Time Jake Buhler

**Hymn: Blue/HWB #301 “Joys are flowing like a river”**

Scripture Lessons: John 20:19-29

**Hymn: Blue/HWB #338 “I know not why God’s wondrous”**

Sermon: “Doubting Thomas? Forgiven Thomas” Dave Feick

**Hymn: Blue/HWB #433 “Go my children”**

\*Benediction

**\*Please rise.**

**To all our visitors: WELCOME.** We are delighted that you are worshipping with us.

**Scent Free:** We are striving to be considerate of those with sensitivities to scents/fragrances and ask all to avoid wearing scented products.

**Children's Worship Binder,** an instrument to help children through the worship hour, is available in the foyer.

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### TODAY

- **Centering Prayer** in Classroom 1 at **9:15am.**
- **Beverages and snacks** available after the worship service.
- **Sunday School for all ages** begins at 11:15am.

### THIS WEEK

- **Thursday, April 7, 7:30pm – Church Council Meeting**
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**Next Sunday, April 10 – John Reddekopp will be preaching.**

Worship leader: Terry Stefaniuk

Song leader: Kevin Boldt

Pianist: Melanie Boldt

Children's Time: Lacey Braun Sound: Chris Buhler

Nursery Supervision: Lucy Friesen

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### Remember in Prayer

**Joys** - Easter Sunday

**Concerns** – Helen Janzen's family at her death, (Tina Friesen, MaryAnn Braun, Lacey Braun)

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### Announcements

**\*Patty's Week:** Today: Nutana Park. Tuesday: sermon, visits. Wednesday: office. Thursday: council. Friday: office, visits.

**\*Liam B. and Zachary S. will be graduating from RJC** in June and we will be presenting them with hymnals on May 15<sup>th</sup>, with a wiener roast after church. The hymnals are in the foyer. Please take a moment to find your favorite hymn and **sign that hymnal page.**

**Re: Pastoral candidate Terri Lynn Paulson:** We will have a congregational meeting on **Sunday, April 10, 11:15am** to discuss possible 3/4 time and vote.

\*Interested in joining the **OMC Golf Team for the RJC Tournament** Sat. May 28? Cost \$150.00/player and no skill required. Talk to Patty.

**\*Quilters needed:** Thanks to everyone who has contributed cloth to our **story quilt** project. It is a beautiful collection. We are going to start construction soon so if there are any quilters in the church who would like to help please let us know. If you still want to add cloth, please give it to someone on worship committee. Thanks!

\*Ladies: Mark your calendars for our next '**Heart to Heart**'. A **Baby shower** for Walter and Kathryn will be held at the church on Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm

**\*Men's Breakfast, Saturday, April 16, 8:30 am.** It's the final men's breakfast this spring. Read final two chapters of "Under Construction" in preparation.

**\*Saturday, April 16th, 11:30am** – Serving lunch at **Friendship Inn.** There's a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board to volunteer and help for April/May/June.

**\*Sunday, April 17, 11:15am** – Sunday School forum: "Homophobia" by Chris Buhler

\*Everyone is invited to come hear the **Warman Community Band Spring Concert** at the Church on Central in Warman on **Sunday, April 10** at 2:30pm.

\***April's PrayerNet** from Mennonite Church Canada is now posted on the bulletin board, with many prayer opportunities.

\***TODAY: *Rewilding the Way*** author Todd Wynward: "The wild truth is that God needs us, and we humans have yet to do our part." Read the book ([rewildingtheway.com](http://rewildingtheway.com)) and join a conversation about living the way of Jesus in our particular place and time. **April 3, 6:00pm at Wildwood Mennonite Church.** All are welcome!

\***April 23, 6:00 PM** The *Canadian Mennonite* magazine invites you to a Fundraising Banquet featuring keynote speaker, **Stuart Murray**, from the UK Anabaptist Network, author of the *Naked Anabaptist: The Bare Essentials of a Radical Faith* and the nationally competitive classical **Caspian (Friesen) Trio** at **Rosthern Mennonite Church**. Donations above \$20.00 gratefully received. Please see poster for more details. Please **RSVP by April 12, 2016** online at 306-363-4750. [canadianmennonite.org/banquet](http://canadianmennonite.org/banquet), via email at [brycelm@gmail.com](mailto:brycelm@gmail.com).

## Mennonite Church Canada

\* Assembly 2016 Saskatoon – Plan to attend! Short Term International Witness workers will be on hand to share stories of their experiences abroad in places like Latin America, Israel/Palestine and Ethiopia . Register via [home.mennonitechurch.ca/saskatoon2016/information](http://home.mennonitechurch.ca/saskatoon2016/information)

\***Featured prayer request from the wider church.** Working with Christian Peacemaker Teams in Kurdistan, Kathy Moorhead Thiessen sought people willing to share their stories through art or photography. The result is the exhibition, *Stories in Art from Iraqi Kurdistan*, which opened at the Mennonite Heritage Centre Gallery on April 2, 2016. Pray that this exhibition will be widely viewed and bring voice to the voiceless.

\***New financial aid program for online students:** Apply to Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary now for scholarships up to 50% for on campus and online programs. <https://www.amb.edu/admissions/index.cfm>

## OMC CALENDAR

<b>Thur Apr 7</b>	<b>7:30pm – Church Council meeting</b>
Sun Apr 10	John Reddekopp preaching
<b>Mon Apr 11</b>	<b>7:00pm H to H Baby Shower: Kathryn &amp; Walter</b>
<b>Wed Apr 13</b>	<b>7:30pm - Youth Discussion with Steph</b>
Thur Apr 14	7:00pm – Deacons meeting
<b>Sat April 16</b>	<b>8:30am – Men's breakfast</b>
Sat April 16	11:30am – Friendship Inn volunteering
<b>Sun Apr 17</b>	<b>11:15am Sunday School forum with Chris B.</b>
<b>Sun Apr 17</b>	<b>5:0pm – Seniors Supper at Bethany Manor</b>
Mon Apr 18	7:00pm – Worship Committee meeting (Naomi's)
<b>Fri April 22</b>	<b>Youth Mall Man Hunt</b>
Wed Apr 27	7:30 – Youth Discussion Nite with Steph
Thur Apr 28	7:00pm – Missions & Service Comm. Meeting
Sun May 1	Seedy Sunday
Sun May 1	Noon – Youth Ministry Team meeting

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## Upcoming Services at OMC

Sun. April 10 - John Reddekopp – “Softball and the Body of Christ” I Corinthians 12  
Sun. April 17 - Patty Friesen – “Soil Preparation Part I: Sodbusting and rock picking” Luke 5:1-11  
Sun. April 24 - Patty Friesen – “Soil Preparation Part II: Fertilizer” Luke 6:1-11  
Seedy Sunday, May 1 - Patty Friesen – “Round-Up Ready Seeds of the Gospel” Luke 24:36-53

*The lesson I have thoroughly learnt, and wish to pass on to others, is to know the enduring happiness that the love of a garden gives.*  
- Gertrude Jekyll

### **\*Help Needed for Upcoming Youth Event!**

Hey everyone! I'm organizing a **Youth 'Mall Man Hunt'** event and I need your help! This event will be happening on Friday April 22nd at 7pm at the Lawson Heights Mall. The youth will be given one hour in the mall to search out as many of us as possible. Our goal is to not be found. For the event to be as epic as I'm envisioning, here's what I need help with:

I need as many of us congregation members as possible to be roaming throughout the mall, preferably in some disguise that the youth will not recognize you in.

I encourage you to be as creative as you have time for! Wigs, clothing purchased from your local MCC Thrift shop, crazy makeup, carrying dolls or pushing a stroller, hats, sunglasses, walkers, canes, perhaps you want to invite a friend that the youth wouldn't recognize to walk with you etc. Anything goes!! This is for anyone of any age to participate in. The more the merrier! More details will be given as the date comes closer, but as of now I'm hoping that you will save the date and let me know that you're up for helping! There will be a sign up sheet on the bulletin at church or you can email/call/talk to me.

Thanks in advance! Steph

**\*Tables and Chairs for sale:** There are new chairs in the Gathering space and new plastic tables for the Multi-purpose room. The old tables are available to purchase for \$25/each, and the folding chairs previously in the Gathering room are available at \$10/each. First Come, First served. See any of the Trustees or Adeline in the office.

**\*RJC Spend-A-Day: Friday/Saturday, April 8 & 9** – All students, grade 8-11, are invited to **Spend-A-Day** at the RJC campus. It's an opportunity for students to get a glimpse of what it is like to be a student here at RJC. Come out and meet new friends, sit in on some classes, eat in the dining hall, join in some fun activities and spend the night in the dorms. Some highlights of the weekend will be **Mission Impossible in the Dark** and a **giant bon fire**. On Saturday, families are invited for brunch and an informal information session in the dining hall, tour the campus and ask questions. Any student that would like to attend this event needs to **register by April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016**, as space is limited. **ADMISSION is FREE!**

### **TODAY'S SCRIPTURES: John 20:19-29**

19 When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' <sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' <sup>22</sup>When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

24 But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

26 A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' <sup>27</sup>Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' <sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

### **\*RJC GUYS & PIES Fundraiser and Dessert Auction - Sunday, April 10, 7:00 pm at RJC.**

Join us for an evening of superb music and delicious desserts, featuring A Buncha Guys (directed by Russ Regier), and the RJC Man Choir (directed by Richard Janzen.) Included in the evening will be a dessert auction with decorated and calorie-filled desserts up for bid (bid individually, as a table, family, or consortium). Funds raised will go toward RJC program projects. Coffee, tea and pie will be served during the evening.

**\*RJC is hiring a summer student** to work May-August. Main responsibilities include grounds maintenance, summer rental host and science class renovation labourer assisting with demolition and construction. Send letters of inquiry and application to Jim Epp, Principal [jimepp@rjc.sk.ca](mailto:jimepp@rjc.sk.ca)