*MCC Connects: As the New Year approaches, consider bringing a new friend into your life. MCCS supports volunteer-centered restorative justice organizations that model their programs on the power of friendship. Volunteer opportunities are available in Regina, Saskatoon, Prince Albert, and surrounding areas. Contact Heather Peters, Restorative Justice Coordinator at heatherpeters@mccsk.ca

The Academy of Discipleship Course, What have you to do with **Peace?** is taking place on 2 Fridays, Jan 20 & 27, 2017 at The Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road in Saskatoon. Register for this free course at www.academyofdiscipleship.org or email aod.saskatoon.sask@gmail.com. See the poster for more details.

OMC CALENDAR

Dec 21	Christmas hamper packing by the M & S committee
	in the morning
Dec 23	Youth Christmas party @ Terri Lynn's
Dec 24	Christmas Eve candlelight service, 7:00 pm
Dec 25	No service here.
Jan 1, 2017	Communion service 10:00 am. No Sunday School.
Jan 4	Wednesday Bible Study starts at 10:30 am
	Executive committee meeting, 1:00 pm
Jan 5	Council meeting, 7:00 pm
Jan 9	Worship committee meeting, 7:00 pm
Jan 15	Deacons meeting, noon
Jan 22	Winter study & potluck

Worship leader:

Song leader: Kathryn Janzen Pianist: Lynette Janzen Sound: Chris Buhler Nursery: Jan Guenther

Ushers: John Gascho, Anna Peters

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Osler, Saskatchewan A Welcoming Christian Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service December 18, 2016 Fourth Advent

Christmas Sunday School Program: "Shepherds, Sheep and a Savior"

Prelude Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship: "Christmas Bells" Adult Choir Lighting of the Advent Candles & Invocation: Dan Schellenberg & Adam Boldt

*Hymns: Blue/HWB #201 "Hark! the herald angels sing" Blue/HWB #209 "Oh, how joyfully"

Sharing of Joys and Concerns / Prayer of the Church

Offering - "Birthday of a King" Ladies Trio

Offertory prayer

"No Ordinary Night" Children's Choir

Scene 1

"Shaggy, smelly sheep" Children's Choir

Scene II

Hymn: Blue/HWB #197 "Angels we have heard on high"

Scene III

"O little town of Bethlehem" Adult Choir

Scene IV

"This is Jesus" Adult Choir & Children's Choir

"Away in a Manger" Children's Choir

Scene V

"No Ordinary Night (Reprise) Children's Choir

Hymn: Blue/HWB #318 "Joy to the World"

Hymn: "Der Friedensfurst"

*Benediction

*(Please rise)

To all our visitors: WELCOME. We are delighted that you are worshiping 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.

TODAY

- Adult choir practice at 9:00 am.
- Sunday School Christmas Pageant at 10:00 am.
- Everyone is invited to stay for coffee and Christmas goodies after the worship service.

THIS WEEK

- **Christmas hamper** packing, morning of Wednesday, December 21.
- Youth Christmas party @ Terri Lynn's
- Christmas Eve service, Saturday, December 24, 7:00 pm.

NEXT SUNDAY

• There will be no service here next Sunday, December 25.

Sunday, January 1: "Genesis 1-6: New Beginnings" & Communion

-Patty Friesen

Song leader: Ben Buhler Pianist: Diana Buhler Worship leader: Dave Feick Sound: Doug McKinnell

Nursery: Marlene Campbell

Ushers: Carl Martens-Funk, Russ Friesen

Remember in Prayer

- -Marge Braun's hip surgery
- -Brandee Borne's friend Amy

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Thank you to Loretta Sawatzky and the Adult Choir for making our Advent so worshipful. Thank you to Lynette Janzen, Kathryn Janzen and Naomi Schellenberg for leading the Children's Choir and Christmas Program and Christmas Eve service. Thank you to everyone who has sang and led worship this year at the Mennonite Nursing Home, Bethany Manor and Warman Special Care Home.

Patty's Christmas Weeks: Tues: sermon, visits; Wed: office and hamper delivery; Sat: Christmas Eve service. Off Dec.25-30. Dec. 31: office.

Terri Lynn's Weeks: Mon: office, visits; Tues: office, Osler School concert; Fri: office, Youth Christmas party; Sat: Christmas Eve service. Off Dec 25 - Jan 3.

*Christmas Hampers will be packed on December 21st. Please consider donating - non-perishable items can be placed in the labelled box in the Church foyer; perishable items and baking should be delivered to the Church the morning of December 21st. Osler School, Warman Rodeo, Kairos Lutheran Community Church and Osler Mennonite Church will be supporting 9 families this Christmas. Thank you!

* Youth Christmas Party - December 23rd - 7:30 - 10pm. Terri Lynn's House: 225 Ave E North, Saskatoon

A relaxing night to get Christmas Holidays started!

Don't need worry about bringing snacks or a gift exchange - but Terri
Lynn WILL be looking for parents to **coordinate rides** to and from
Saskatoon since she will be hosting. Please let me know if your
youth is coming, and if you're able to drop off or pick up youth thanks!

- *We will have **Communion** during worship on New Year's Day. There will be no Sunday School on January 1st.
- *Old Testament Bible Study: Wednesdays at 10:30-11:30 a.m. Jan. 4 April 4 with Patty. We will be discussing the thrilling Old Testament stories highlighted in worship the following Sunday.
- *The church office will be closed on December 23rd, 28th and 30th but will be open the morning of December 31st.
- *Please have submissions for the January newsletter in to the church office by Tuesday, December 20. Thank you.
- *Snack and Coffee Sign-up sheet for the New Year is on the bulletin board. This would be a great time to share some of your Christmas baking:)
- *RJC Choir Christmas Concert: Sunday, Dec 18, 2:30 pm at RJC. Admission is free; a collection will be taken in support of RJC. Everyone welcome.
- *RJC TOURNAMENT OF MEMORIES January 13th & 14th, 2017 Basketball and Hockey are waiting for you! Alumni, family and friends should register by January 6th by email (deneldafast@hotmail.com) for basketball and hockey. Basketball will include a friendly skills competition in addition to the usual fast paced court action! Hockey will consist of current students, young alumni and not so young alumni (figure out where you fit!) Reconnect with old classmates and friends and exercise your mind, body and spirit at the same time! If you have questions contact Denelda at 306-221-2846.