

***MCC Connects:** Save the date – **The MCCS Encounter & AGM** will be held at Rosthern Junior College, 410 - 6th Avenue, Rosthern, SK on Saturday, November 5, 2016, 9:00am - 4:30pm. Theme - Peacebuilding: on the prairies and around the world. Watch for details in your bulletins and at mccsk.ca

OMC CALENDAR

- Sept 12 Osler Community garden meeting, 7:00 pm.
Sept 13 Worship committee mtg, 3:00 pm @ Naomi's.
Sept 14 Missions & Service mtg, 7:00 pm.
Education committee mtg, 7:00 pm.
Sept 15 Deacons committee mtg, 7:00 pm.
Sept 18 Patty Friesen preaching: "Rempel vs. Rempel on Communion".
Adult S.S. Forum 11:15 a.m. MC Canada Delegates report and discussion.
Sept 19 Refugee fundraiser planning mtg, 7:00 pm.
Sept 25 Julie Bergen preaching.
Oct 2 Terry Stefaniuk preaching.
Oct 9 Communion and Thanksgiving potluck.
Oct 17 Heart to Heart wedding shower for TL, 7:00 pm.

Worship leader: Christy Martens-Funk
Song leader: Michelle McKinnell
Pianist: Naomi Schellenberg
Sound: Dan Schellenberg
Ushers: Susan Braun, Lloyd Sawatzky

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OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan
A Welcoming Christian
Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
September 11, 2016

Prelude
Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship:

One: the table is set.

All: God calls us to a feast!

One: We come from near and far, from city and country, to sit at Christ's table.

All: We come to share our stories and hear God's story, to share hopes and pain, wisdom and laughter.

One: the table is set, so come let us worship God together!

Invocation

***Hymns: Blue/HWB #70 "Immortal, invisible, God only wise"**
Green/SJ #84 "Jesus, offered up as bread"

Sharing of Joys and Concerns / Prayer of the Church

Offering / Offertory prayer

Children's Time: Christy Martens-Funk

Hymn: Blue/HWB #545 "Be thou my vision"

Scripture Lesson: Psalm 51:1-12; 1 Timothy 1:12-17

Hymn: Blue/HWB #527 "Lord Jesus, think on me"

Sermon: "The Heart of Communion" Patty Friesen
Hymn: Blue/HWB #2 "In thy holy place" during the sermon

*Hymn: Blue/HWB #1 "What is this place"

*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.

TODAY

- **Centering Prayer in Classroom 1 at 9:15 am.**
- ***11:15 am: Adult S.S. Forum on Communion.** We will be using Elsie Rempel's downloadable book "Come Lord Jesus" from www.commonword.ca.
- **Fall Fellowship Feast** potluck at noon.

THIS WEEK

- **Monday, Sept 12, 7:00 pm, Osler Community Garden meeting.**
 - **Tuesday, Sept 13, 3:00 pm, Worship committee meeting at Naomi's.**
 - **Wednesday, Sept 14, 7:00 p.m. Education committee meeting to discuss Osler Bible class and council rep.**
 - **Wednesday, Sept 14, 7:00 pm M & S meeting.**
 - **Thursday, Sept 15, 7:00 pm, Deacons committee meeting.**
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Next Sunday, Sept 18: Sermon: Patty Friesen – "Rempel vs Rempel on communion".

Worship leader: Stephanie Siemens

Song leader: Michelle McKinnell Pianist: Naomi Schellenberg

Sound: Doug McKinnell Children's time: Adeline Cox

Ushers: Susan Braun, Lloyd Sawatzky

Remember in Prayer

-Congratulations to Torben and Sandy, Terri Lynn and Thomas on their recent weddings.

-Jake in his recovery.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Patty's Week: Tues: sermon, visits; Wed: office, M & S mtg; Thurs: deacons: Fri. office.

Patty will be in Russia/Ukraine Sept 21-Oct. 3. Please call Terri Lynn 306-715-5595, Dave Feick 306-270-5031 or Julie Bergen 306-239-0033 for pastoral care needs.

*For a Puppy Love Tour of West Osler: check out wiggly Nova at Chris and Kaytee's, newfie cutie Sammy at Stuckys, powder puff Brian at Pineview Farms, No-Name sweetie at Bruce's.

Terri Lynn's new address (and new name!):

Terri Lynn Friesen

225 Ave E North

Saskatoon, SK S7L 1R6

***Gift for Zachary:** Zachary volunteered his time to work at OMC this summer. We'd like to thank him by sending him a care package. Please bring items or donations to the table in the foyer, and sign the card. **Let's do this today and next Sunday.**

***Fall Fundraiser Planning Monday, Sept. 19, 7:00 p.m.** Any great ideas how to raise \$20,000? Please come to our **Refugee Fundraiser** Planning meeting for an invigorating discussion.

*If you are interested in a volunteer opportunity that will make a difference in someone's life, then we would like to talk to you! **Micah Mission** volunteers provide friendship to people in prison as well as those formerly incarcerated. To learn more please contact Dave at micahcoordinator@gmail.com or 306-653-3099 and/or attend one of our volunteer information sessions: Wednesday, September 28, 2016, 7:00 pm, or Tuesday, November 15, 2016, 7:00 pm Location: the Micah office (in the Kinsmen Activity Place), 226 Avenue V South, Saskatoon

***Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) Saskatchewan Awareness Supper**, Friday, October 28, 2016 at 6:30 pm. It will be held at Nutana Park Mennonite Church, 1701 Ruth St E, Saskatoon. Come hear about MDS from Ross Penner, Director MDS Region V (Canada) Operations. Call 306-342-4344 for reservations.

***From MC Canada: Please pray for the people of Philippines.** Various news agencies report that an explosion in a busy night market in Davao City, Philippines has left at least 14 people dead and dozens injured. Davao is home to Witness workers Dann and Joji Pantoja, their ministry partners Peacebuilders Community, and Coffee for Peace. The market was subsequently closed to the public and people were sent home. Although the cause of the explosion is not yet known, some reports say it may have been an assassination attempt on Philippine president, Rodrigo Duterte, whose extreme hardline responses to those involved in the illegal drug industry are being questioned. Please pray for the friends and family of the deceased, for those who are injured, and for the safety of President Duterte. Pray too, for Dann and Joji who have dedicated their lives to the peacebuilding process and continue to train leaders who will establish Peace and Reconciliation (PAR) teams across the country. May the compassion and mercy of Jesus prevail.

***Heart to Heart wedding shower for Terri Lynn!** We want to "Fill the Freezer and Pack the Pantry" for Terri Lynn on **Monday, October 17, 7:00 pm**. Use your creativity to bring gifts of baking, canning, frozen goods, pantry items.

***CHURCH CUSTODIAN NEEDED:** Applications are now open for the permanent part-time position of custodian. If you are interested in this position or would like a detailed job description, please talk to Dick Braun, Trustees committee chairperson.

***Snack and Coffee Time sign-up sheet** for the fall is now up on the bulletin board. Please sign up to bring snack, make coffee (set up and clean up) or both. Your participation is needed and greatly appreciated.

***A Faith Journey - Women's Retreat.** October 14-15 at Shekinah Retreat Centre. Exploring faith through story, song, and action, the retreat offers women of all ages a chance to come together for a time of rest, renewal, and inspiration. Cost: \$120-full retreat; \$70-one day. Registration forms are available on the bulletin board, or online at www.mcsask.ca. For more information contact Valerie Wiebe, dvwiebe@yourlink.ca, 306-283-4340.

***The TRC Calls Churches to Action** October 14-16, hosted by Bartimaeus Institute at St Andrews College, Saskatoon. Participants from across North America will be gathering to create a learning and responding dialogue, not only between Settlers and Indigenous, but also Canadians and Americans. Registration is limited to 100 persons, for more details visit www.bcm-net.org/node/21

***Living the Good News with Jesus!** is the theme for this year's **Equipping Day on October 22 at Mount Royal Mennonite**. Bryan Moyer Suderman is our plenary speaker and with a great variety of workshops there's something for everyone! Registration forms and details can be found on the bulletin board or at the MC Sask website www.mcsask.ca under the coming events tab. Registration deadline is October 14th.

* Reconciliation Resource Ministries (Sask) Inc. have the following classes available:

- 1) A weekly ***Grief Support Group*** will be beginning Monday, September 12th, 2017 at 6:45 at the Habitat Centre, located at 320 21st Street West and is open to everyone. These sessions run for 13 consecutive weeks. This resource is extremely valuable to heal broken hearts and lives, regardless of the loss - whether it be a spouse, a child, a sibling or loss of a friend.
- 2) On December the 13th, 2016 from 11:00 a.m. to 3 p.m., there will be a seminar entitled ***Surviving the Holidays*** - especially beneficial for those who are not sure how they will survive the Holiday Season without their loved one. Seminar will also be held at 320 21st Street West at the Habitat Centre.
Please contact Jodi Bryant, Grief Share Team Facilitator at Jodi.rministries@gmail.com or by calling [306-717-6679](tel:306-717-6679) for more information and seating availability.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURES:

Psalm 51: 1-12

- ¹ Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy
blot out my transgressions.
- ² Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin.
- ³ For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.
- ⁴ Against you, you alone, have I sinned,
and done what is evil in your sight,
so that you are justified in your sentence
and blameless when you pass judgement.
- ⁵ Indeed, I was born guilty,
a sinner when my mother conceived me.

- ⁶ You desire truth in the inward being;
therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.
- ⁷ Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
- ⁸ Let me hear joy and gladness;
let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.
- ⁹ Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.
- ¹⁰ Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.
- ¹¹ Do not cast me away from your presence,
and do not take your holy spirit from me.
- ¹² Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and sustain in me a willing spirit.

1 Timothy 1:12-17

¹² I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, ¹³even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, ¹⁴and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.