

***MCC Connects:** The MCC Relief Sale will be held at Prairieland Park on June 9 & 10, 2017. The Committee is seeking donations for the silent and live auctions. Contact Denise Martens at denisemartens@gmail.com to register your contribution.

***Station Singers presents a concert** that includes many famous Canadian songwriters. **The Rosthern concert is Thursday Apr 27, 7:30 pm at Station Arts Centre. The concert in Saskatoon is at Mayfair United church on Friday Apr 28, 7:30 pm.** Tickets are available from choir members, Station Arts and McNally Robinson.

YOUTH & INTERGENERATIONAL CALENDAR

May 7 S.S. Hour - Intergenerational Purim Party
 May 19 Youth Discussion Night
 May 26-28 Jr High Retreat at Shekinah

OMC CALENDAR

Apr 27 M & S meeting, 7:00 pm
 Apr 30 Seniors Pizza Supper, 5:00 pm @ Bethany Manor
 May 3 Executive meeting, 1:00 pm
 Deacons meeting, 2:30 pm
 May 4 Council meeting, 7:00 pm
 May 11 Education meeting, 7:00 pm
 May 14 Loose Change Sunday

Worship leader: Wilf Buhler Sound: Doug McKinnell
 Song leader: Kevin Boldt Pianist: Melanie Boldt
 Nursery: Adeline Cox
 Ushers: John Gascho, Anna Peters, Jadrian Guenther

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OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan
 A Welcoming Christian
 Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
 April 23, 2017

Prelude
 Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship
 Invocation

***Hymns: Blue/HWB # 156 “All things bright and beautiful”
 Blue/HWB #117 “Fairest Lord Jesus”**

Sharing Joys and Concerns/Prayer of the Church

Offering / Offertory Prayer

Children’s Time Lacey Braun

Hymn: Blue/HWB #269 “Thine is the glory”

Scripture lesson: Judges 4:4; Matthew 21:1-7

Hymn: Blue/HWB #285 “All hail the power of Jesus’ name”

Sermon: “Deborah” Stephanie Siemens

Hymn: Blue/HWB #275 “Lift your glad voices”

*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.**
- **Beverages & snacks** available after the worship service.
- **Sunday School** for all ages **begins at 11:15 am.**

THIS WEEK

- **Thursday, April 27, M & S meeting, 7:00 pm**

NEXT SUNDAY

- **Senior's Pizza & Pepsi supper at Bethany Manor, 5:00 pm**

UPCOMING SERVICES

Apr 30 "I fed you in the Wilderness", Exodus 16 - Patty Friesen

May 7 "Queen Esther" by Cynthia Wallace and S.S. Purim Party by Terri Lynn Friesen

(Patty and Zachary at Rosthern Mennonite Nursing Home)

May 14 "Justice for all" Exodus 21-23 - Patty Friesen

May 21 The Building of the Tabernacle & OMC 20 yrs, Exodus 26

May 28 "The Golden Calf", Exodus 32 – Patty Friesen

Sunday, April 30: "I Fed You in the Wilderness" Exodus 16 by Patty Friesen

Song leader: Kevin Boldt

Pianist: Melanie Boldt

Worship leader: Christy Martens-Funk

Nursery: Sarah Buhler

Children's time: Patty Friesen

Sound: Doug McKinnell

Ushers: John Gascho, Anna Peters, Jadrian Guenther

***Thank you to Stephanie for preaching on "Deborah" this morning,** using material from her St. Andrew's Class on Old Testament Theology.

Remember in Prayer:

- thanksgiving for Helen Peter's OMC Easter visit and for Julie's 40th
- final exams over for university students
- Zac starting 8 week MCC term at OMC.
- Our sympathies to Kathy Braun and Anne Peters on the death of their brother George Guenther. His funeral was in our church yesterday.
- RJC service week: Adam with Gleaners in BC, Vanessa and Katherine in Alabama.
- MC SK's visioning retreat next weekend: *Refresh, Refocus, Renew*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Patty's Week: Tues. sermon, visits, Weds. office, visits, Thurs. M&S, Fri. MC Sask

Terri Lynn's Week: Mon: office; Tues: visit, SS prep; Wed: office, visit; Thurs: off; Fri: MC SK Pastor's day.

***Welcome Back Zac!** Zachary Stefaniuk will be working on an 8 week MCC Summerbridge term with OMC (details on bulletin board). He will be spending a week with Josh Wallace, Warman Mennonite, a week with Patrick Preheim, Nutana Mennonite and a week with MDS Hague. He will preach at the Mennonite Nursing Home, Bethany Manor, Warman Menno and OMC. He will shadow Patty on visits and will host Weds p.m. community campfires. Please pray for Zac as he grows in his pastoral skills.

Zac is working MDS June 11-17 if any other OMCers would like to join him for that week.

***The church yard maintenance schedule and flower bed sign-up sheet are now on the bulletin board and the yard schedule is in your mailbox. It is your responsibility to trade with someone if the week you are assigned does not work for you.** Any other questions, please talk to a member of the Trustees committee.

***Seniors: Will you be attending the Pizza & Pepsi supper at Bethany Manor on Sunday, April 30th?** Please RSVP by emailing the church office or talk to Patty or Loretta.

To the men of OMC:

This is an invitation for you to come and participate in a support group with the intention of addressing issues surrounding spirituality. Our intention is to create community immersed in the fruits of the Spirit using the practice of Centering Prayer as a foundational "Peace" on our journey.

Openness and sharing are key to discovering the reality of healing. This may include talking through struggles with loneliness, anxiety, depression, as well as fears about death and experience with trauma. This group will also attempt to discuss addictions and the harmful effect they can have on those who suffer as a result.

We may experience healing through sharing but also just as important through listening and cultivating an open heart. Come join us. Dates and times to be determined.

For more information please talk to John Gascho.

***Community Grocery Needs:** Place items in the designated boxes in the foyer. Contact Sandra G. or Margaret D. if you have questions.

***Today at 2:30 pm: Saskatoon Men's Chorus** will be presenting "From Sooke to Sydney". The concert will be at Grace Westminster United Church.

***Tuesday, April 27, 7:00 pm: Mennonite Disaster Service awareness and information evening** at the Warman Bergthaler Church 206, 2nd Ave. N. Come meet Executive Director Kevin King and hear about MDS response to Fort McMurray fires. Music ministry by the Derksen family. Dessert and coffee will be served.

***April 28-29: We are looking for three people from our church** to attend the MCSask's "Refresh, Refocus, Renew" think tank to review the overall programs and perhaps structure of MCSask. The first session will be on April 28, 7-9 PM and April 29, 9-4 PM at Mount Royal Mennonite Church. The cost is \$25 for the session. **Please contact Wilf Buhler** if you or someone you would recommend could attend. A second session will take place in September.

***Saturday, April 29, 7:30 pm: "The Great Canadian Mennonite Opera"** is a play written and performed by the descendants of Isaak Zacharias at Bethany Manor. All are welcome.

***Sunday, April 30, 2:30 pm: A Buncha Guys Spring Concert** - featuring the 20 Year Reunion Choir at Knox United Church, Saskatoon. Doors open at 2:00. Tickets (\$5.00) are available at McNally Robinson, MCC, from any of The Guys or at the door.

***Friday, May 5, 6:15 pm: Bethany Manor Fundraising Dinner Show for Personal Care.** Come and enjoy a traditional Mennonite meal ... Cabbage Rolls, Verenicke & Cream Gravy, Farmer Sausage & Fried Onions, Pluma Moos, Salads, Pie and More! Entertainment by Graham Dyck ... definitely not your traditional Mennonite entertainer! Tickets \$100 each, of which \$75 is tax receiptable. Please call the Bethany Manor Office (306) 242-9019 to reserve your tickets. Should be fun!

***Saturday, May 6, 6:00 pm: Shekinah Fundraising Banquet and Capital Project Launch** at Mount Royal Mennonite Church. Tickets \$25pp. Reserve your tickets online at www.shekinahretreatcentre.org or call 306-945-4929.

***Sunday, May 7, 4-6 p.m.** @ Buhlers 836 Main St: "Welcome to Saskatoon" Faspa potluck for Dennis and Margaret Boldt, City Oslerites and Wannabees. Come with food and advice for successful city living.

***Thursday, May 11, 2-4 pm:** Youth Farm Complex Auxiliary's Annual May Day Tea and Cake Walk Fundraiser in the Mennonite Nursing Home Auditorium. Admission by donation. Proceeds go toward purchasing a Labeling Machine for garments for their laundry department. Everyone welcome!

***May 12 & 13: Historical Geography of the Bible Seminar** at Massey Place Community Church. See poster for details.

***Mennonite Disaster Service** is beginning its response in Fort McMurray and at the Hague satellite site. The Saskatchewan Unit is inviting local daily volunteers, those who want the opportunity to serve with MDS but due to other commitments cannot serve for a full week, to sign up for **the Hague satellite service opportunity** by calling the project office at 431-777-4820 to register.

To sign up for a week or more contact the Weekly Crew Volunteer Coordinator, Darin Bontrager at dbontrager@mds.mennonite.net

***Save the Date: Saturday, May 27th, 7:00 pm, the (Chelsea) Cox/Hecker/Macnab family, now known as "West of the Third"** will bring an evening of music and spoken word entertainment to Osler Mennonite Church as a fundraiser for our Syrian Refugee family. Their 4th annual concert here will again feature tenor Spencer McKnight and pianist Mark Turner and an evening of great music and fun is anticipated. Admission will be by donation, with proceeds to our Refugee fund. Mark your calendar and please tell your friends!

*May 27: RJC Annual Fundraising Golf Tournament. More information and Registration forms on the bulletin board.

*May 28, 2:30 pm: RJC Spring Concert.

*June 23-24, 7: 00 pm: RJC Spring Musical "Sister Act". See poster.

*Read about Mennonite Women Canada's new President and Secretary-Treasurer, as well as update about their projects and what women across Canada are involved in. All this and more in Mennonite Women Canada's latest newsletter now available on CommonWord: www.commonword.ca/go/1168

TODAY'S SCRIPTURES:

Judges 4:4

At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel.

Matthew 21:1-7

Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem

21 When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. ³If anyone says anything to you, just say this, "The Lord needs them." And he will send them immediately.' ⁴This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, ⁵'Tell the daughter of Zion,

Look, your king is coming to you,
humble, and mounted on a donkey,
and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'

⁶The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; ⁷they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them.