

MCC Connects: MCCS is hosting “Raise the Peace Camp” August 21 – 25. The camp will provide an opportunity for youth to learn about peacebuilding. We are looking for volunteers to help cook meals and supervise kids. We would like to borrow 30 sleeping bags and pillows for the week. If your church is looking for a summer service opportunity, consider serving MCC locally by sponsoring the camp monetarily or with food donations. Please contact Gabby Martin at 306.665.2555 for more information.

*Saturday, August 12, 2017, **The 8th Annual Spruce River Folk Festival** take places at the Spruce River Farm (20 km north of Prince Albert on Highway 2). Event begins with pipe ceremony and stories at 10 a.m., and music from 1-6 p.m. Performers include Sparky and the Plugs, Joseph Naytowhow, and Well Sister. Food available on site. For more info or to volunteer, please contact Heather Driedger at 306.763.6224 or email parklandrestorativejustice@gmail.com

Season of Prayer

Lord, what are You calling us to embrace?

We seek to be Your church, O God; help us to know Your will, help us to hear Your voice. Help us as we seek to hold fast to the things, and the people, You are calling us to love.

Worship leader: Christy Martens-Funk Song leader: Kevin Boldt
Pianist: Sandra Horst Sound: Stephanie Siemens
Ushers: Dick Braun, Carl Martens-Funk

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OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan
A Welcoming Christian
Community for Peace

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

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: **Blue/HWB # 663**
Invocation Psalm 16

***Hymns: Blue/HWB #174 “Bless’d be the God of Israel”**
Blue/HWB #366 “God of Grace”

Sharing Joys and Concerns / Prayer of the Church

Offering / Offertory Prayer

Children’s Time Terri Lynn Friesen

Hymn: Blue/HWB #521 “Come, thou fount”

Scripture Lesson: Luke 16:19-31

Hymn: Blue/HWB #143 “Amazing Grace”

Sermon: "The Gift of Suffering" Zachary Stefaniuk

***Hymn: Blue/HWB #491 “Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling”**

*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:

- **Intergenerational Sunday School Event:** Mennonite Olympics! - 11:15 am

Next Sunday, July 30: Chris Buhler preaching

Worship leader: Dave Feick Song leader: Kevin Boldt
Children's time: Vanessa Stefaiuk Pianist: Melanie Boldt
Sound: Dan Schellenberg Ushers: Dick Braun, Carl Martens-Funk

UPCOMING SERVICES

Aug 6 Joint outdoor service with Warman and Aberdeen churches.
Aug 13 Patty Friesen preaching
Aug 20 Patty Friesen preaching

Remember in Prayer:

- for all affected by the forest fires in BC

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Patty's Summer: Please pray for Patty as she is on her national park leave June 19-July 31. She will be back in the office August 1.

Terri Lynn's Week: Mon/Tues: off; Wed: office (am); Thurs: office (am), youth (pm); Fri – Mon: away visiting family in Alberta.
August 1-3 Terri Lynn is away on a youth camping trip

***Bill Braun has moved to Oliver Place.** His address is 212 – 1020 Tiffin Crescent, Saskatoon, SK S7L 6H3. Phone number remains the same, 933-2181.

***Alnouri Update:** The family has an appointment at the embassy on July 28th. If all goes smoothly, we can expect them to be booked on a flight a couple of weeks after that.

***Intergenerational Sunday School events: After the service at 11:15am:** August 20th: OMC Tree Stories with Jake

***August 6 Joint Worship Service with Aberdeen, Warman and Osler.** The service will be at **11:00 am** at Wilf & Ruth Buhler's yard, just south of Osler, and east of Valley Christian Academy. Please plan to stay for the potluck picnic afterwards! Please bring:

- sandwiches (no peanut butter) **AND** salad **OR** dessert,
- your own cup, plate and cutlery,
- camping chairs or picnic blanket

We look forward to worshipping together!

***VBS @ OMC. August 8-10. 6-8 pm.**

***Friendship Inn Opportunities:** There is a new sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for the Friendship Inn for **August 19, and Sept 16.** Please consider joining other OMC folks in serving there this summer!

***Summer Office Schedule and contact:** Terri Lynn will be in the office Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 9 am-3 pm (will leave a note if away for a visit/meeting) during Patty's leave. Days off will be Mon/Tues. Please contact Terri Lynn on her cell phone for urgent matters at [306-715-5595](tel:306-715-5595).

***Church yard maintenance: Steve & Jan Guenther and Clint Neufeld & Rachel Buhler are scheduled for July 24-29.** It is your responsibility to trade with someone if the week you are assigned does not work for you.

***Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) receiving financial donations for forest fires in British Columbia.** People in BC have already lost houses to the fires and we are planning for MDS volunteers to help in the recovery phase of this disaster. MDS is accepting financial donations for that recovery. For further updates on the MDS response and financial donations go to <https://mds.mennonite.net/> or call the MDS office at 1-866-261-1274.

***Save the date reminders from MC Sask:**

September 15 & 16 *Refresh, Refocus, Renew Fall Mini Retreat at Wildwood Mennonite*

October 13-15 *MC Canada Assembly in Winnipeg*

October 28 *MC Sask Equipping Day at Zoar Waldheim*

***MC Sask in on the move!** At the end of August, MC Sask will be moving to the Mennonite Central Committee Saskatchewan Center, located at **600 45th St. West** in Saskatoon.

***Shared Land/Shared Song: Music under the Arbor.** Sunday, Aug. 20 at 3:00 pm. at the Arbor at Muskeg Lake Cree Nation. Come and enjoy an afternoon of music and dance, featuring a Mennonite Choir and Muskeg Lake musicians and dancers, and maybe a circle game or two. The concert will be followed by a potluck. Meat will be provided, but please bring a salad and desert to share. Bring lawn chairs. For more information contact Valerie Wiebe [/dvwiebe@yourlink.ca](mailto:dvwiebe@yourlink.ca) /306-283-4340

YOUTH:

VBS Casting Call: Youth, we need your mad acting and artistic skillllzzz for our VBS drama skits from August 8-10. You can volunteer to be an assistant leader too! We need your help to make VBS awesome. Talk to Terri Lynn to find the perfect way for you to plug in.

Thursday Night hang outs: the church is open Thursday nights from 7-9:30pm to hang out in the gym, or the youth room for art, games or a movie. Friends are more than welcome. Mentors welcome too.

TODAY’S SCRIPTURE: Luke 16:19-31

19 ‘There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴He called out, “Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.” ²⁵But Abraham said, “Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.” ²⁷He said, “Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house— ²⁸for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.” ²⁹Abraham replied, “They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.” ³⁰He said, “No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.” ³¹He said to him, “If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.” ’