

**MCC Connects:** MCC Service Opportunity - The Cambodia Exchange Coordinator(s) helps to make smooth connections between Cambodia, North America and other parts of the Global South for the participants of the young adult exchange programs (SALT, YAMEN! and IVEP), university groups and learning tours and the communities that host them. Start date is May 1, 2018. Because of the workload, and in order to support both young men and young women, couples will be considered over single applicants for this position. For more information contact [EricaBaerwald@mccsk.ca](mailto:EricaBaerwald@mccsk.ca)

**MCC is responding to many disasters around the world.**

Visit [mcccanada.ca/learn/what/relief/disasters](http://mcccanada.ca/learn/what/relief/disasters) to learn more about our relief projects and give today to help provide assistance and to support communities as they rebuild.

**OMC CALENDAR**

Oct 2 “Labour of Love” soup making bee, 7:00 pm  
Oct 8 Thanksgiving, Communion & Potluck  
Oct 8 S.S. Forum, 11:15 am with Patty Friesen  
Oct 11 Worship committee mtg, 7:00 pm  
Oct 12 Council mtg, 7:00 pm  
Oct 14 Intergenerational Field Trip to Wanuskewin, 2-4 pm  
Oct 14 Youth – 6:30-8:30 pm  
Oct 21 Serving at Friendship Inn  
Oct 23-27 Blanket making, 9:00 am each morning  
Oct 30 Heart to Heart, 7:00 pm

Worship leader: Dave Feick      Song leader: Loretta Sawatzky  
Pianist: Mark Bigland-Pritchard      Sound: Stephanie Siemens  
Ushers: Harold Loewen, Lloyd Sawatzky

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**OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH**

Osler, Saskatchewan  
A Welcoming Christian  
Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service  
October 1, 2017

Prelude  
Welcome and Announcements

**Call to Worship: (from Psalm 84, Isaiah 12 and 40)**

Leader: Blessed are those whose strength is in God, whose hearts are set on pilgrimage.

**People: God does not faint or grow weary. God gives power to those who are exhausted, and to the weak. God increases strength.**

Leader: They who wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with eagles' wings. They shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

**People: God is our strength and song! God has become our salvation!**

Invocation

**\*Hymn: HWB #36 “God of our strength”**

Sharing Joys & Concerns / Prayer of the Church

Offering & Offertory Prayer

Children's Time      Dan Richert

**Hymn: Blue/HWB #401 “This little light of mine”**

Readers Theatre: Adapted from Deuteronomy 6:1-12; 8:17-18;  
Philippians 2:1-13

**Hymn: Purple/SS #55**      “Love the Lord your God”

Reflections: “Using our gifts”      Christy Martens-Funk

**Hymn: Blue/HWB #53**      “God of the earth, the sky, the sea”

**\*Benediction:** (from Psalm 105, Isaiah 4 and Hebrews 12)

Leader: Those who wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength.

Look to the Lord and seek God’s strength continually.

**People: We will seek to love God with heart and soul and mind and strength!**

Leader: Lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees; make straight paths for your feet!

**People: Let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.**

**\*Hymn: Blue/HWB #546**      “Guide my feet”      (\*Please rise)  
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**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 9:15 am.
- **Beverages & snacks** available after the worship service.
- **Sunday School** for all ages begins at 11:15 am.

## THIS WEEK

- **Monday, October 2, 7:00 pm** “Love” Soup making.

## NEXT SUNDAY

- **11:15 SS Forum:** Quest for Respect Sermon Response with Patty
- **Thanksgiving Potluck** with Susan Braun, Rachel Buhler and **Group A-C on Lunch Committee duty.**

**Next Sunday, Oct 8: Thanksgiving and Communion Sunday:**

Quest for Respect I by Patty Friesen

Song leader: Art Zacharias      Worship Leader: Stephanie Siemens

Pianist: Mark Bigland-Pritchard      Children’s Time: Adeline Cox

Sound:      Ushers: Harold L; Lloyd S

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## UPCOMING SERVICES

Oct. 15: Quest for Respect 2 by Patty Friesen

Oct. 22: Quest for Respect 3 by Patty Friesen & Harold Loewen

Oct. 29: Quest for Respect 4 by Patrick Preheim

Nov. 5: Canadian Foodgrains by Rick Block

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Upcoming Adult Education:

Oct. 15: 11:15 Mosaic Class,

11:15 Blue Room Class: Quest for Respect with Patty

Oct. 22: 11:15 Mosaic Class,

11:15 Blue Room Class: Quest for Respect with Patty

Oct. 29: 11:15 Mosaic Class,

11:15 Blue Room Class: Quest for Respect with Patrick

Nov. 5: 11:15 SS Forum with Rick Block

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**Patty's Week:** Tues: sermon, spiritual care meeting; Wed: office, exec; Thurs: Forever in Motion; Fri: office, visits.

**Terri Lynn's Week:** Mon: Love Soup making (pm); Wed: CPE, visit (pm); Thurs: visits; Fri: office (am).

## Remember in Prayer:

-Stephanie, Susan and Patty are worshipping and potlucking today at Herschel Mennonite.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*Thank you to everyone who attended last Sunday's Listening and Discernment gathering with MC Sask reps.

\***Thank you to Lyle and Linda** for their gigantic pumpkins. **Please feel free to bring vegetables for next week’s** Thanksgiving display.

\***Next Sunday we are having a Thanksgiving Potluck.** Group A-C is in charge of Lunch Committee duties.

\***Roberto Gomez and Amalia Aldana**, along with Robert and Loren have moved to Montreal. Loren has graduated from high school in Grande Prairie and is taking the next year off. Robert is in grade 9. Their address is: 6 rue de la Montagne, Laval, Quebec H7L 1B9 [amaliaaldana@gmail.com](mailto:amaliaaldana@gmail.com) Tel: 1 587 343 0247

\*“The Shekinah Retreat Centre Board, together with MC Sask, are announcing that Nick Parkes is no longer the Executive Director at Shekinah. Kirsten Hamm-Epp is taking a 6 month leave from her position as Area Church Youth Minister to become the Interim Executive Director at Shekinah as the Shekinah Board looks for a new ED. Nick’s dedicated service in many areas has been greatly appreciated, however the board believes that in order to fulfill Shekinah’s mission, a different approach is needed moving forward. Your prayers for our future are appreciated.”

**\*Save the Dates:**

- Oct. 21: RJC Homecoming Banquet fundraiser
- Oct 23-27: Blanket making at OMC
- Oct 30: Heart to Heart, 7:00 pm
- Nov.18: English/Low German Refugee Fundraiser at OMC

**\*Parkville Manor in Saskatoon is now offering Respite Stays.** See poster on the bulletin board for more information.

**\*Please sign up for coffee & snack time.** We need your support to keep this program going.

\*If you would like to assist with Sunday school this coming year, you may sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board or speak with Steve Guenther or John Reddekopp.

**\*Walk the Talk Teach-In.** Come and join us at St. Thomas More College Auditorium, Friday, **October 6** at 7:00 pm, to learn more about The United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) Bill C-262. To learn more go to [www.pfir.ca](http://www.pfir.ca). This event is sponsored by St. Thomas More College, MC Canada, & MC Sask.

**\*Congratulations to Braden Martens-Funk, Keri Siebert, Kathryn Janzen and James Tataryn for their 50 km Ride for Refuge** which raised over \$1000.00 for the Bridge Fellowship Centre.

**\*Monday, October 2 at 7:00 pm- Labour of Love Soup Making & Freezing** for Community Need, Elders and Winter Surgery Recovery. Contact Adeline or Terri Lynn for more information.

\*Tuesday, October 3, 9:00 – 3:00, Spotlight on Seniors at TCU Place in Saskatoon with giveaways at booths and helpful information for services.

**\*Canadian Mennonite Subscriptions:** For anyone who would like a subscription to this magazine and doesn’t already have one, compliments of OMC, please let the office know by October 9<sup>th</sup>.

**\*RJC/SYO Concert, today @ 2:30pm:** The Rosthern Junior College Choir and Saskatoon Youth Orchestra will present a Fall Concert at RJC. The concert will reflect the work done by both groups during their weekend workshop on campus. Hear each group perform their own pieces, and combine for a couple of songs together. RJC and the SYO have cooperated for their fall workshop for over 19 years! Admission is by donation.

**\*MCC Blanket making on October 23-27** starting at 9:00 a.m. each morning. MCC provides material aid assistance to refugees and displaced people in the world and we want to help by providing blankets. Please come out and spend a few hours, a day or the week making blankets.

**Youth:**

October 14 - 6:30-8:30pm @ OMC

October 28 - 7pm - Mega Menno Event @ Mount Royal Mennonite Church

**\*Forever In Motion Seniors Exercise:** Our Fall Kick-Off is on **Tuesday, October 10**, 10:00 a.m. at the Community Hall. Join us every Tuesday and Friday at 10:00 for gentle stretches for increased flexibility and well-being. Please wear sturdy shoes and bring a water bottle. Men welcome!

**\*Saturday, October 14, 2:00-4:00: Holy Hikers/ Intergenerational Field Trip** to Wanuskewin to watch dancing and then have a hike.

**\*"Yellow Bellies" by Theatre of the Beat, Oct 18**, 7 pm at Wildwood Mennonite Church in Saskatoon "Yellow Bellies" an historical drama telling the story of Mennonite Conscientious Objectors during WWII. Sponsored by MCC SK, Nutana Park MC, and Wildwood MC. Admission by donation; bring a friend!

**\*Call to Prayer for MC Canada Special Assembly**  
Mennonite Church Canada, MC Sask and Area Church leaders across Canada are requesting that **all congregations in MC Canada set aside time to pray for the Future Directions:** Covenant New nationwide restructuring process. We invite your prayers for Calvin Quan as he moderates the Special Assembly, for others who are providing Assembly leadership or support and for delegates who participate. The special Assembly is an important juncture in our life together as a denomination. It will shape how we engage together in our common mission. Pray for the Assembly participants as they discern the wisdom of the Spirit, as we seek to align our church structures with how God is at work among us and in the wider world.

**\*RJC Alumni Tournament, October 13 & 14** - Every year RJC Alumni organizes and hosts a homecoming weekend featuring friendly competition in volleyball and soccer. If you are an alumnus (or friend or spouse of an alumnus) or if your child is playing in the tournament, come join in the fun. Soccer will be Saturday only - meet in the Rehearsal Hall at 10:00 and bring a white and dark t-shirt and \$5.00. Email Denelda at [deneldafast@hotmail.com](mailto:deneldafast@hotmail.com) to register for volleyball by October 10th or for more information. A delicious lunch will be available in the Rehearsal Hall between 11:00 and 1:00. Don't miss out on seeing some old friends!

**\*RJC Homecoming Dinner. October 21, 6:00 pm - "AIRJC Come Fly with Us - Celebrating 20 years of Service"**. This year's fundraising dinner at the school will celebrate 20 years of the ALSO program at RJC. Reception will start at 6:00 pm and Dinner/Program will begin at 6:30 pm. **Space will be limited** so reserve your spot early! Reservations are complimentary but must be reserved by calling the RJC school office by October 13th at 306.232.4222 or by email at [office@rjc.sk.ca](mailto:office@rjc.sk.ca)

**\*Calling all RJC alumni** to join us at the *AIRJC* Homecoming Banquet, October 21st to perform a few numbers in an Alumni Choir under the direction of Duff Warkentin. Music will be chosen and available ahead of time and there will be one practice leading up to the performance. If you are interested, please contact Tammy Forrester at [tammy.forrester@rosthernjuniorcollege.ca](mailto:tammy.forrester@rosthernjuniorcollege.ca)

**\*Equipping Ourselves to Refresh, Refocus, Renew** is the theme for our 2017 Equipping Day on **Oct 28** at Zoar Mennonite Church, Waldheim. Everyone is invited to come and participate in workshops on a variety of themes, such as: **"Will our Children have Faith?"** Is this a new question for today's generation, or has every generation asked this same question? What is faith and how do we pass it on to our children? What does our children's faith say about our faith? Come join us and explore the question and come to share your experiences too.. **Registration forms are now on the bulletin board. Please let Wilf know if you are planning to attend.**

**\*November 3-4: "Embrace your Calling" - A women's retreat at Shekinah.** See poster for more details.

**\*Saturday, November 4: MCCS Encounter & AGM.** 9:00 am – 4:30 pm at Cornerstone Church. Registration forms are on the bulletin board. **Please let Wilf know if you are planning to attend.**