MCC Connects: The 2017 MCC Peace Packet is ready! Use it as a resource to explore what it means to be peace builders in our local contexts. September 21 is International Day of Peace and November 12 is Peace Sunday. This year's packet focuses on the theme "praying for peace". It consists of prayers for peace solicited from MCC workers, staff, and partners from around the world. Find the packet and additional resources at mcccanada.ca/peace-sunday

OMC CALENDAR

Sept 24	MC Sask/OMC Listening & Discernment Faspa
1	meeting, 5:00 pm. Please bring goodies for faspa.
Sept 27	Deacons meeting, 12:45 pm
Sept 30	Ancient Echoes Tour in Herschel. Meet at 7:30 am.
Sept 30	Mega Menno Youth outdoor movie @ Nutana Park
Oct 2	"Labour of Love" soup making bee, 7:00 pm
Oct 8	Thanksgiving & Communion service
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 21	Serving at Friendship Inn

Worship leader: John Reddekopp Song leader: Kevin Boldt Pianist: Melanie Boldt Sound: Chris Buhler Ushers: Cornie Guenther, John Gascho

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10:00 a.m. Worship Service September 24, 2017

Prelude Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: Leader: Open your hearts to God's loving mercy. People: Lord, come into our hearts this day. Leader: We have received God's mercy! Let us bring that love to others. People: Lord, be with us as we reach out to others in compassion. Leader: Feel your spirits being filled with the goodness of God. People: Lord, we thank you for the many blessings which you pour into our lives. Amen.

Invocation

*Hymns: Green/SJ #3 "Jesus calls us here to meet him" Blue/HWB #319 "Glorious things of thee are spoken"

Sharing Joys & Concerns / Prayer of the Church

Offering & Offertory Prayer

Children's Time

IVEP'ers

Hymn: Blue/HWB #90 "For the fruit of all creation"

Scriptures: Matthew 9: 35-38; Matthew 20:1-16 **Readers** Theatre

Hymn: Blue/HWB #391 "God, whose farm is all creation" Sermon: "Bearing fruit for the harvest" Florence Driedger

*Hymn: Blue/HWB #478 "Sent forth by God's blessing"

*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

- **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.

• MCSask/OMC Listening & Discernment Faspa 5:00 pm. Please bring goodies for faspa. *Lunch group M-Z in charge*. THIS WEEK

- Wednesday, Sept 27, 12:45 pm, Deacons meeting
- Saturday, Sept 30: Ancient Echoes Tour. Please meet at the church at 7:30 am.
- Sat, Sept 30: Youth-Mega Menno Outdoor Event @ Nutana, 7 pm. Please bring \$2 for snacks, and dress warmly.

Next Sunday, Oct 1: Stewardship: Readings and Songs

Song leader: Loretta Sawatzky Pianist: Mark Bigland-Pritchard Sound: Doug McKinnell

Worship Leader: Dave Feick Children's Time: Dan Richert Ushers: Harold L; Lloyd S

UPCOMING SERVICES

- Oct 8 Thanksgiving, Communion & Potluck Patty preaching
- Oct. 15 Indigenous Relations Part I by Patty Friesen
- Oct. 22 Indigenous Relations Part 2 by Patty Friesen & Harold Loewen
- Oct. 29 Muslim Relations by Patrick Preheim

Patty's Week: Today: Doing Nothing, Faspa; Tues: FIM; Wed: office, visits; Fri: office, visits;Sat: Ancient Echoes; Sun: Herschel Mennonite Church.

Terri Lynn's Week: Today: youth & IVEPers at Corn Maze, Listening & Discernment workshop; Mon/Tues: Off; Wed: CPE; Thurs: office; Fri: office (am); Sat: Mega Menno event.

Remember in Prayer:

-Michelle and Diana's Round 2 surgeries -Patricia's finalized refugee status -Julie's last worship service at City Hospital this morning as Spiritual Care closes in public hospitals. -Julie's new job at Circle Drive Special Care Home -new IVEPers, -Dave F preaching in Langham -Lucy and Susan leading Forever-in-Motion, -harvest -Prairie Goats on the Ride for Refuge: Keri, James and Kathryn doing 50 km for The Bridge -we uphold Katherine Penner as she joins the SMYO committee; and rejoice with her as she receives a scholarship through MC Sask Student Education.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*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.

*Thursday, September 28: Youth Farm Bible Camp's Fall Supper fundraiser will from 5-7 pm. Admission by donation.

*Ride for Refuge: September 30th, the Prairie Goats will be riding to support The Bridge Fellowship Centre. To support the Prairie Goats, there are donation sheets on the bulletin board or give directly through the Ride for Refuge website. If you would like to join the ride, just check in with team members; Keri, Kathryn or James. The more the merrier! Cash or cheque donations can be given to Keri or Kathryn for safe keeping 'til ride day. *Climate Justice Saskatoon: Mark Bigland-Pritchard, Myriam Ullah, Torrey Falconer and Craig Friesen are planning to host workshops on September 24th 4:30-8:30pm.

The workshops will take place at the MCC office $(600 \ 45 \text{th St W.})$, and will include a (simple) potluck meal.

If interested, please let Torrey Falconer know and he will be happy to sign you up! 306-665-2555 <u>www.mccsk.ca</u>

*Ancient Echoes Tour, Saturday, Sept 30. The M & S Committee is offering you a choice of a day or overnight event to Ancient Echoes near Hershel, SK. The cost for the Day Event is \$20.00, which includes lunch, and the Overnight Event is \$150.00 (\$135.00 for seniors), which includes three home cooked meals. We plan to carpool and ask that you be prepared to give an honorarium to the driver. For more information, check out the pamphlet on the bulletin board or talk to Sandra Grismer (306-380-4576) or Jean Harms (306-227-0937). If you are interested please <u>sign up on the bulletin board</u> <u>sheet by Tuesday, September 26th</u>. We will meet at the church at 7:30 a.m. on September 30th so that we can arrive at Ancient Echoes by 10:00 a.m. The day participants will arrive back in Osler by 6 p.m.

*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 1: Shekinah Fundraising Chili Supper at OMC
-Nov.18: English/Low German Refugee Fundraiser at OMC

*Forever In Motion Seniors Exercise: Our Fall Kick-Off is on **Tuesday, October 10**, 10:00 a.m. at the Community Hall with free lunch to follow. Join us every Tuesday and Friday at 10:00 for gentle stretches for increased flexibility and well-being

***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.

*Monday, October 2 at 7:00 pm- Labour of Love Soup Making for Community Need, Elders and Winter Surgery Recovery. Please bring pressure cookers and food processors. Contact Adeline or Terri Lynn for more information.

***October 8, 11:15 am: Sunday School Forum -** "Sermon Response" with Patty.

*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.

<u>*Church yard maintenance</u>: Glen & Sandra Grismer and Lyle & Linda Stucky are scheduled for Sept 25-30. It is your responsibility to trade with someone if the week you are assigned does not work for you.

***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. This town hall meeting will provide opportunity to learn about the importance of UNDRIP in the journey towards reconciliation and to participate in a post card campaign to encourage Members of Parliament to adopt this bill. To learn more go to <u>www.pfir.ca</u>. This event is sponsored by St. Thomas More College, MC Canada, & MC Sask.

*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!

*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. 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.

***SMYO** is looking to acquire Accompaniment Books for Hymnal Worship Book, Sing the Journey, and Sing the Story. If you have slightly used (or new) copies you would be willing to donate, it would be greatly appreciated! Contact the MC Sask office to donate, 306-249-4844, mcsask@mcsask.ca

***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 <u>deneldafast@hotmail.com</u> 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!

*Calling all RJC alumni to join us at the *AI*RJC 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 <u>tammy.forrester@rosthernjuniorcollege.ca</u>

TODAYS SCRIPTURES: Matthew 9: 35-38

35 Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. ³⁶When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; ³⁸therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.'

Matthew 20:1-16

'For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. ³When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; ⁴ and he said to them, "You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right." So they went. ⁵When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same.⁶And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, "Why are you standing here idle all day?" ⁷They said to him, "Because no one has hired us." He said to them, "You also go into the vineyard." ⁸When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, "Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first." ⁹When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. ¹⁰Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. ¹¹And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹²saving, "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat." ¹³But he replied to one of them, "Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?" ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first will be last.'