

MCC Connects: MCCS is excited to announce Grow Hope Saskatchewan, a project that allows you to become a farmer by sponsoring an acre of farmland in rural Saskatchewan. Funds raised through the project are matched up to 4:1, and will be used by MCC to support people around the world with emergency food supplies and long-term food security. This first Saskatchewan project is a unique partnership with the Saskatoon Catholic Diocese and their agency, Development and Peace. For more information please visit mccsk.ca/grow-hope or call our office at 306.665.2555.

***My Coins Count, an MCC fundraiser,** encourages kids to collect coins to bring to the annual Relief Sale. This year's fund supports education in Bolivia.

***June 8-9: MCC Relief Sale & Auction** information is now in your church mailboxes along with "**Grow Hope**" brochures with information about **Canadian Foodgrains Bank** initiatives. Be part of the Relief, development and peace work of MCCS in the name of Christ.

OMC CALENDAR

May 2 Deacons meeting, 12:45 pm
 May 10 Council meeting, 7:00 pm
 May 15 Worship committee meeting, 7:00 pm
 May 17 Missions & Service meeting, 7:00 pm
 May 20 Pentecost and Communion

Worship Leader: Julie Bergen Pianist: Naomi Schellenberg
 Song leader: Loretta Sawatzky Nursery: Lucy Friesen
 Sound: Chris Buhler
 Ushers: Anna Peters, Carl Martens-Funk

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OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan
 A Welcoming Christian
 Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
 April 29, 2018

Prelude
 Welcome/Announcements

Call to Worship:
 From John 13:34-35, the words of Jesus:
*"I give you a new commandment, that you love one another.
 Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.
 By this everyone will know that you are my disciples,
 if you have love for one another."*

Invocation

***Hymns: Blue/HWB #12 "Come let us all unite to sing"**
Blue/HWB #522 "My Jesus I love thee"

Sharing of Joys & Concerns / Prayer of the Church

Offering / Offertory Prayer

Children's Time Matthew Stefaniuk & Dayna Goerzen

Hymn: Purple/SS #115 "Beauty for brokenness"

Scripture lesson: 1 John 4:7-21

Hymn: Purple/SS #121 "Nothing is lost on the breath of God"

Sermon: "Love one another – It's that Easy and that Difficult"
 -Dan Richert

Moment of Silent Reflection

***Hymn: Green/SJ #49 “Rain down”**

*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

- **Wednesday, May 2, 12:45 pm: Deacons meeting**
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May 6: Heather Peters, MCCSK, preaching

Worship Leader: John Reddekopp Pianist: Lynette Janzen
Song leader: Kathryn Janzen Sound: Doug McKinnell
Children’s Time: Marlene Campbell
Nursery: Sarah Buhler Ushers: Harold Loewen, Susan Braun

Patty's Week: Today: hunting crocuses; Tues: sermon, Community Garden; Wed: office, deacons; Fri. office, visits.

Terri Lynn's Week: Terri Lynn is on holidays April 24 - May 2 inclusive for Thomas' Spiritual Direction graduation and visiting family on the west coast.

UPCOMING SERVICES

May 13 Patty Friesen preaching
May 20 Pentecost – Patty Friesen preaching
May 27 Jan Bigland-Pritchard preaching

Remember in Prayer:

- Ruth, and her extended family, at the death of Ruth’s sister Anne.
- Dave preaching in Hanley and Dave's dad's health.
- Deanna, Sarah and Doug in hospital -Art's hip surgery
- Orville Andres' death (founder of P2P)
- Vanessa, Katherine and Adam on Service Trips
- Thank you to Christy, Terri Lynn and deacons who stepped in during Sarah and Cornie's medical emergencies and to everyone who has prayed, visited and sung for Sarah and Deanna these weeks of hospitalization.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***Thank you to everyone for prayers, cards, caring words and hugs.** Thank you also to all who helped prepare and serve lunch at Marge’s funeral. Your kindness and concern for our family means a great deal to us. Bill Braun and family

***Saturday, May 5th, 11:00 am: 90th Anniversary Blessing** on the site where the first meeting was held to plan the start of Osler Mennonite Church. Complimentary Wiener Roast to follow at Ross & Val Wiebe’s farm. Please bring your own lawn chairs.

-Sponsored by the 90th Anniversary committee

***The Alnouri family has arrived!:** We welcome Akram, Ana, Buthayna and Mohammad living at #423 - 310 Herold Road, Saskatoon. 306-280-0225.

Bassam and Hiba living at 1912 Main Street, Saskatoon. 306-280-2161. (At this time they speak only Arabic)
Their photos and family tree is on the bulletin board.

***Shekinah Camp Early Registration:** Camp is about to start and there is an early bird discount of \$20 off each camper’s registration, but the deadline is coming up FAST! To get the discount make sure to register by April 30th with easy online registration.

<https://shekinahretreatcentre.org/index.php/summer-camp/online-registration>

***OMC stories** The 90th Anniversary Committee hopes you have been enjoying the weekly OMC stories shared by OMC congregants and read before each Sunday worship service. These personal stories are a vital part of OMC history. As a church family we have shared much and continue to share a lot. Please share your OMC story. Send it to Sandra Grismer at sgrismer1@sasktel.net (remember to include the "1") or drop it off in the Grismer church mailbox. New attendee or lifer, old or young, there are not limitations for authorship. Please keep your story to 250 word maximum. Missed a story? Each week, the latest story is added to the Anniversary Facebook page at *Osler Mennonite Church's 90th Anniversary Celebration*.

***Thomas & Terri Lynn** are hosting the Vine & Table's 1st Open House - we'd love to share with you this labour-of-love in progress! Please feel free to stop by for snacks and a tour!

- **Friday May 11** (5-8pm) and **Saturday May 12** (2-5pm) at 419 Ave E South. You can learn more about our vision for the Vine & Table at vineandtable.ca.

OMC YOUTH CALENDAR

MAY EVENTS:

Saturday May 12 - Youth Group

Monday, May 14th - Valley-Wide Youth Worship Night at Waldheim MB; 7-9:30pm. ([5003 2nd Ave E, Waldheim, SK](http://www.waldheim.mb.ca)). I'd be happy to coordinate rides from OMC if any youth are interested in going. It would be a great chance for youth to be part of a bigger youth event. Please let me know if your youth are interested.

May 25-27 - Jr. Youth Retreat @ Youth Farm for Grades 6-9. I'll pass on registration info when it's available!

JUNE EVENTS:

June 8-9 - MCC Relief Sale @ Prairieland Park in Saskatoon. MC SK is asking Youth Groups to run the Kids' Corner again this year, so please mark this on your calendar.

***May 9, 7:00-9:00 pm: Indigenous Awareness Presentation** at the Brian King Centre in Warman. There are more details on the poster on the bulletin board.

***Thursday, May 10, 2:00-4:00 pm:** The Youth Farm Complex Auxiliary's Annual May Day Tea and Cake Walk Fundraiser will be in the Mennonite Nursing Home Auditorium. Admission by donation. The proceeds from the Tea will go towards purchasing a towel warmer for the Care Department. Everyone welcome!

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: 1 John 4:7-21

7 Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. ⁸Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. ⁹God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent God's only Son into the world so that we might live through him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we loved God but that God loved us and sent God's Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. ¹²No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and God's love is perfected in us.

13 By this we know that we abide in God and God in us, because God has given us of God's Spirit. ¹⁴And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Saviour of the world. ¹⁵God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. ¹⁶So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. ¹⁷Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgement, because as God is, so are we in this world. ¹⁸There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. ¹⁹We love because God first loved us. ²⁰Those who say, 'I love God', and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. ²¹The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.