

MCC Connects: Save the date! The 2018 MCC Relief Sale & Auction will be held on June 8 & 9 at Prairieland Park, in Saskatoon. This year's theme is **Rebuilding Lives**. To volunteer or donate auction items or baking, please contact Denise Martens at 306.270.9648 or denisemartens@gmail.com.

OMC CALENDAR

Apr 12 Council meeting, 7:00 pm
Apr 13 OMC 90th committee meeting, 10:00 am
Apr 14 Seedy Saturday, 1:00-2:30 pm
Apr 15 Senior's Pizza supper at Bethany Manor, 5:00 pm
Apr 19 M & S meeting, 7:00 pm

OMC YOUTH CALENDAR

Regular youth nights:

Sat April 14: 6:30-8:30
Sat April 28: 6:30-8:30

***Save the Date:** Jr. High Retreat (Gr. 6-9) May 25-27 at Youth Farm Bible Camp

Worship Leader: Terry Stefaniuk Pianist: Mark Bigland-Pritchard
Song leader: Michelle McKinnell Nursery: Diana Buhler
Sound: Dick Braun 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 8, 2018

“Easter Part 2”

Prelude
Welcome/Announcements

Call to Worship
Invocation

Choir: “Gloria in Excelsis”

Sharing of Joys & Concerns / Prayer of the Church

***Hymns: Blue/HWB #274 “O sons and daughters, let us sing”**
Blue/HWB #343 “My hope is built on nothing less”

Offering / Offertory Prayer

Children's Time Terri Lynn Friesen

Choir: “Seek ye the Lord”

Scripture lessons: Psalm 133; John 20:19-31; Luke 24:13-35

Hymn: Blue/HWB #653 “Abide with me”

Sermon: “The Slow Dawn of Hope” George Janzen

Moment of Silent Reflection

***Hymn: Blue/HWB #570 “We walk by faith”**

*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 12, Council meeting, 7:00 pm.**
- **Friday, April 13, OMC 90th anniversary committee meeting, 10:00 am.**
- **Seedy Saturday, 1:00-2:30 pm**
- **Saturday, April 14, Youth meeting, 6:30-8:30 pm**

NEXT SUNDAY

- **Senior's Appreciation Supper at Bethany Manor, 5:00 pm.** Please let Loretta know if you plan to attend.

April 15: "Peter and John went to Pray" - Patty Friesen

Worship Leader: Ian Osmond Pianist: Mark Bigland-Pritchard

Song leader: Michelle McKinnell Sound: Stephanie Siemens

Children's Time: Kathy Braun Nursery: Adeline Cox

Ushers: Anna Peters, Carl Martens-Funk

Patty's Week: April 10-12: Historic Church Tour; Fri: office

Terri Lynn's Week: Tues: MCC Reconciliation mtg (pm); Wed: CPE (final assessment); Thurs: Council; Fri: office (am); Sat: Osler
Seedy Saturday, Youth Group (pm)

UPCOMING SERVICES

April 22 "Peter and John on Trial" by Patty Friesen

April 29 Dan Richert preaching

May 6 Heather Peters from MCCA is preaching

May 13 Patty Friesen preaching

Remember in Prayer:

-Sarah G, Deanna R, and Marge B in hospital.

-Cornie G recovering from surgery.

-University students writing exams.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***Circle of Care for Cornie and Sarah: While Sarah is recovering at RUH, we would like to support Cornie** with rides to RUH, and with meals. If you could bring a hot meal for Cornie, please sign up on the sheet on the back bulletin board. If you are going to Saskatoon and can assist Cornie in visiting Sarah at RUH, please speak with him directly.

*Congratulations to Brian and Joannie Peters (of San Francisco, CA) on the birth of a son, Emerson William, on April 3. The delighted grandparents are Bill and Anna Peters!

***Helen Peters**, Warman Special Care Home will be received as a new member, Sunday, April 15. We have appreciated Helen's presence with us in spirit.

***Sunday, April 15, 5:00 pm at Bethany Manor: The invitations are out for our Seniors Appreciation Pizza supper!** Please rsvp to Patty, Loretta or church office.

***Slow Food Saskatoon Lunch and Local Food Tour**, hosted at OMC, Friday, April 20, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Go to Slow Food Saskatoon for tickets. \$43.45.

***This is an open invitation** to those who would like to participate in an evening of short meditation, followed by a time of sharing and reflection, then a time of silent prayer. **We meet Tuesday's at 7:30 pm** in the youth room. Any questions can be directed to John Gascho, Dave Feick, or Harold Loewen.

***Cabin Project Update from Shekinah:** With over 50 volunteers helping out, so far, the new Timber Frame cabin project is off to a great start! The timber frame is up, and now the work has moved on to building wall panels, staining, and a variety of other tasks that remain to be done. Thank you to everyone who has helped, either by donating, praying, or showing up to help with the work. Take a look at what we can do together on our Facebook page at Shekinah Summer Camp.

***Spring Banquet in the Woods:** Parkland Restorative Justice invites you to their 3rd Annual Fundraiser on Saturday, April 28. To reserve call 306-763-6224 or email heather@parklandrj.com. Reservation **deadline is April 20**. See poster for more details.

***Please join Terri Lynn in attending!** - MC Sask invites you to a **ReLearning Community** (<https://mcec.ca/relearning-community-0>) **Taster Day on Saturday, April 21**, 2018 at First Mennonite Church, Saskatoon at 9:30 am. Norm Dyck, Mission Engagement Minister of MCEC will be leading the workshop. Cost will be \$10 (to cover lunch). Please register at www.mcsask.ca or call Ryan at 306.249.4844.

***April 22, 2:00 pm Zoar Mennonite Church (Langham) Closing Service of the 1910 Building** in preparation for move to New Building, followed by lunch.

***April 22, 3:00pm** - You are invited to *An Afternoon of Song "Let the Earth be Renewed"* at the Muskeg Lake Church; another Music Event where Mennonite and Muskeg Lake musicians share in celebrating the resurrection and new life. A Pot-luck meal will follow. Co-sponsored by "Walking the Path" Committee, MC Sask/MCCSk, and Muskeg Lake leadership.

***Starting plants? If extra, please consider the Osler Community Garden Plant Sale, Friday, May 25.** Tomatoes, cucumbers, squash, flowers are popular.

***Mennonite Historical Society of Sask invites you to the following two evenings of entertainment and information:**
APRIL 13 @ 7 p.m. - Film Night "And When They Shall Ask" at Bethany Manor Fellowship Centre, Saskatoon. All are welcome. Free Admission. Donations will be accepted.

APRIL 20 @ 7 p.m. – Book Evening at Bethany Manor Fellowship Centre, Saskatoon. **"Flight" by Harold Jantz**
FLIGHT, a 735-page book of translations and summaries by writer-editor Harold Jantz, all from the Mennonitische Rundschau. It tells the story of the Russian Mennonite community facing the Soviet empire in 1929-30. This was the period of a mass flight of Mennonites to Moscow, the refugee movement to Paraguay, Brazil, and Canada, the beginning of exile for many who remained in Russia, and a 1930 Mennonite World Relief Conference in Danzig. FLIGHT is about suffering, perseverance of faith, and starting again in the face of adversity.

**There is more info on the bulletin board, including how to sign up for MHSS membership/Historian newsletter.

***RJC Guys & Pies Fundraiser and Dessert Auction - Sunday, April 15, 7:00 pm at RJC.** Join us for an evening of music and desserts. Listen to A Buncha Guys and the RJC ManChoir while enjoying delicious pies. The evening will include a dessert auction - bid individually, as a table, as a family, or form a consortium. Funds raised will go toward RJC program projects. Coffee, tea and pie will be served during the evening. Everyone is welcome!

***Station Singers presents "Requiem for the Living" and "water music themed songs" April 14th, 7:30 pm** at Rosthern Mennonite church and **April 15th, 7:30 pm** at Grace Westminster United Church (Saskatoon). Tickets available at Station Arts Centre, McNally Robinson, and choir members.

***Sonrisa Women's Choir Spring Concert** will be on Wednesday **April 18th** at Nutana Park Mennonite Church at 7:00pm. Come celebrate spring with us!

TODAY'S SCRIPTURES:

Psalm 133 The Blessedness of Unity

(A Song of Ascents.)

¹ How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity!

² It is like the precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down over the collar of his robes.

³ It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion. For there the LORD ordained his blessing, life for evermore.

John 20:19-31 Jesus Appears to the Disciples

19 When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

24 But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

26 A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' ²⁸Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' ²⁹Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

30 Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Luke 24:13-35 The Walk to Emmaus

13 Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, ¹⁶but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' ¹⁹He asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. ²¹But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. ²²Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, ²³and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. ²⁴Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.' ²⁵Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' ²⁷Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

28 As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. ³²They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' ³³That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' ³⁵Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.