

MCC Connects: On February 18, young adults from around the world will showcase traditional song, dance and music at the **IVEP International Worship Festival** at Cornerstone Church, 315 Lenore Dr, Saskatoon, SK. 7:30 - 9:30pm. Contact Kaytee Edwards Buhler for more information at 306-665-2555, ext. 237 or KayteeEdwards@mccsk.ca

***Shekinah** Retreat Centre invites you to **Winter Fun Day on February 19th from 10am-4pm!** Come join us for sledding/tubing on Quill Hill, cross-country skiing and snowshoeing (snow permitting!), skating, curling, a hot dog roast and a lot more! Free for all ages. Donations welcome.

OMC CALENDAR

Jan 29	Worship meeting, 7:00 pm
Jan 31	Bible study, 10:00 am
Jan 31	Deacons meeting, 12:45 pm
Feb 3	Our AGM, 9:30 am
Feb 3	CMU Men's Chorus, 7:30 pm
Feb 11	Adult S.S. – "Streams of Spirituality" with Terri Lynn Friesen
Feb 17	Serve at Friendship Inn, 11:30 am
Feb 22	Missions & Service meeting, 7:00 pm
Feb 23	Classical Music with Nate & Nina 7:00pm

Worship Leader: Julie Bergen	Pianist: Naomi Schellenberg
Song Leader: Loretta Sawatzky	Sound: Dick Braun
Ushers: Susan B, Cornie G	Nursery: Adeline Cox

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OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan
 A Welcoming Christian
 Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
 January 28, 2018

Prelude
 Welcome/Announcements

Call to Worship:

One: Let us give thanks to our Creator, for the Creator is always with us.

All: Creator and creating God, you have given life to all around us.

One: You call us to be with you whether we are inside in the shelter of these walls or outside in the shelter of your trees.

All: God is with us when we gather together and when we are alone.

One: We are here to answer that call.

All: We will sing joyfully and we will listen attentively for your whispering voice.

Invocation

***Hymns: Blue/HWB #53 "God of the earth, the sky, the sea"
 Blue/HWB #7 "Here O Lord your servants gather"**

Sharing of Joys & Concerns / Prayer of the Church

Offering/ Offertory Prayer

Children's Time

Kathy Braun

Hymn: Blue/HWB #544 "When we walk with the Lord"

Scripture lesson: Ephesians 2:14-22

Hymn: Blue/HWB #407 “We are people of God’s peace”

Sermon: My journey from “Savages” to “We are all one people” -
Dave Neufeld

***Hymn: Blue/HWB #322 “For we are strangers no more”**

*Benediction: Return now to the circle of Life, knowing that the love of Creator God is with us, the compassion of Jesus inspires us, the hope of the Holy Spirit comforts us, May everyone we meet know of our praise of God’s name, by the singing and dancing of our hands, heart, and feet!

*(*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.**
- **Adult Sunday School** in Room 007: Dave will show his video "Written in Stone" and then engage in discussion with emphasis on being open to see the revelation of God in radically different cultures from our own.

THIS WEEK

- Monday, Jan 29, 7:00 pm, Worship meeting
- Wednesday, Jan 31, 10 -10:45am, Bible Study
- Wednesday, Jan 31, 12:45 pm, Deacons (rescheduled)
- **Saturday, Feb 3, 9:30 am, our AGM**
- Saturday, Feb 3, 7:30 pm, CMU Men’s Chorus at OMC with conductor Matt Pauls, and president Cheryl Pauls.

Next Sunday, February 4: RJC Chorale

Worship Leader: Terri Lynn Friesen Pianist: Mark Bigland-Pritchard

Song leader: Loretta Sawatzky Children’s Time: Vanessa Stefaniuk

Sound: Stephanie Siemens

Nursery: Marlene Campbell

Ushers: Harold Loewen, John Gascho

UPCOMING SERVICES for LENT:

Feb 11 Patty Friesen, Transfiguration Sunday

Feb 18 Julie Bergen

Feb 25 Dave Feick

Mar 4 Patty Friesen & MDS’ers

Mar 11 Josh Wallace, Warman Mennonite

Mar 18 Patty Friesen

Mar 25 Palm Sunday

Patty’s Week: Today: NPMC; Mon: worship; Tues: sermon, visits; Wed: Bible study, visits; Fri: office, Mennos at movies; Sat. AGM, CMU concert.

Terri Lynn’s Week: Mon: worship mtg; Tues: CPE/mtg; Wed: CPE; Fri: office/visit; Sat: AGM, CMU HymnFest

Remember in Prayer:

-Sr. High Retreat

-RJC: theatre, principal search, Karl Martens' new job in Alumni Development

-Leonard and Marge Boldt on the death of their daughter Madeline

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***Missions & Service Committee has been made aware that Patricia**, who came to Canada from the Congo and lived with Chris and Kaytee for awhile, **is moving into a new place and is in need of some household items.** Patricia and her 1 ½ year old son Daniel are in need of the following: bed and toys for Daniel, computer, T.V., end tables, 1 big cooking pot, set of cutlery, baking pans, shower curtain and bath mat. If you have any of these items that you would be willing to donate, please contact Kaytee at: 306 221 1729 or kaytee.edwards@yahoo.com

***Needed: Billets and meals:** The Mid-Year **IVEP** meetings will be held in Saskatoon on February 13-20 and our church has been asked **to help with billets and 3 days of lunches and suppers.** If you can help, please speak to Kaytee Edwards-Buhler. Phone: 306-221-1729 or email: kaytee.edwards@yahoo.com.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: Ephesians 2:14-22 (First Nations Bible)

Creator Sets Free (Jesus), the Chosen One is our great peace, who has brought the people of all Nations together, making them into one new people by removing the barrier that separated us. In his own human body he removed the hostility between us when he did away with the rules and requirements of the great law that separated us. This is the way he recreates people making one new humanity out of the two. This brings us all together in the path of peace.

Even though we behaved like enemies, we are now friends with the Great Spirit and with one another. When Creator Sets Free (Jesus) died on the cross, those things that made us enemies died with him. We are now joined together as one people in one body. He brought this Good Story of peace and harmony to people who were far away from him and to people who were close to him. Because of him we both have a clear path, through one Spirit, to the Creator from above.

Now we are all holy people and members of one new nation. No one is on the outside of this great family that our God is creating. We are all related to one another and initiated into Creator's Lodge that is built together with wooden poles - the message bearers and prophets of old. Creator Sets Free (Jesus) is the main pole binding us together, like branches being weaved into the Sacred Lodge. Joined together in this way, we all become a dwelling place for the Spirit. ²³You were bought with a price; do not become slaves of human masters.

***Winter Bible Study on the Gospel of Mark and Ephesians** in 2018 in the OMC coffee room. Everyone welcome!

Wednesdays 10:00-10:45 a.m.

Jan. 31: Mark 9-11; Feb. 7: Mark 12-13; Feb 14: Mark 14-16

***Youth Calendar:**

February 11 (Sunday) - Sunday Night Fever at RJC 5 - 8pm
Supper and Coffee House

(Please let Terri Lynn know if you are coming; we need to RSVP to RJC by *Feb. 5*)

Monday February 12 - Valley-Wide Youth Worship Night in Hepburn 7-9:30 (talk to Terri Lynn)

February 24 (Saturday) - Youth Group at OMC 6:30 - 8:30

***Mennos at the Movies:** *Groundhog Day* at the Roxy on Friday, February 2nd, 5:00pm. Let Patty know if you want a ticket.

*Congregants' Compassionate Competitive Curling: Tues. Feb. 6, 10:30 a.m., lunch 12:30. Granite Curling Club, 1st Ave.

***The 2018 MC Sask Annual Delegate Sessions are on March 9 & 10 at Zion Mennonite Church in Swift Current,** co-hosted by Emmaus Mennonite and Zion Mennonite. Registration is now open and you can register online at www.mcsask.ca or on paper forms available on the bulletin board. The sessions begin at 1:30 pm on Friday, March 9. **Please let Wilf know if you are interested in going.**

*You're invited to attend a **Festival of Choirs** on Sunday, February 4, 2:30 pm, Grace Westminster United Church (505 10th St E) in Saskatoon. Join in this celebration of choral music offered by the **CMU Men's Chorus, RJC Chorale, A Buncha Guys and the Sonrisa Women's Chorus.** Admission is free and a free will offering will be taken in support of both CMU and RJC.

***Friday, Feb. 23, 2018, 7:00 pm:** Come enjoy an evening of **Classical Music music with Nate and Nina.** Cellist Nathaniel Froese and pianist Nicola Davies will present an evening of music in our sanctuary. See bulletin board poster for more information.