

**MCC Connects:** Travel opportunity with MCC! April 28-May 13, 2018  
 Cost is approximately \$2,000.00. **Uprooted** is a learning tour to Mexico for young adults (ages 18-30ish) focused on migration and peacebuilding. Learn about global migration trends/issues and how to advocate for policy reform. Explore cultural sites and MCC partner projects/ See from a new perspective as you encounter people in a different context. Visit [mcccanada.ca/uprooted](http://mcccanada.ca/uprooted) for more info or contact Carol at the MCC Alberta office: 403.275.6935 | [carolmcaughton@mccab.ca](mailto:carolmcaughton@mccab.ca)

**OMC CALENDAR**

Mar 14 Deacons meeting, 12:45 pm  
 Mar 15 M & S meeting, 7:00 pm  
 Mar 19-23 Blanket Making  
 Mar 29 Maunday Thursday Potluck & Communion, 6:00 pm  
 Mar 30 Good Friday Service, 7:00 pm  
 Apr 1 Easter Service 10:00 am; Brunch 11:15 am. Easter Egg hunt for the children!

**OMC YOUTH CALENDAR**

**\*Saturday March 24 - Youth @ OMC - 6:30-8:30pm**

If you are willing to volunteer and spend an evening with our youth, please sign up at the link below!  
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/19S534MNs74I2rLgGY3evtkXTZ2jWG1kpxJTNdZgxB7c/edit?usp=sharing>

**\*Save the Date: April 5-6 - Honouring the Earth** – a MegaMenno weekend event. More details to come.

Worship Leader: John Reddekopp      Pianist: Melanie Boldt  
 Song leader: Kevin Boldt              Nursery: Lucy Friesen  
 Sound: Matthew Stefaniuk      Ushers: Lloyd Sawatzky, Karl Martens

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**OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH**

Osler, Saskatchewan  
 A Welcoming Christian  
 Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service  
 March 11, 2018

Lent 4: “O Healing River”

Prelude  
 Welcome/Announcements

**Call to Worship:**

Leader: Give thanks to God!

**People: Proclaim God's goodness throughout all the world.**

Leader: Let all of us gathered here, celebrate God's absolute love.

**People: Let us offer our lives in service to others.**

Leader: Thanks be to God, for the blessings which have been poured on us.

**People: Lord, enable us to use our gifts to serve you in the world. AMEN.**

Invocation

**\*Hymns: Blue/HWB #68      “O come loud anthems let us sing”  
 Blue/HWB #115      “Jesus, thou mighty Lord”**

Sharing of Joys & Concerns / Prayer of the Church

Offering/ Offertory Prayer

Children’s Time                      Lacey MacKenzie

**Hymn: Purple/SS #45      “Calm me, Lord”**

Scripture lesson: Mark 5:1-20

**Hymn: Blue/HWB #630      “Silence! Frenzied, unclean spirit”**

Sermon: "Jesus heals the Demoniac by the Sea" Josh Wallace

**\*Hymn: Blue/HWB #497 "Come, ye disconsolate"**

\*Benediction

(\*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

- **Tuesday, March 13, 7:30 pm:** Sharing & Reflection meeting
- **Wednesday, March 14, 12:45 pm:** Deacons meeting
- **Thursday, March 15, 7:00 pm:** M & S meeting
- **Saturday, March 17:** Serve at Friendship Inn.

### NEXT SUNDAY

- **9:15 am Choir practice**
- **11:15 am: Faith Exploration class**

**Next Sunday, March 18:** 5th Lent: Mark 3:1-12 "Withered Hand Healing Part 2" & Anointing service: Patty Friesen.

Worship Leader: George Janzen Pianist: Diana Buhler

Song leader: Ben Buhler Children's Time: Edna Zacharias

Sound: Chris Buhler Nursery: Marlene Campbell

Ushers: Lloyd Sawatzky, Karl Martens

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**Patty's Week:** Today: Mennonite Nursing Home; Mon: Community Garden; Tues: Curling; Wed: office, visits; Fri: office, visits; Sat: Friendship Inn.

**Terri Lynn's Week:** Wed: CPE; Thurs: office, M&S mtg; Fri: office/visits.

**UPCOMING SERVICES for LENT:** "O Healing River"

**Mar. 25** Palm Sunday: Mark 6:45-56, Mark 8:11-13, 22-29.

"Crossing Dangerous Waters": Patty Friesen

**Mar. 29, 6:00 pm:** Maundy Thursday Service – **Potluck &**

**Communion:** Terri Lynn Friesen. **Lunch Group M-Z (leaders Carl MF & Diane M) in charge of potluck.**

**Mar. 30, 7:00 pm:** Good Friday Service

**April 1, 10:00 am: Easter Sunday:** Mark 16:1-8. "O Healing River"

Patty Friesen. **Brunch @ 11:15 am with Lunch Group A-C**

**(leaders Susan B & Rachel B) in charge.** There will also be an Easter egg hunt for the children.

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### Remember in Prayer:

-OMC'ers attending MC Sask as Delegates /Attendees: Terry, Christy, Katherine P (youth), Dave, Patty, Karl M, Art and Edna.

-OMC'ers attending Osler TRC: Julie, Margaret, John, Susan.

-Akram and Anna's April Arrival

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

\***Calling all Singers: Easter Choir rehearsals** were cancelled for today but will resume **next Sunday, March 18 at 9:15 am.**

\*Mennos at the Movies: Sound of Music Singalong Broadway Theatre, Sat. Mar. 24, 7:00 p.m. \$20. Talk to Patty.

\***This invitation** is for 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.

\***Today, March 11** at 2:00 pm and 7:30 pm, Saskatoon Chamber Singers concert, *All Around The Circle: A little bit of everything, rolled into one.* Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$10 for students and \$20 in advance from Michelle McKinnell or Dan Richert!

\*Compassionate Competitive Congregational Curling at the Granite Curling Club on Tuesday, March 13, 10:30 am.



## Sunday, April 29, 2018

10:00 AM – 4:00 PM                      \$15 (includes lunch and snacks)  
 Registration 9:30 AM                      For youth grades 9 – 12  
 Canadian Mennonite University

Space is limited to 250 participants, so register early at [cmu.ca/sixpointeight](http://cmu.ca/sixpointeight).

You're invited to sixpointeight, an inspirational day of worship, fun, learning, and community!

- Join youth from across Manitoba and beyond
- Equip yourself to be a peacebuilder in the way of Jesus
- Be inspired by Kathy Giesbrecht and Paul Winter, and through a series of creative TED-style talks offered by passionate community leaders
- Email [info@cmu.ca](mailto:info@cmu.ca) for more information

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 #sixpointeight2018

**\*March 19-23: MCC Blanket Making here at OMC., starting at 9:00 am each day.**

**'After Hours' Blanket Making: Thursday March 22** - If you are busy with work or family during the day time but would like to participate in blanket making, mark this date on your calendar. Come anytime in the afternoon/evening, we'll break for pizza supper at 5pm (please bring \$2). All ages and expertise welcome!

**\*Thursday, March 15, 2018, 5-7 pm**, at Warman Mennonite Church: Keilke, Ham & Sausage Supper. This is a Fundraiser for Kitchen Repairs/Updates.

**\*Tuesday, March 20, 5-7 pm: Vereniki Supper** fundraiser for Youth Farm Bible Camp at the Rosthern Mennonite Church.

\*The commissioning service for Lois Siemens, the new Spiritual Care Coordinator at Bethany Manor, will be held on Sunday, April 8, 2018 at 10:45 am in the Bethany Manor Fellowship Centre, 110 La Ronge Road. Everyone is welcome!

**\*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!

\*Applications are now being accepted for a **Youth and Pastoral support person at Nutana Park Mennonite Church.** This is an 11 month term position to fill a number of maternity leaves within the leadership of the church. It includes opportunities in both Youth and Family Ministry. We invite interested applicants to find out more about the position requirements by visiting [www.npmc.net](http://www.npmc.net) and reviewing the full job description. Please contact Tammy Forrester, Board Chair for further information or submit your resume directly to Nutana Park Mennonite Church, Attn: Tammy Forrester

Email: [npmc@npmc.net](mailto:npmc@npmc.net)

Mail: 1701 Ruth St. E., Saskatoon, SK, S7J 0L7

Application Deadline: April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018

### **\*\*Will You Share an OMC Story?**

When you think about your OMC life, what comes to mind? Is there an OMC event you often remember? Perhaps you recall a time with a friend that makes you laugh, a time with family that brought you closer, a time you did something special or important, or a time with God that changed your life. These personal stories are a vital part of OMC history. As a church family we have shared much and continue to share a lot. The 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee knows there are stories special to you, young and old, and they are important to us all.

We want you to write down your story. Stories will be compiled for all to read and, during this anniversary year, a story will be read out in church each Sunday and perhaps on other occasions.

We also want you to help us gather these stories. Over 90 years there have been many people in the OMC family who no longer attend but whose stories are equally important. If you know of someone, tell them about our project and ask them to share a story. If you like, have them contact Sandra Grismer at (306) 380-4576, or [sgrismer1@sasktel.net](mailto:sgrismer1@sasktel.net).

There is a catch! Even though the topics are endless and the stories will not be censored (well, we hope not), they should be only about 250 words long, just like this notice. Please email your story to Sandra or drop them in her box at church.

### **\*Prayer Request from Mennonite Church Saskatchewan:**

Keep Mennonite Church Alberta in your prayers as they meet for their annual meeting with the theme "A Church Born Anew" March 16 & 17 in Lethbridge.

### **TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: Mark 5:1-20**

They came to the other side of the lake, to the country of the Gerasenes. <sup>2</sup>And when he had stepped out of the boat, immediately a man out of the tombs with an unclean spirit met him. <sup>3</sup>He lived among the tombs; and no one could restrain him any more, even with a chain; <sup>4</sup>for he had often been restrained with shackles and chains, but the chains he wrenched apart, and the shackles he broke in pieces; and no one had the strength to subdue him. <sup>5</sup>Night and day among the tombs and on the mountains he was always howling and bruising himself with stones. <sup>6</sup>When he saw Jesus from a distance, he ran and bowed down before him; <sup>7</sup>and he shouted at the top of his voice, 'What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I adjure you by God, do not torment me.' <sup>8</sup>For he had said to him, 'Come out of the man, you unclean spirit!' <sup>9</sup>Then Jesus asked him, 'What is your name?' He replied, 'My name is Legion; for we are many.' <sup>10</sup>He begged him earnestly not to send them out of the country. <sup>11</sup>Now there on the hillside a great herd of swine was feeding; <sup>12</sup>and the unclean spirits begged him, 'Send us into the swine; let us enter them.' <sup>13</sup>So he gave them permission. And the unclean spirits came out and entered the swine; and the herd, numbering about two thousand, rushed down the steep bank into the lake, and were drowned in the lake.

<sup>14</sup>The swineherds ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came to see what it was that had happened. <sup>15</sup>They came to Jesus and saw the demoniac sitting there, clothed and in his right mind, the very man who had had the legion; and they were afraid. <sup>16</sup>Those who had seen what had happened to the demoniac and to the swine reported it. <sup>17</sup>Then they began to beg Jesus to leave their neighbourhood. <sup>18</sup>As he was getting into the boat, the man who had been possessed by demons begged him that he might be with him. <sup>19</sup>But Jesus refused, and said to him, 'Go home to your friends, and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and what mercy he has shown you.' <sup>20</sup>And he went away and began to proclaim in the Decapolis how much Jesus had done for him; and everyone was amazed.