

***MCC Connects:** MCC is appealing for donations to assist four partner organizations who are responding to the Ukraine crisis. An unusually high number of emergencies this past year has put a strain on resources. Your gifts support displaced and vulnerable families with food, cash assistance and material resources such as blankets and relief kits. Designate "Ukraine emergency response". Please give by calling 306.665.2555 or online at donate.mcccananda.ca

 **Mennonite Church Canada**

*Mennonite Church Canada's 2014 Annual Report is now available on the new CommonWord website. Find it here: www.commonword.ca/go/58

***Featured prayer request from the wider church:** Pray that Mennonite Church Canada's short term ministry workers will develop strong connections at home and abroad with individuals and congregations as they promote mutual learning and share how God is at work in the world.

*See inquiry from Canadian Mennonite Magazine on the bulletin board – Seeking Board members for the magazine.

Worship Leader: Dave Feick
Song Leader: Kevin Boldt
Accompanist: Melanie Boldt
This week's Nursery care: Jan Guenther
Next Week's Nursery care: Diana Buhler
Sound: Chris Buhler
Ushers: Carl MartensFunk, Steve Rowan

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OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan
A Welcoming Christian
Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
January 18, 2015

Prelude
Welcome & Announcements

GATHERING

Call to Worship
Invocation: Blue/HWB #718

***Hymns: Blue/HWB #68 “O come, loud anthems let us sing”**

Sharing of Joys and Concerns and Prayer of the church

LISTENING

Children's Time & collection of Loose change: Adeline Cox

Hymn: Green/SJ #38 “Beloved, God's chosen”

Offering and Offertory Music
Offertory Prayer

Scripture Lessons: Mark 5:21-43

Hymn: Green/SJ #58 “Who has known the mind of Jesus?”

Meditation: "What difference does Jesus make?" Claire Ewert-Fisher

RESPONDING

***Hymn: Blue/HWB #377 “Healer of our every ill”**

*Benediction

**Please rise.*

To all our visitors: WELCOME. We are delighted that you are worshiping with us.

Nursery care is provided during the worship service for those who desire it (children over 4 years should be accompanied by an adult.)

Children's Worship Binder, an instrument to help children through the worship hour, is available in the foyer.

The blank, coloured papers in the pew are for **thank-you notes to God or someone in the church**. Place the note in the offering bag. Notes with names will be delivered to that person. The rest will be saved. Share your thankfulness as an offering.

TODAY

- **Beverages and snacks** available after the worship service.
- **Sunday School for all ages** begins at 11:15am.

THIS WEEK

- **Blanket Making on Monday and Tuesday**
 - **Wednesday, Jan 21, 7:30pm – Winter study**
 - **Thursday, Jan. 22, 7:00pm – Missions & Service Committee Meeting**
 - **Thursday, Jan. 22, 7:30pm – Deacons Meeting**
 - **Next Sunday, Noon – Potluck with NPMC**
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Next Sunday: Nutana Park Mennonite Church: "Saskatune" and a Potluck. Next Sunday, Saskatune Singers from Nutana Park will present a service here, followed by **congregational potluck at noon. Please come and bring food to share with our visitors from NPMC.** Worship leader: Patty Friesen
Song leader and Pianists: NPMC
Children's time: Patty Friesen
Sound: Chris Buhler

Remember in Prayer

Joys: Keith Dyck and Colleen Pfeifer's engagement, servers at Friendship Inn, MC Sask new moderator - Bruce Janzen, Mennonite Historical Society meetings in ON, Bill Peters and everyone who worked on the new flooring again this week. Thanks!

Concerns: Julie and Matthew friends who have lost parents, others struggling with cancer.

Announcements

***Patty's Week:** Wednesday: office, Forever in Motion, bible study. Thursday: Deacons meeting. Friday: office

*We have had great response to our plan to **volunteer at the Friendship Inn!** A group of twelve will be departing just before 11:00 this morning to go serve lunch. We will need to go again to get everyone who expressed interest involved. Many thanks for your support as volunteers, for bringing food donations, and for your prayers.

***OMC Winter Wednesdays' Come join the discussion about "Good God, Good Sex"** led by Joe Heikman, Wildwood Mennonite Church. *Note: another session has been added for January 28th.*
Session #3: Wednesday, Jan. 21, 7:30 p.m. "Sexual Tensions" - Freedom vs. Boundaries. Individual Rights vs Community Values. Our sexual choices, for better or worse, have real-world outcomes. How do we stay faithful to God, each other, and ourselves, in light of the realities of our broken world?
Session #4: Wednesday, Jan. 28, 7:30pm "Gay Marriage?"
Sharing by Russ Friesen. Discussion led by Patty Friesen

***Youth - Saturday, January 24th – Swimming at the Shaw Centre** – meet at Church at 6:45 pm – Bring \$6 for swimming and extra money for a snack later. We will need drivers, talk to Shelley if you are able to help out.

***Canadian Mennonite University cmu.ca**

CMU's Leadership in Ministry Seminar | February 9 – 11, 2015
Intended for all involved in ministry, this year's theme is: "How can we sing the Lord's Song in a Foreign Land?" (Ps. 137:4). The keynote resource person is [Dr. Stuart Blythe](#), Rector at the International Baptist Theological Seminary in Amsterdam, who has a strong interest in Anabaptism, is committed to church planting and the congregation as the centre of God's mission. For full program details and registration information, visit cmu.ca/ministryseminar.

*Come this summer to learn with other peacebuilders – local and international, young and old, students, practitioners and those new to peacebuilding – at the seventh annual **Canadian School of Peacebuilding, June 15 - 19 and 22 – 26, 2015**. We invite you to participate in your choice of five-day courses for personal inspiration, professional development, or academic credit. More information is available at csop.cmu.ca or csop@cmu.ca.

*Early indicators are suggesting that **Mennonite Church Canada is facing a donation shortfall** as we approach the Jan. 31 fiscal year-end. Meanwhile, workers **Nathan and Taryn Dirks** serving in Botswana recently wrote a blog post called "**The Numbers Game**" in which they describe the difference generous donors from across Canada are making (<http://ntdirks.com/the-number-games/>). Theirs is just one of many impact stories of the work we do together as a national church in 25 countries around the world, and in Canada. Would you consider making an over-and-above-usual-giving gift to MCC so that together we can continue to share God's good news and start the new fiscal year in a strong position? Donate online via donate.mennonitechurch.ca or by mailing a cheque to 600 Shaftesbury Blvd., Wpg. MB R3P 0M4. Thank you.

***Nursery supervision** is provided during worship services as a service to parents of young children. If you are interested in having your name added to the next supervision schedule (March through June), please contact the church office. As a part of our safe church policy, participants are asked to get an RCMP background check.

***Upcoming OMC Sunday service: Feb. 1:** Healing in the Synagogue

***Blanket Making for MCC** at the church on January 19, 20, 26, 27. Please come and help us make blankets for people in the world who live in refugee camps, children in orphanages and people living in locations experiencing disasters. A warm blanket can help people who live in difficult situations to hope for a brighter future.

***Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday, February 7th**, starting at 9:30am. *Note to committee chairs: All reports are due to be in to Diana by January 15th*. Mark your calendars and please plan to attend the AGM.

***Winter Walkers:** OMC gym will be open for walking Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings, 9:00 a.m. *Forever in Motion Senior Fitness Class* will meet Wednesdays and Fridays 10:00-10:45 a.m. starting Wednesday, January 21st. Walkers and all ages welcome to join us. Contact Patty with questions.

***Today is World Fellowship Sunday**, when Anabaptist brothers and sisters around the world celebrate our community in Christ—and many are planning to travel to the US this summer to celebrate in person! Join them for the 16th Mennonite World Conference gathering, held July 21-26 in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. You can find the program schedule, information about lodging and travel, and registration online at mwc-cmm.org/pa2015.

***Shekinah's Annual Winter Fun Day** is happening again on Family Day, February 16, 2015! Come out and share a day of skating, skiing, tubing and other kinds of family fun with us!

*See the bulletin board for details of **Academy of Discipleship seminar sessions "Patient Ferment: Peaceful Mission in the Early Church"** to be on February 13 & 14 at **Warman Mennonite Church**.

*On Friday, January 9, Council received the Moderator's Report from Gerhard Luitjens in which Gerhard resigned as MC Sask Moderator effective immediately. Council accepted Gerhard's resignation and asked Bruce Jantzen to take over as Moderator until the ADS in March. We are grateful to Gerhard for the work he has done as Moderator, and we thank Bruce for stepping into the role. MC Sask Council. See the bulletin board re applications for Area Church Minister.

*The **Youth Farm Corn Maze is hosting *Wintertainment* on Saturday, February 7th** from 11am-7pm. Skating (bring your own skates), CORN MAZE!, carnival games, bonfire, fireworks, food served all day, and more!! Admission \$5. All proceeds go towards the ministry of the Youth Farm Bible Camp.

***From Mennonite Church Canada:** Please pray with us for Ben and Patti Wiebe of Beamsville, Ont, who are in Pune, India for a short term ministry assignment with Mennonite Church Canada from January 8 to March 16, 2015. Their luggage was lost en route and they are having trouble finding the assistance they need to locate it. This loss is complicated by the fact that Ben is scheduled to teach four seminary courses for the winter semester at Union Biblical Seminar and all of his teaching materials are packed in the lost luggage. Please pray that their belongings will be returned to them, that Ben will be inspired by the Holy Spirit as he teaches from the heart, and that God will bless Patti's ministry through Bible classes, English tutoring and other opportunities that arise in the Women's Ministry Department at Union Biblical Seminary. Thank you for blessing Ben and Patti with your prayer support. Shalom

***SMYO Sr. High Retreat, Jan. 30- Feb. 1, Shekinah Retreat Centre.** With a theme of 'Where's God in my Song?' speaker Ben Pauls is going to spend time with the youth exploring the connections between songs, stories, generations, and God. Complete with an air band competition, this year's retreat promises to be full of all kinds of joyful noise! Deadline to register is Jan. 23, forms can be found online at www.smyo.ca/events, or contact Kirsten Hamm-Epp at youthminister@mcsask.ca

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Mark 5:21-43 21 When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered round him; and he was by the lake. 22 Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet 23 and begged him repeatedly, 'My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.' 24 So he went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. 25 Now there was a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years. 26 She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. 27 She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, 28 for she said, 'If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.' 29 Immediately her haemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. 30 Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' 31 And his disciples said to him, 'You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, "Who touched me?"' 32 He looked all round to see who had done it. 33 But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. 34 He said to her, 'Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.' 35 While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, 'Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?' 36 But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, 'Do not fear, only believe.' 37 He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. 38 When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. 39 When he had entered, he said to them, 'Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.' 40 And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. 41 He took her by the hand and said to her, 'Talitha cum', which means, 'Little girl, get up!' 42 And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. 43 He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.