

***MCC Connects: May 12, 6:30-8pm at MCC Centre. “Facing History with Courage: Toward Restorative Solidarity.”** Elaine Enns, recent Doctor of Ministry graduate from Saskatoon Theological Union will discuss her research involving Saskatchewan Mennonite understandings of our history, intergenerational trauma, and relationship with Indigenous neighbours. Come be part of the discussion

***The MC Sask Pastoral Leadership Commission (PLC) is seeking applicants for an ad hoc committee** which will guide a listening and discernment process around **the question of congregations within MC Sask performing same-sex marriages.** The goal is to have this committee represent the full range of persons in our Area Church, especially in terms of theological diversity, age, geographical location and occupation. To apply, send an email to minster@mcsask.ca with basic personal information and a one paragraph explanation of why you are applying. Deadline is May 31. Thank you for your help and willingness to partner with us in this important work – PLC.

Worship Leader: Stephanie Siemens
 Song Leader: Loretta Sawatzky
 Accompanist: Lynette Janzen
 This week’s Nursery care: Jan Guenther
 Next week’s Nursery care: Diana Buhler
 Sound: Dick Braun
 Ushers: Anna Peters, Russ Friesen



OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan
 A Welcoming Christian
 Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
 May 10, 2015

Prelude
 Welcome & Announcements

GATHERING

Call to Worship
 Invocation

***Hymns: Blue/HWB #16 “God is here among us”**
Blue/HWB #514 “Lord, I am fondly, earnestly”

Sharing on the presence of God
 Sharing joys and concerns
 Prayer of the church

LISTENING

Children’s Time Edna Zacharias

Hymns: Green/SJ #65 “Let justice flow like streams”

Offering and Offertory Music
 Offertory Prayer

Scripture Lessons: John 4:1-26

***Hymns: Blue/HWB #493 “I heard the voice of Jesus say”**

Sermon: “The Samaritan Woman” Patty Friesen

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RESPONDING

*Hymn: Green/SJ #49 “Rain down”

*Benediction

*Please rise.

To all our visitors: WELCOME. We are delighted that you are worshipping 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

- **Wednesday, May 13, 7:30 – 9:00pm: Youth Discussion night with Stephanie**
 - **Thursday, May 14, 7:30pm, Deacons Meeting**
 - **Saturday, May 16, 10:50am – Youth & others meet at OMC, to go serve at Friendship Inn**
 - **Next Sunday – May 17 – Loose Change Sunday**
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Next Sunday, May 17, 7th Sunday of Easter: Luke 4:16-21, Psalm 146 and Matthew 25:31-40

Sermon: Ryan Siemens, Person to Person, “The Least of These”

Worship Leader: Stephanie Siemens

Song leader: Kevin Boldt

Pianist: Melanie Boldt

Children's time: Jake Buhler

Sound:

Remember in Prayer

Joys: More rain, more rest. Safe return of RJC students from numerous locations. Hofers 50 years of wedded bliss.

Concerns – Art Zacharias' 59 year old nephew’s unexpected death. Philip Bergen memorial service May 9. John Peters’ health concerns. Cheryl Sawatzky, Joe G.’s niece, diagnosed with bone cancer.

Announcements

***Patty's Week** : Tuesday: sermon. Wednesday: office. Thursday: deacons. Friday: office. Saturday: Friendship Inn. Sunday: Nutana. Feel free to call Patty at home: 306-955-2928.

***Wednesday, May 13, 7:30 – 9:00pm YOUTH: Discussion Nite with Stephanie:** The location of weekly discussions with Stephanie will change from week to week so check your email & FB for details.

***The Presence of God: As part of sharing joys and concerns** each Sunday during the Easter season, **you are invited** to briefly share with the church where you have seen, or perhaps not seen God recently.

***Upcoming services:** During these next weeks of Easter and Pentecost - we will be going through the Gospel of John chapter by chapter until Labour Day. Please join us in reading a chapter a week.

***Next Sunday is Loose Change Sunday.**

***Ladies – please Save the Date** for a *Heart to Heart* “Decadent Decades Do”, Monday, June 1st, 7:00 pm.

***MCC Warman Thrift Shop Annual Meeting** [Tuesday, May 19th, 2015, 7:00 pm](#) at the Warman Thrift Shop. Everyone welcome! Please use west side entrance. Praise the Lord, the MCC Warman Thrift shop sent \$20,000 April 23, 2015 to MCC. Celebrate with us and thank you for your support.

***MCC Relief Sale & Auction:** MCC sale weekend is coming up quickly! Please contact us to volunteer for tasks to make the sale a success – setting up the venue, monitoring composting, clearing tables, serving as hosts. Phone Renata (306-373-2260) or check the website to email us. And there is a new way to get involved in the MCC relief sale this year! On the morning of Saturday, June 13, join us for a 43km bike ride to help raise money for refugees. For more details, and to register as a rider please visit www.mccskreliefsale.com/pedal-for-peace-bike-a-thon.html

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***Mennonite Church Canada invites you to invest in the Church this Easter to Pentecost season.** Each household has a letter in their church mailbox, inviting you to prayerfully consider your participation in extending the mission of the wider Church. Thank you!

*From May 29-June 3, many people will be gathering in Ottawa to mark the ceremonial close of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. If you aren't able to attend, here are **5 Things You Can Do Anywhere In Canada** to show your commitment to reconciliation: <http://home.mennonitechurch.ca/node/638>

***Featured prayer request from the wider church:**

Please pray for Ray Dirks and the completion of his book project, *Along the Road to Freedom* about Mennonite women and their struggle to bring their families to Canada. Ray, the Mennonite Heritage Centre Gallery curator, plans to have the book ready for Mennonite World Conference in Pennsylvania, July 21-26.

***Osler Mennonite Church Worship In May:**

May 17 - Person to Person Ministry by Ryan Siemens, Grace Mennonite Church, Prince Albert
May 24 – John 6, Jesus the Bread of Heaven - Pentecost Reflections and Communion
May 31 - John 7, Jesus the Living Water by Patty Friesen

***Pentecost Photos** - in preparation for Pentecost, May 24, **please send a favourite photo to oslermcoffice@sasktel.net** with written or oral thoughts on *What is your eye drawn to in this photograph...Where do you notice the influence of a Creator...Where do you notice life and vibrancy in this photo...Where is the Spirit of God in the ordinary acts of the day...* You may also consider the photos on www.leaderonline.org on Pentecost resources, username: Easter15 and password: rhe7534.

***Camperships are available** for youth and children to attend Mennonite Church Saskatchewan camps. If you know of children from our congregation or community who are interested in going to camp, please review the Guidelines and submit an application. The Guidelines and application forms are posted on the bulletin board. If you have any questions please contact any member of the Mission and Service Committee (Mark, John G, Sandra G, Wilf, Margaret D)

*Volunteers from our church will be serving lunch at **Saskatoon Friendship Inn on Saturday, May 16th**. If you are interested in serving, please sign up or call Margaret @ 239-2205. Donations of peanut butter, jam, pancake mix, baby formula are needed and appreciated.

*Mennonite Church Canada's **PrayerNet for May** is now posted on the bulletin board. See the PrayerNet announcement about **closing ceremonies for the Truth and Reconciliation Commission** in Ottawa, May 31-June 3; in which Mennonite Church Canada will be involved. There are many other prayer concerns, including the people of Nepal.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

John 4:1-26

4 Now when Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard, 'Jesus is making and baptizing more disciples than John'—² although it was not Jesus himself but his disciples who baptized—³ he left Judea and started back to Galilee. ⁴ But he had to go through Samaria. ⁵ So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. ⁶ Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

⁷ A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink'. ⁸ (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) ⁹ The Samaritan woman said to him, 'How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?' (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) ¹⁰ Jesus answered her, 'If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink", you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.' ¹¹ The woman said to him, 'Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?' ¹² Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?' ¹³ Jesus said to her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴ but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.' ¹⁵ The woman said to him, 'Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.'

¹⁶ Jesus said to her, 'Go, call your husband, and come back.' ¹⁷ The woman answered him, 'I have no husband.' Jesus said to her, 'You are right in saying, "I have no husband"; ¹⁸ for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!' ¹⁹ The woman said to him, 'Sir, I see that you are a prophet. ²⁰ Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.' ²¹ Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. ²² You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³ But the hour is coming, and is now

here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. ²⁴ God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.' ²⁵ The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah is coming' (who is called Christ). 'When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.' ²⁶ Jesus said to her, 'I am he, the one who is speaking to you.'

***Sunday, June 21, 2015 - 10 a.m. Worship and Church Picnic** at Kevin & Melanie Boldt's family farm. More details to follow on lunch but dress for the weather, bring lawn chairs, picnic blankets and outdoor games. If the weather is inclement, we'll worship in the Old Red Barn or divert to church!

Saturday, June 20 - Summer Solstice BBQ, Campfire & Campout Where?

Kevin & Melanie's family farm. Come and camp for the night or just come for the evening! Directions to the farm can be found at www.pineviewfarms.com.

When?

Overnight campers are welcome to come anytime Saturday after 5 p.m. to set up.

6 p.m. BBQ supper

8 p.m. Campfire - singing and games and general silliness outside!

What to Bring?

1. If you're coming for supper, bring \$10/family to cover cost of meat and supplies (payable to Kevin or Melanie), a salad, vegetable or dessert to share. Meat, buns, plates, cutlery and condiments will be provided.
2. Also, bring your s'more supplies and snacks for around the campfire later.
3. For campers, bring your camping gear, breakfast supplies, cooking and eating utensils. A BBQ, stove, and campfire are all available for cooking. Washrooms, refrigeration and covered areas also available for your convenience!

RSVP: Please confirm your attendance at the BBQ and/or camping by emailing melanie@pineviewfarms.com or calling 306.239.4763 ext. 2 by Monday, June 15, 2015.