

***MCC Connects:** Save the date! The 2016 MCC Relief Sale & Auction will be held on June 10 & 11 at Saskatoon Prairieland Park. New this year: Kid's Peace from 9-3, run by Shekinah Retreat Centre; Busking – musicians (any age), please contact Denise Martens at 306.270.9648 or denisemartens@gmail.com

*Parkland Restorative Justice is hosting its first annual **"Spring Gala in the Woods"** – a fundraising banquet on April 15 at the Prince Albert Wildlife Federation building. Doors open at 6 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$40 or \$300/table of 8 persons. Reserve by calling 306-763-6224 or emailing parklandrestorativejustice@gmail.com

***Station Singers presents "In Praise of Spring" concert** - works by Dvorak, Haydn, Mendelssohn
7:30 pm Saturday Apr 16 at Grace Westminster United Church
2:00 pm Sunday Apr 17 at the Station Arts Center
Guest artists: Prairie Virtuosi String Quartet

***A Buncha Guys Spring Concert: Sunday, April 24 2:30 pm at Nutana Park Mennonite Church.** Tickets (\$5.00) are available at McNally Robinson, from any of the Guys, **or at the door.** An offering will be taken to support the Canadian Foodgrains Bank.

Worship Leader: Patty Friesen, Kathryn Janzen
Song Leader: Kathryn Janzen
Accompanist: Lynette Janzen
Nursery Supervision: Diana Buhler
Sound: Doug McKinnell
Ushers: Lloyd Sawatzky, John Gascho

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OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan
A Welcoming Christian
Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
March 27, 2016

Easter Sunday: "The End of the Beginning"

Focus Statement: "The End of the Beginning." As the people of God, we place our faith, trust and hope in the resurrected Christ, who brings meaning to all unhappy endings by inviting us to a new beginning and a new hope - the hope of the happily-ever-after chapter. All the pages and chapters of our lives find their place within God's grand covenant narrative – a narrative that culminates in a powerful, glorious good news story in which the Author has redeemed, is redeeming, and will redeem us and the world forever!

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements / Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Easter Drama (Mark 15 & 16)

Hymns: Blue/HWB #273 "Low in the grave he lay"
Blue/HWB #178 "Come, thou long-expected Jesus"
Purple/SS #16 "Peace before us"

Reader's Theatre (adapted from The Message Mark 16 and John 20)

Hymn: Blue/HWB #274 "O sons and daughters let us sing!"

Prayer of the Church

Special Music: "See What a Morning"

Offering and offertory music: "In Christ Alone"

Children's Time

Edna Zacharias

Blue/HWB #614 "In the bulb there is a flower"

Sharing: "The Walk to Emmaus/Osler"

by Patty Friesen and Terri Lynn Paulson

Hymn: Blue/HWB #280 "Christ the Lord is risen today"

*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 9:15am.**
- **Beverages and snacks** available after the worship service.
- **Easter Brunch – 11:00am, following Worship. After the brunch, there will be an Easter egg hunt for the children.**

THIS WEEK

- **Friday, April 1 – Youth Mega Menno Mystery Dance fundraiser at Mount Royal** – see bulletin announcement
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Next Sunday, April 3 – Dave Feick will be preaching.

Worship leader: Jim Dyck

Song leader: Kevin Boldt Pianist: Melanie Boldt

Children's Time: Jake Buhler Sound: Chris Buhler

Nursery Supervision: Sarah Guenther

Ushers: Dick Braun, Cornie Guenther

Remember in Prayer

Joys - 101 MCC Blankets made at OMC, Friendship Inn back in business, Sarah and Charlie's joining, Terri Lynn Paulson's candidacy, Wilf in church

Concerns - Dan Richert on the campaign trail and his sick grandfather

Announcements

***Patty's Week:** Tuesday: wedding planning. Wednesday: office, visits. Friday: office, visits.

***We welcome pastoral candidate Terri Lynn Paulson** this morning. She will be sharing with us during worship, meeting youth and kids during potluck and is available for a more formal meeting in the sanctuary post-potluck. We will have a congregational meeting on Sunday, April 10, 11:15am to discuss possible 3/4 time and vote.

***April Newsletter:** deadline for submissions is Wednesday, April 30, 9:00am, please.

***Thank you** to Katherine and Shelley Penner for organizing the Easter Egg Hunt.

***Tables and Chairs for sale:** You may have noticed we have new chairs in the Gathering space and some new plastic tables for the Multi-purpose room. The old tables are available to purchase for \$25/each, and the folding chairs previously in the Gathering room are available at \$10/each. First Come, First served. See any of the Trustees or Adeline in the office.

***A BIG THANK YOU** to everyone for your generous donations of Paska, Hot cross buns and monetary contributions for our refugee sponsorship fundraiser last Sunday. And Thanks! to those who baked the wonderful paska. We raised \$1436.55 !!

***April 2, 2016: Shekinah** will be hosting the **annual fundraising banquet at Mount Royal Mennonite Church** in Saskatoon. Join us for a delicious meal, updates and entertainment performed by A Buncha Guys Alumni. Tickets are \$20 and doors open at 5:30pm."

Rewilding the Way* author Todd Wynward: "The wild truth is that God needs us, and we humans have yet to do our part." Read the book (rewildingtheway.com) and join a conversation about living the way of Jesus in our particular place and time. **April 3, 6:00pm at Wildwood Mennonite Church. All are welcome!

***April 23, 6:00 PM** The *Canadian Mennonite* magazine invites you to a Fundraising Banquet featuring keynote speaker, **Stuart Murray**, from the UK Anabaptist Network, author of the *Naked Anabaptist: The Bare Essentials of a Radical Faith* and the nationally competitive classical **Caspian (Friesen) Trio at Rosthern Mennonite Church.** Donations above \$20.00 gratefully received. Please see poster for more details. Please **RSVP by April 12, 2016** online at 306-363-4750. canadianmennonite.org/banquet, via email at brycelm@gmail.com.



***Assembly 2016 Saskatoon – Plan to attend!** Long Term International Witness workers from Germany, the United Kingdom, Thailand, South Korea, and the Philippines will be on hand to share about how they are being the hands and feet of Jesus. Register via home.mennonitechurch.ca/saskatoon2016/information

*Volunteer USHERS are required each day at the MC Canada Assembly at TCU place in Saskatoon July 6-10. Experience the Assembly by volunteering for a partial or full day, or full week. For a description of ushering tasks contact cbueckert@sasktel.net or to register as a volunteer usher email mcsask@mcsask.ca or call [306-249-4844](tel:306-249-4844).

*Friday, April 1 @ Mount Royal Mennonite Church, 7-11pm: **MEGA-MENNO Youth event: Mystery Dance Fundraiser for Shekinah.** Admission: \$20, includes popcorn and drink
Youth: Come on out for a night of dancing and Shekinah Clue.
"You may have heard that Shekinah is in a financial crisis, and you may have been wondering how you can help... with consideration to youth and young adults, we've created a more accessible fundraiser for this age demographic. We understand that these young people are still invested in Shekinah, but not always able to make sizeable donations, and so we're holding a Mystery Dance night on Friday, April 1 at Mount Royal Mennonite Church. There will be dancing, alongside a game of Shekinah Clue to solve. So, if you're in high school or "recently graduated" come out for a night to support our beloved camp. \$20 will get you your ticket, a drink, and unlimited popcorn!"

NOTE: For youth, your cost is only \$10 as our church will pay the other \$10! Please meet at the church at 6:30 p.m.

***Quilters needed:** Thanks to everyone who has contributed cloth to our **story quilt** project. It is a beautiful collection. We are going to start construction soon so if there are any quilters in the church who would like to help please let us know. If you still want to add cloth, please give it to someone on worship committee. Thanks!

*Ladies: Mark your calendars for our next '**Heart to Heart**'. A **Baby shower** for Walter and Kathryn will be held at the church on Monday, April 11th at 7:00pm

*There is a new sign-up sheet for volunteering at **Friendship Inn.** The next **opportunities to serve are April 16, May 28 and June 18th** And as always, food donations for the Inn can be left in the box in the foyer and much appreciated.

*We sent 101 **blankets** to warm refugees through MCC, thanks to the weeklong blanket making efforts of many women. Thank you!

OMC CALENDAR

Today	11am - Easter Sunday Potluck brunch and Easter Egg hunt for the children.
Fri April 1	Youth: Mystery Dance fundraiser at Mount Royal
Sun Apr 3	Dave Feick preaching/ ADS reporting
Wed Apr 6	7:00pm - Education Committee meeting
Thur Apr 7	7:30pm – Church Council meeting
Sun Apr 10	John Reddekopp preaching
Mon Apr 11	7:00pm H to H Baby Shower: Kathryn & Walter
Wed Apr 13	7:30pm - Youth Discussion with Steph
Thur Apr 14	7:00pm – Deacons meeting
Sun Apr 17	5:00pm – Seniors Supper at Bethany Manor
Mon Apr 18	7:00pm – Worship Committee meeting

Help Needed for Upcoming Youth Event!

Hey everyone!

I'm organizing a **Youth 'Mall Man Hunt'** event and I need your help! This event will be happening on Friday April 22nd at 7pm at the Lawson Heights Mall.

The youth will be given one hour in the mall to search out as many of us as possible. Our goal is to not be found. For the event to be as epic as I'm envisioning, here's what I need help with:

I need as many of us congregation members as possible to be roaming throughout the mall, preferably in some disguise that the youth will not recognize you in.

I encourage you to be as creative as you have time for! Wigs, clothing purchased from your local MCC Thrift shop, crazy makeup, carrying dolls or pushing a stroller, hats, sunglasses, walkers, canes, perhaps you want to invite a friend that the youth wouldn't recognize to walk with you etc. Anything goes!!

This is for anyone of any age to participate in. The more the merrier! More details will be given as the date comes closer, but as of now I'm hoping that you will save the date and let me know that you're up for helping! There will be a sign up sheet on the bulletin at church or you can email/call/talk to me. Thanks in advance!

Steph

***RJC Spend-A-Day: Friday/Saturday, April 8 & 9** – All students, grade 8-11, are invited to **Spend-A-Day** at the RJC campus. It's an opportunity for students to get a glimpse of what it is like to be a student here at RJC. Come out and meet new friends, sit in on some classes, eat in the dining hall, join in some fun activities and spend the night in the dorms. Some highlights of the weekend will be **Mission Impossible in the Dark** and a **giant bon fire**. On Saturday, families are invited for brunch and an informal information session in the dining hall, tour the campus and ask questions. Any student that would like to attend this event needs to **register by April 4th, 2016**, as space is limited. **ADMISSION is FREE!**

***RJC GUYS & PIES Fundraiser and Dessert Auction - Sunday, April 10, 7:00 pm at RJC.** Join us for an evening of superb music and delicious desserts, featuring A Buncha Guys (directed by Russ Regier), and the RJC Man Choir (directed by Richard Janzen.) Included in the evening will be a dessert auction with decorated and calorie-filled desserts up for bid (bid individually, as a table, family, or consortium). Funds raised will go toward RJC program projects. Coffee, tea and pie will be served during the evening. Everyone is welcome!

***Follow Mennonite Church Canada Future Directions Task Force (FDTF)** conversations at each Area Church gathering by visiting home.mennonitechurch.ca/FutureDirections. New this week is a summary from Mennonite Church Alberta and a commentary on the unexpected gift the FDTF process is offering, by Willard Metzger.

*Churches have been summoned by the **Truth and Reconciliation Commission** of Canada to engage the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. How will we do that?

"Wrongs to Rights" is a new conversation guide and study from Mennonite Church Canada's Indigenous Relations office, featuring 40 Indigenous, Settler, Christian and Traditional authors, poets and artists, to help your congregation begin the discussion. Individual orders via www.commonword.ca/go/507; Study group orders at a discounted price (minimum 7 copies) – www.commonword.ca/go/538.