

**\*MCC Connects:** Requests for MCC kits remain strong, particularly around the Syria & Iraq crisis response. At this point, cash donations are preferred to meet the budget for kit supplies which have already been purchased to respond to the intense demand. Call the MCCS office at 306.665.2555 to make a donation or mail your gift to the MCCS office. Please designate your gift to “MCCS Material Resources”.

**\*Upcoming services:**

Feb. 26: Terri Lynn Friesen sharing & Communion  
 Mar. 5: Julie Bergen’s ordination and Potluck lunch  
 Mar 12: Bunch of Guys

**\*Youth Calendar:**

Mon Feb. 20 - Family Day @ Shekinah  
 Sun Feb. 26 - Fabulous February Family Faspa and Games night  
 Fri Mar 10 - Annual Delegate Sessions Mega Menno Event

**OMC CALENDAR**

Feb 26 Fabulous February Faspa & Games night, 5:00 pm  
 Mar 1 Executive mtg, 1:00 pm, Deacons mtg, 2:30 pm  
 Mar 2 Council mtg, 7:00 pm  
 Mar 8 Bible study, 10:30 am  
 Mar 15 Bible study, 10:30 am  
 Mar 25 Family movie night, 7:00 pm

Worship leader: Terri Lynn Friesen      Sound: Doug McKinnell  
 Song leader: Kathryn Janzen      Pianist: Lynette Janzen  
 Nursery: Steve Guenther      Ushers: Lloyd Sawatzky, Dick Braun



**OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH**

Osler, Saskatchewan  
 A Welcoming Christian  
 Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service  
 February 19, 2017

Prelude  
 Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship  
 Invocation

**\*Hymns: Blue/HWB #70      “Immortal, invisible God only wise”**  
**Green/SJ #72      “One is the body”**

Sharing of Joys and Concerns / Prayer of the Church

Offering / Offertory prayer

Children’s Time      Kathy Braun

**Hymn: (on screen)      “I am Jesus’ Little Lamb”**

Scripture Lesson: Genesis 22:1-19

**Hymn: Blue/HWB #570      “We walk by faith”**  
**Purple/SS #39      “Will you come and follow me”**

Sermon:      “Abraham’s Radical Trust”      Patty Friesen

**\*Hymn: (on screen)      “Jesus draw me ever nearer”**

**\*Benediction: God of light, illumine our lives, that we may see rightly, love deeply and act justly. In the example of Jesus, Amen**

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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, Feb 21, rescheduled Education mtg 7:00 pm**
- **Wednesday, February 22, Bible Study, 10:30 am**

### NEXT SUNDAY

- **Welcome new member Terri Lynn Friesen & Communion**
  - **Family Faspa & Games night, 5:00 pm**
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**Sunday, Feb 26:** Terri Lynn Friesen sharing

Song leader: Michelle McKinnell     Pianist: Mark Bigland-Pritchard

Worship leader: Patty Friesen     Nursery: Marlene Campbell

Children's time: Terri Lynn Friesen     Sound: Stephanie Siemens

Ushers: Lloyd Sawatzky, Dick Bruan

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### **Remember in Prayer:**

- Marge Braun moving to Oliver Lodge Room #9
- those who served at Friendship Inn.     -Nelda & Ramon's accident
- the family of Winona Wheeler at the passing of her husband Tyrone Tootoosis.     - Adeline and Linda's sister Mary's cancer
- Stephanie's trip to Halifax     -Russ Regier's continued hospital stay
- family of Richard Dyck whose memorial service was at OMC.
- Dave Feick's dad who is struggling with pneumonia
- Theresa Loewen's reunited with her boys

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Patty's Week:** Tues. sermon, visits; Wed: Bible study, visits; Fri: office, visits.

**Terri Lynn's Week:** Mon: Family Day @ Shekinah; Tues: Ed. Mtg; Thurs: Youth; Fri: office, visits.

**\*Please donate to a care package for Zachary Stefaniuk** who is attending CMU. Please place your items in the basket on the foyer table by today, **February 19**.

**\*Fabulous Family Faspa & Games Night next Sunday, February 26, 5:00 pm.** Please bring faspa food to share and your favourite games to play. Beverages supplied. Sponsored by the Deacons.

**\*Willow Cree Healing Lodge visit on March 2nd.** See the bulletin board for details.

**\*Osler Winter Fest Saturday, Mar. 4** with Shiny, Family Bingo, and Kaiser tournament. OMC winnings can be donated to the Refugee Fund :) See Poster on the bulletin board.

**\*Julie Bergen's Ordination Service will be on March 5<sup>th</sup>.** Eileen Klassen will be speaking. We will have a potluck at 11:30. **Please sign the card on the foyer table for Julie.**

**\*March 5 Potluck:** Our lunch group leaders will be **Carl Martens-Funk and Brandee and Rob Borne, with helpers whose last names start with M-Z.** Please bring extra food for chaplain guests. We will eat at 11:30 am, seated with potluck mixer of symbols of healing.

**\*Warman Community band concert on March 5, at 2 p.m.** at the Warman Gospel Church on central.

**\*Blanket Making for MCC on March 20-24 starting at 9:00 am** each morning. MCC provides material aid assistance to refugees and displaced people in the world and we want to help by providing blankets. Please come out and spend a few hours, a day or the week.

**\*Heart to Heart: Ladies,** we are very excited to announce that Cindy Wallace, from Warman Mennonite, will lead us in studying the **Book of Esther on Tuesday, March 14 and Tuesday, April 18, 7:00 pm** each evening. Please read the book prior to the first meeting.

\*Our new treasurer is Matthew Braun. **A new email account for treasurer related business** is now available:  
[osler.mc.treasurer@gmail.com](mailto:osler.mc.treasurer@gmail.com)

**\*A list of requested items for our refugee family, the Al Nouri family, is on the bulletin board.** Please check it out, and if you are able to donate any of the items, please contact Linda Stucky.

\*The new spring **Rejoice!** Booklet is now available in the foyer.

\***MHSS AGM, March 3-4.** See poster on the bulletin board.

**\*OMC delegates needed for the MC Sask ADS\_- March 10 & 11. Please talk to Christy if you would like to be a delegate.**

**\*Shekinah Winter Fun Day:** Monday, February 20. Everything is free – tubing, skiing, skating, broomball, sleigh rides, wiener roast.

**\*Shekinah will be hosting a crafting retreat** March 17-19, 2017. Join us for a weekend of sewing, knitting, crocheting, quilting, scrapbooking or wherever your creativity takes you. The theme is “Love your neighbour” and Leticia Kathumba (IVEP) will be sharing her story. We also encourage you to create and donate something towards the MCC relief sale in June. Information and registration is online at [www.shekinahretreatcentre.org](http://www.shekinahretreatcentre.org) or call us at 306-945-4929

### **TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: Genesis 22:1-19**

22After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, ‘Abraham!’ And he said, ‘Here I am.’<sup>2</sup> He said, ‘Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt-offering on one of the mountains that I

shall show you.’<sup>3</sup> So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt-offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him.<sup>4</sup> On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away.<sup>5</sup> Then Abraham said to his young men, ‘Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you.’<sup>6</sup> Abraham took the wood of the burnt-offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together.<sup>7</sup> Isaac said to his father Abraham, ‘Father!’ And he said, ‘Here I am, my son.’ He said, ‘The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt-offering?’<sup>8</sup> Abraham said, ‘God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt-offering, my son.’ So the two of them walked on together.

<sup>9</sup> When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood.<sup>10</sup> Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son.<sup>11</sup> But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, and said, ‘Abraham, Abraham!’ And he said, ‘Here I am.’<sup>12</sup> He said, ‘Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.’<sup>13</sup> And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt-offering instead of his son.<sup>14</sup> So Abraham called that place ‘The LORD will provide’; as it is said to this day, ‘On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided.’

<sup>15</sup> The angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven,<sup>16</sup> and said, ‘By myself I have sworn, says the LORD: Because you have done this, and have not withheld your son, your only son,<sup>17</sup> I will indeed bless you, and I will make your offspring as numerous as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of their enemies,<sup>18</sup> and by your offspring shall all the nations of the earth gain blessing for themselves, because you have obeyed my voice.’<sup>19</sup> So Abraham returned to his young men, and they arose and went together to Beer-sheba; and Abraham lived at Beer-sheba.