

OMC CALENDAR

- Nov 12 Adult Education, 11:15 am with Dave Feick
Nov 18 Serve at Friendship Inn, 11:30 am
Low German Refugee Fundraiser, 7:00 pm
MegaMenno Youth @ OMC, 7:00 pm
Nov 19 Adult Choir practice at noon
Nov 20 Heart to Heart-“Live your call” Part 2, 7:00 pm
Nov 22 Missions & Service meeting, 7:00 pm
Nov 25 MC Sask Fall Leadership Assembly @ OMC
Nov 26 Adult choir practice at noon
Dec 1 Hanging of the Greens/Decorating, 7:00 pm Hot
chocolate afterwards!
Dec 2 Ladies Christmas Luncheon, 11:30 am -1:30 pm
Youth Child-care service project
Dec 16 Youth Christmas Party
Dec 17 Blue Christmas/Lament in Advent, 7:00 pm

Worship leader: Adeline Cox Song leader: Ben Buhler
Guitarist: Ben Buhler Sound: Dan Schellenberg
Ushers: Anna Peters, Dick Braun

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OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan
A Welcoming Christian
Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
November 12, 2017

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: (Psalm 29)

Leader: Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings,

People: Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

L: Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;

P: Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness.

L: The voice of the Lord is over the waters;

P: The God of glory thunders over mighty waters.

L: The voice of the Lord is powerful,

**P: The voice of the Lord is full of majesty;
it breaks in pieces the cedars of Lebanon.**

L: The Lord gives strength to God's people.

ALL: The Lord blesses God's people with peace.

Invocation

***Hymn: Green/SJ #108 “Give thanks for life”**

Blue/HWB #580 “My life flows on”

Sharing Joys & Concerns / Prayer of the Church

Offering / **Offertory Prayer: HWB #749**

Children's Time

Adeline Cox

Collection of Loose Change

Hymn: Blue/HWB #304 “There are many gifts”

Scripture lessons: Wisdom of Solomon 6:12-19; Ephesians 4:1-16

Hymn: Green/SJ #93 “Wehrlos und verlassen sehnt sich”

Sermon: “The Wisdom of Remembering” Patty Friesen

Hymn: Blue/HWB #581 “Take thou my hand, O Father”

*Benediction: Holy God, as we leave today, stir in us your Divine Peace which passes all understanding. Let us not forget in the days ahead that true peacemaking requires daily mindfulness and holy listening. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

*(*Please rise)*

To all our visitors: WELCOME. We are delighted that you are worshiping 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 9:15 am.
- **Beverages & snacks** available after the worship service.
- **Sunday School** for all ages begins at 11:15 am.
- **Adult S.S. in room #007 with Dave Feick**

THIS WEEK

- **Wednesday, November 15, 7:00 pm: Education meeting.**
- **Saturday, November 18, 7:00 pm: Low German/English Refugee Fundraiser**
- **Saturday, November 18, 7:00 pm: MegaMenno Youth Event – “MennoNite Fun & On the Run”**

NEXT SUNDAY

- **Adult choir practice at noon.**

Next Sunday, Nov 19: Katie Wiebe & SMYO leading worship.

Song leader: Kevin Boldt Worship Leader: Terry Stefaniuk

Guitarist: Melanie Boldt Children's Time: Vanessa Stefaniuk

Sound: Dan Schellenberg Ushers: Anna Peters, Dick Braun

UPCOMING SERVICES

Nov 26: Julie Bergen preaching

Dec 3: First Advent – “A Wakeful Faith” by Patty Friesen

Dec 10: Second Advent – “John the Baptist” by Patty Friesen

Dec 17: 10:00 am – Sunday School Christmas Program - “Outstanding in their Field” followed by Christmas coffee.

Dec 24: 10:00 am – Christmas Hymn Sing

7:00 pm – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Dec 31: “Christ is born!” – Audrey Bechtel preaching

Patty's Week: Tues: visits, spiritual direction; Wed: hog butchering; Fri: office, FIM, visits.

Terri Lynn's Week: Tues: office; Wed: ed. mtg (pm); Thurs: office, visit; Fri: Transitioning into Ministry class, MegaMenno prep; Sat: Friendship Inn, MegaMenno.

Remember in Prayer:

-Our condolences to the Kruger family on the death of Elizabeth Kruger, age 95. Her memorial service will be here on Friday, December 1, 11:00 am.

-thanks for great MCC AGM and for 91 OMC blankets.

-Lacey Braun and Brennden MacKenzie's wedding today.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***Congregational Ministries and Pastors Annual Review:** As part of Church Council's annual review of our programs and staffing, we invite the congregation to give us feedback on what brings you joy from our church, what you might like to see change, and anything else you would like to share. Please see, call or email any Church Council member **before November 20th**. We will use the information as we consider our church activities for the next year.

***MCC Saskatchewan Concert & Fundraiser** - Canadian singer-songwriter, Cat Jahnke, will appear for one special night at the MCC Centre (600 – 45th St W, Saskatoon) **today, November 12th** at 7:00pm. Donations will be gratefully received to support MCC's many current disaster responses. Doors open at 6:00pm.

***Wednesday, November 15:** RJC Kielke & Sausage Fundraising Supper at Bethany Manor. First seating 4:30 pm for Bethany Manor residents & guests. Second seating 6:30 pm for families & friends of RJC. Call 306-232-4222 or email office@rjc.sk.ca to reserve. Admission is by donation, and the RJC Chorale will be performing at both seatings. **Everyone is welcome!**

***Saturday, Nov. 18, 7 p.m. at OMC – “Sposz, Plautz enn Pripps.”** Come for an enjoyable evening filled with laughter as we share the translations of Low German phrases, storytelling and music--this will be a mixture of English and Plautdietsch, so whether you grew up speaking Low German or have learned from the Mennonite community, you will have a fun time. Donations will be accepted towards the Refugee Fund.

***Adult choir practice** on Sunday's at noon, starting November 19th.

***Come to watch Congregational Competitive Curling** on Tuesday, November 21, 10:30 am at the Granite on 1st Ave.

*** Tues. Nov. 21, 6:00 p.m: All are invited to a Friends of Shekinah Thank You banquet at the Timber Lodge.** Please RSVP to 306-945-4929, office@shekinahretreatcentre.org.

***Helen Peters, from the Warman Special Care Home, says “Hi” and people can text her at 306-491-1484.**

***Ladies & Girls Christmas Luncheon on Saturday, December 2,** 11:30 am here at OMC. The sign-up sheet is now on the bulletin board with all the details.

***Cree words for the day:** kisik = sky; pewapan = dawn

***Student Bursary Application forms** for attending a Mennonite school are available on the North bulletin board. Please talk to Doug McKinnell for more information.

***Donations to OMC:** There are many ways in which you can donate to OMC. Cheques, cash, direct deposit and etransfer. Loretta has direct deposit forms in the office. For etransfers, please use the following email: osler.mc.treasurer@gmail.com Please talk to Matthew B if you have any questions.

***Sonrisa Women's Choir and A Buncha Guys** come together for two concerts this Christmas season. **Saturday, December 9th** at 7:30 at Knox United Church in Saskatoon, and **Sunday, December 17th** at 7:00 at Shekinah Retreat Centre. Donations from both concerts will go to support Shekinah. Please join us!

***A Thank you from MC Sask:** “We really appreciate individuals and congregations giving this year, however this time of year always leaves MC Sask income a little short of budget (about \$40,000). As we work together in fulfilling our commitments we planned and budgeted for in 2017, please consider making an additional donation to MC Sask. For your 2018 budget all giving for MC Sask and MC Canada will be given to MC Sask and MC Canada's share will be forwarded to them. We trust your total giving will remain about the same. Thank you again, it has been a pleasure working together.”
(from MC Sask Council).

YOUTH CALENDAR

Saturday, Dec 2: Youth child-care service project: Babysitting provided for ‘Parents’ Advent Day Off’! (time TBA).

Saturday Dec 16: Christmas Party @ Josh & Cindy Wallace's

***MCC Connects:** Bill C-262, the *United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act*, is a private member's bill before Parliament right now. The bill seeks to ensure that the laws of Canada are in line with the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP). In January 2017, MCC Canada issued a statement which reads in part, "we affirm the principles of self-determination, equality and respect embedded in UNDRIP and commit ourselves anew to the ministry of reconciliation entrusted to us by Jesus Christ, the great reconciler". Please join other Christians in urging the Canadian government to fulfill its commitment to reconciliation by supporting the passage of this important bill through Parliament. For more information and the opportunity to send a direct message to relevant MPs, visit MCC Canada's website at: mcccanada.ca/get-involved/advocacy/campaigns/why-support-bill-c-262-undrip-act

TODAY'S SCRIPTURES:

Wisdom of Solomon 6:12-19 (Apocrypha - Good News Bible)

Wisdom shines bright and never grows dim; those who love her and look for her can easily find her. She is quick to make herself known to anyone who desires her. Get up early in the morning to find her, and you will have no problem; you will find her sitting at your door. To fasten your attention on Wisdom is to gain perfect understanding. If you look for her, you will soon find peace of mind, because she will be looking for those who are worthy of her, and she will find you wherever you are. She is kind and will be with you in your every thought. Wisdom begins when you sincerely want to learn. To desire Wisdom is to love her; to love her is to keep her laws; to keep her laws is to be certain of immortality; immortality will bring you close to God.

Ephesians 4:1-16 (FNV)

Because I walk the road with our Honoured Chief, I have been made a prisoner. I now call on you to join me in a good way as you follow the path chosen for you. Walk with a humble and gentle spirit, patiently showing love and respect to each other. Let the Spirit weave you together in peace as you dance in step with one another in the great circle of life. In this circle we are joined together in one body, by one Spirit chosen to follow one purpose. There is only one Honoured Chief, one common faith and one purification ceremony. There is one Great Spirit and Father of us all, who is above all, and who works in and through all. The Spirit's kindness has gifted each of us from the headdress of the Chosen One. That is why it is said, "When he was lifted up on high, he captured many warriors, took their spoils of war and gave them back to the people." What does he was lifted up mean? It could only mean that he had to first come down, into the lowest parts of the earth so he could be lifted up to the highest place, and be the one who would restore all things.

The Chosen one gifted us with message bearers, prophets, tellers of the Good Story and wisdom keepers, who watch over us like a shepherd watches over sheep. These gifts were given to prepare Creator's holy people for the work of helping others and to make the body of the Chosen One strong until we all follow the Good Road in harmony with each other because we know and understand who Creator's Son is. We will then be like the Chosen One - mature human beings, living and walking in his ways, and fully reflecting who he is. No longer will we be like children who are tossed about by the waves and follow every voice they hear in the wind. We will no longer listen to the human tricksters with their forked tongues. Instead, as mature human beings, we will walk out this truth on the path of love. When we become fully grown, we will be like the Chosen One, joined together with him in the same way a body is connected to its head. Every joint in this body is needed to hold it together and help it grow. When all the parts work together the way they should, then the body grows strong in the love of the Great Spirit.