

MCC Connects: Thank you for your continued prayer support of the International Volunteer Exchange Program (IVEP). A host family is still needed to accommodate a participant in Saskatoon, SK. If you feel led to open your home to a male IVEPer from September 2017 to July 2018, please contact Kaytee at KayteeEdwards@mccsk.ca for more information.

OMC CALENDAR

Sept 4 Holy Hikers @ Wanuskewin, 11:00 am
Sept 6 Executive meeting, 1:00; Education meeting, 7:00 pm
Sept 7 Church Council meeting, 7:00 pm
Sept 10 Sunday School begins, 11:15 am
Sept 10 **Fall Fellowship Feast potluck at noon.** Lunch group D-L in charge.
Sept 12 Worship committee meeting, 7:00 pm
Sept 14 M & S meeting, 7:00 pm
Sept 18 Wedding shower for Lacey Braun, 7:00 pm
Sept 24 MC Sask/OMC Listening & Discernment Faspa meeting, 5:00 pm. Please bring goodies for faspa.
Sept 27 Deacons meeting, 1:00 pm
Sept 30 Ancient Echoes Tour in Herschel. Check upcoming bulletins for more information.

Season of Prayer

Lord, what are you calling us to let go of?

When we've put in so much effort, and when we've held on for so long, we struggle to hear 'let it go'. Help us to hear you, Lord, and help us loosen our grip and place it all in Your hands.

Worship leader: Adeline Cox Song leader: Kathryn Janzen
Pianist: Lynette Janzen Sound: Doug McKinnell
Ushers: Cornie Guenther, John Gascho

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OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan
A Welcoming Christian
Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
September 3, 2017

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: (inspired by 1 Samuel & written by R. Bott)

Leader: What do you do, when God calls?

People: Wake up. Listen. Act.

Leader: What do you do when God asks you to do something difficult?

People: Wake up. Listen. Act.

Leader: What do you do when God asks you to do something impossible?

People: Wake up. Listen. Act. Because, with God, nothing is impossible.

Leader: Even changing ourselves?

People: Even changing the world. Wake up! Listen! Act!

Leader: And, with all this living,

All: We worship God.

Invocation

***Hymns: Blue/HWB #70 “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”
Green/SJ #54 “Longing for light”**

Sharing Joys & Concerns / Prayer of the Church

Offering: **Blue/HWB#384 “We give thee but thine own” (v. 1,2,5)**

Offertory Prayer

Scripture Skit – 1 Samuel 3:1-12

Children's Time

Edna Zacharais

Hymn: Blue/HWB #395 "Here I am, Lord"

Scripture lesson: Romans 12:9-21

Hymn: "Holy Spirit" (on screen)

Sermon: "Leadership is a Necessity" Patty Friesen & Ben Buhler

***Hymn: Green/ SJ #79 "As I went down to the river"**

***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 at 9:15** in Classroom 1.

THIS WEEK

- **Wednesday, Sept 6: Executive meeting, 1:00 pm**
- **Wednesday, Sept 6: Education meeting, 7:00 pm**
- **Thursday, Sept 7: Church Council meeting, 7:00 pm**
- **Saturday, September 9th, 6:30 pm: YOUTH KICK-OFF** at the church.

NEXT SUNDAY

- **Loose Change Sunday**
- **Centering Prayer** at 9:15 am in Classroom 1.
- **Sunday School for all ages begins at 11:15 am**
- **Fall Fellowship Potluck at noon. Steve Guenther and Diane McKinnell are group leaders for helpers whose last names start with D-L.**

UPCOMING SERVICES

Sept 10 – Loose Change Sunday

Sep 17 - "Leadership is a Calling for All of Us" by Patty Friesen and Glen Grismer

Sept 24 - Florence Driedger preaching

Next Sunday, Sept. 10: "Leadership is a challenge" Patty Friesen

Song leader: Kathryn Janzen Pianist: Lynette Janzen

Worship Leader: Terri Lynn Friesen Children's Time: Adeline Cox

Sound: Matthew Stefanuik Ushers: Cornie Guenther, John Gascho

Remember in Prayer:

-Noah G's recovery from emergency appendectomy

-people displaced from fires at Pelican Narrows and flooding in Houston.

-students going back to school

-thanksgiving for Sandra and Torben's 1st anniversary today and their service with the Red Cross in B.C.

Patty's Week: Mon: Holy Hikers; Tues: sermon, visits; Wed: office, executive; Thurs: council; Fri: office, visits.

Terri Lynn's Week: Mon: holiday; Tues: off; Wed: office, exec mtg, education mtg; Thur: youth & course prep, council; Fri: TiM course, visit; Sat: youth.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***Looking for a musician and worship leader for September 10** service at Bethany Manor. Please contact Dave Feick.

***Sunday School Kick Off!** Next Sunday, September 10, will be the first Sunday school session for the new year. We will have a special intergenerational kick off with a variety of informational and fun activities.

If you would like to assist with Sunday school this coming year, you may sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board or speak with Steve Guenther or John Reddekopp.

***The Youth & Mega Menno Fall calendar** will be coming out soon - stay tuned for youth emails and posters.

***Holy Hikers at Wanuskewin, Sept 4, Labour Day Monday 11:00 am.** Bring hat, water, hiking shoes, and a picnic lunch or you can buy an expensive lunch there. Park entrance fee: Adults \$8.50, Seniors 7.50, etc. We'll watch the film, hike the hills and eat lunch.

***Vegetable Hampers:** Harvesting vegetables in our gardens is happening these days and here is an opportunity for you to share your produce. M & S Committee would like to make 5 vegetable hampers to hand out to families in the community who would benefit from fresh vegetables. If you have vegetables you would like to donate **please bring them to church on Wednesday, September 6th** by 10:00am. If you have any questions please talk to Margaret Dyck.

***First Annual Local Food Trail cycle extravanza.** Go to <http://www.localfoodtrail.com> for details about the trail.

Saturday Sept 9 - beginning at Farmyard Market and cycling down the backroads of the Osler area to Petters Vegetables, Pineview Farms, Anna's Orchard and ending at PS Liquor and Market. Might even be sausage on a bun at Gord and Lynne's place at the end of the trail as well as transportation back to your vehicle at Farmyard Market. As well as the opportunity to sample some of the great food produced on these farms. Likely starting around 10:30 or 11 am.

From Gord Enns, Executive Director, Saskatoon Food Council (306) 221-9942, saskatoon.foodcouncil@usask.ca.

***Love Soup Making** for Community Need, Elders and Winter Surgery Recovery - **Monday, October 2 at 7:00 p.m.** Folks willing to make soup stock, please take Pineview bones out of the church freezer and freeze stock. We also need wide-mouth jars and veg saved for squash soup and borscht. Contact Adeline or Terri Lynn.

***Congratulations to Terri Lynn** for being accepted into Clinical Pastoral Education at St. Paul's Hospital beginning Sept 19-April 11, 2018 for two days a week in class and in visitation. As a congregation, we are thankful for this opportunity and will be in prayerful support.

***Friendship Inn Opportunities:** Please sign up for **September 16.**

***Church yard maintenance: Doug & Diane McKinnell and Karl Martens & Michelle McKinnell are scheduled for Sept 4-9.** It is your responsibility to trade with someone if the week you are assigned does not work for you.

***Refresh, Refocus, Renew Mini Retreat, Sept 15 & 16** at Wildwood Mennonite Church, Saskatoon. Join us as Betty Pries leads us. Registration available at <http://mcsask.ca/mc-sask-events/> or call the office at 306-249-4844.

***Osler Fit Over 50/Forever in Motion** exercise group leaders needed to train in the city in September to help sub in. Don't actually have to be fit to begin! Please contact Susan Braun or Patty Friesen.

***Ride for Refuge: September 30th,** the Prairie Goats will be riding to support The Bridge Fellowship Centre. To support the Prairie Goats, there are donation sheets on the bulletin board or give directly through the Ride for Refuge website. If you would like to join the ride, just check in with team members; Keri, Kathryn or James. The more the merrier! Cash or cheque donations can be given to Keri or Kathryn for safe keeping 'til ride day.

***Climate Justice Saskatoon** is running a series of structured but informal community consultations, and as part of this is reaching out to the Mennonite community. We are initially approaching people who may be reasonably sympathetic and/or interested in learning more about climate-related issues to be part of a workshop to learn, talk and engage with each other about this topic. Mark Bigland-Pritchard, Myriam Ullah, Torrey Falconer and Craig Friesen are planning to host this workshop on the following dates:

September 10th 4:30-8:30pm; September 17th 4:30-8:30pm

September 23rd 4:30-8:30pm; September 24th 4:30-8:30pm

The workshops will take place at the SK Mennonite Central Committee office (600 45th St W.), and will include a (simple) potluck meal.

If interested, please let Torrey Falconer know and he will be happy to sign you up! MCC Saskatchewan 600 - 45th St W | Saskatoon, SK S7L 5W9 306-665-2555 www.mccsk.ca

***Warman Mennonite Art Show and Pig Roast**, Sat. Sept. 9, Art Show Display 1-4 pm, Pork Roast Supper at 5 pm. Tickets for supper are \$15 adults, children under 12—\$10, kids under 5 free. Tickets available from Ron Harms, Sam Dyck or Wayne Reddekopp.

***RJC NEWS: *RJC Registration Day: Monday, September 4.**

***RJC Opening Program** will be held on Sunday, September 17th at 2:30 pm in the RJC gymnasium.

***Station Singers will begin rehearsals** Sept 11, 7:30 pm at the Station Arts Centre in Rosthern. New singers are welcome. Our Christmas concert will consist mainly of music by John Rutter.

***Sonrisa Women's Choir** invites new and returning singers to join us for another inspiring season. Rehearsals will be from **6:30-8:00 on Wednesday evenings at Nutana Park Mennonite Church, beginning Sept 13th.** To indicate your interest and for more information contact Lynne at gord.lynne@sasktel.net.

TODAYS SCRIPTURES: 1 Samuel 3:1-12,19-21

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

2 At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; ³the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. ⁴Then the LORD called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' and he said, 'Here I am!' ⁵and ran to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call; lie down again.' So he went and lay down. ⁶The LORD called again, 'Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call, my son; lie down again.' ⁷Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. ⁹Therefore Eli said to Samuel, 'Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say,

"Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening." ' So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

10 Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' And Samuel said, 'Speak, for your servant is listening.' ¹¹Then the LORD said to Samuel, 'See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. ¹²On that day I will fulfil against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end.

19 As Samuel grew up, the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. ²⁰And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the LORD. ²¹The LORD continued to appear at Shiloh, for the LORD revealed himself to Samuel at Shiloh by the word of the LORD.

Romans 12:9-21

9 Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. ¹¹Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹²Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. ¹³Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

14 Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, 'Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.' ²⁰No, 'if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.' ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.