

RAINBOW MENNONITE CHURCH

July 9, 2017

Welcome to our service of worship and celebration. We invite you to sign our register and to worship with us whenever you can. We welcome everyone without regard to race, ethnic identity, gender, sexual orientation, age, and economic or other life circumstances. Information about our church and about the Mennonite faith is available on the brochure racks near the side entrances to the sanctuary. After the worship service, the Welcome Committee invites you to the designated Welcome Table in the Fellowship Hall (lower level) to connect with other attendees.

Today's greeters are **George Melby and Samantha Stayton**. Ushers are **John Mueller and David Becker**. Please ask any of them if you need assistance with seating, would like to use a large-print hymnal, need a hearing assistance device or have questions about the location of the restrooms. The nursery is located on the second floor of the education wing. Our nursery workers today are **Ashton Wells, Kendrick Beachey and Abigail Grittman**.

Closing Trustee: **Mitch Kaufman**

Please remember in prayer...

- Annie Jones suffered a broken leg after a fall at Rainbow recently. She has had one of the two surgeries that she will need. She is at Lakeview Village in Lenexa, KS and welcomes visitors!
- Russel Yoder as he receives skilled care at The Healthcare Resort of Shawnee Mission in Overland Park.
- Michelle, Kendric, Delaney, and Gabriela Beachey following the death of Michelle's mother Dianne Dennis. Services were held last Monday.

This morning's second hour will focus on a symposium being held at the World War 1 Museum in KC in October called "Muted Voices," or Conscientious Objection during WW1. Andrew Bolton, who has been a part of the planning team for this event, will be at Rainbow to share more about this symposium and how Rainbow will be involved.

Next Sunday following worship, there will be sharing from the MCUSA convention in Orlando. Please plan to attend!

Mennonite Voluntary Service

Thank you MVSers! Christina, Michael, and Kham will finish their MVS assignments in mid-July. Michael and Kham will travel to Canada for a final Mennonite Central Committee retreat before returning to their home countries. Christina will travel home to her family, before starting new adventures this fall. The MVS Support Board would like to thank them for their time of service to the greater KC community. Kimberly Hunter will be living in the house as a house manager during this upcoming MVS sabbatical year.

Children ages 3 to 11 years old: save the date for Rainbow's one day Vacation Bible School on Saturday, July 29th from 9:30am-2pm. The theme this year is *Women of the Bible*. Come for the stories, music, and snack! Please RSVP to Renee at reneer@rainbowmennonite.org

The Youth Education Committee is looking for volunteers to help with Vacation Bible School on July 29th. Help is needed to stay with each age level, lead crafts, lead recreation, and help with snack and check in. Please email Renee at reneer@rainbowmennonite.org if you are interested in helping!

Rainbow Church Council has called for a special congregational meeting scheduled for **Sunday, August 13 immediately following fellowship time, during the second hour**. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss proposed changes to the youth education/faith formation committee structure. Please look for more information soon about a new proposed structure.

The Western District Conference annual assembly will be held August 4-6 in Arlington, TX. If you are interested in attending this assembly and/or serving as a delegate, please contact the church office. More information about the assembly can be found on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall or online at <http://mennowdc.org>

It turns out the **path of the solar eclipse that will occur on August 21** crosses very near the home of Gail and Steve Goeke. Gail and Steve would like to open their acre property and home near Excelsior Springs for those who would like to gather for this event. Please email (steve.gail.goeke@gmail.com), call or speak with Gail or Steve if you plan to attend. You are welcome to arrive the night before as there is plenty of room for tents and RV's. Look for more detailed information to come.

Staff News

Carrie Parsons will be out of office Monday, returning on Tuesday, July 11.

Pastor Ruth will be out of town July 14-16.

Sharing Community in Rosedale News

Rainbow Summer Program begins week five out of six this week! All are invited to the finale at Vox Theatre on Thursday, July 20. Here are some other ways you can help:

- Place pre-prepared food on trays for the scholars (breakfast or lunch)
- Teach an activity to aftercare scholars
- Be a read aloud guest in the morning
- Come and read to a scholar in the classroom

If interested in helping, contact Ashton at sharinginrosedale@gmail.com

Community News

Cross-Lines Food Pantry is in need of food. You can help by donating funding to purchase fresh fruit, meat and other items or by donating shelf stable healthy food such as canned chicken, jelly, peanut butter, non-sugary cereals and low-sodium and whole grain items. We appreciate your gift to our Food Pantry and EVERY DOLLAR will go for the purchase of food for our Food Pantry. Your gift will allow families to have fresh food including ground beef or turkey, eggs, fresh fruit and vegetables and more. For more information about Cross-Lines or our Food Pantry, please visit our website at www.cross-lines.org.

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Attendance.....	129
Visitors (included in attendance count)	7
General Fund.....	\$18,609.00
Other Donations	\$ 1,434.00
Offering Totals.....	\$20,043.00

This Week

Sunday	July 9	MVS Lunch Meeting	12:00pm
Tuesday	July 11	Staff Meeting	1:30pm
		Summer Program Family Night	6:00pm
Thursday	July 13	RDA Food Preservation Workshop	6:00pm
		Trustee's Meeting	7:00pm

Next Week

Tuesday	July 18	Staff Meeting	1:30pm
Wednesday	July 19	Women's Luncheon	11:00am
Thursday	July 20	Summer Program Finale	6:00pm
		Deacon's Meeting	7:30pm