

# RAINBOW MENNONITE CHURCH

## March 17, 2018

Welcome to our worship service. We strive to welcome everyone without regard to race, ethnic identity, gender, sexual orientation, age, and economic or other life circumstances. For information about our church or the Mennonite faith, literature is available in the east and west foyers outside the sanctuary.

We invite you to sign our friendship register when it is passed during the offering. Between the worship service and Sunday school, please join us for coffee and donuts downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. Visitors and newcomers, please look for the Rainbow Connections Table!

This morning's ushers **David Becker and Mitch Kaufman**. Greeters are **George Melby and Jake Beachey**. Please ask 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 and is available for children from birth to age 4. This morning's nursery workers are **Barbara Baumgartner and Cynthia Olivarria**. The closing trustee is **Clif Hostetler**.

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### Remembering in Prayer...

Rainbow member Kathy Darcy died on Friday, March 8. Debra Sapp-Yarwood wrote her obituary which can be found in the Rainbow News email sent this past Wednesday.

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### This Morning at Rainbow ~ Second Sunday of Lent

- Worship 9:30am
- WorshipArts (K – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade) 10:25am
- Children & Youth Sunday School 10:50 – 11:40am
- Adult Sunday School 10:50 – 11:40am – Spring classes begin today. New class descriptions are available in the east and west foyers outside the sanctuary.

Everence Representative, Mitch Stutzman, will speak this afternoon in the Fellowship Hall from 12-1pm. Pizza will be served. Mitch will explore general themes of stewardship and will provide an introduction to the products and services available through Everence. Mitch will also be available during the fellowship/Sunday school time.

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### Announcements

During Ruth's sabbatical, the Rainbow Deacons are taking turns being on call for pastoral care concerns. Mike Peters is on call March 11 – 24.

Rainbow is Hiring and seeking applicants for two positions: **Director of Faith Formation and Youth Ministries** and **Outreach Ministries Coordinator**. Visit [rainbowmennonite.org](http://rainbowmennonite.org) for full job descriptions and application information.

**MennoCon19:** Register online at <https://convention.mennoniteusa.org/> for the Mennonite Church USA Convention this summer in Kansas City, July 2-9. **Register before March 20 take advantage of lower prices.** Please check the box requesting a copy of the latest Mennonite hymnal. If you aren't interested in keeping one for yourself, you could save the church \$20/hymnal by donating yours to Rainbow.

To honor Janelle Schrag and continue her legacy, the Janelle R. Schrag Accounting & Business Scholarship has been established at Bethel College. Once a scholarship is fully funded (\$20,000), scholarship recipients receive approximately \$500 per semester. Janelle's scholarship recipients will be female accounting or business majors with a history of community service or volunteerism. To donate to the endowed scholarship, please send tax deductible donations to: Bethel College, Development Office, 300 E. 27th Street, N. Newton, KS 67117 with *Janelle Schrag scholarship* in the Memo line. Donations can be made online at [www.BethelKS.edu](http://www.BethelKS.edu) or over the phone at 316-284-5250

**Sunday School Collection** - Children's Sunday school classes are collecting coins for Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) over the next several weeks. Feel free to hold on to your coins until we collect in the worship service at the end of March, or deliver the coins to the buckets in the Sunday School classrooms. Children will be learning about what MCC does with the donated money. Start collecting those coins, folks!

### **Rainbow Calendar of Spring Events ~ See insert for the 2019 Lenten Calendar**

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**The Rainbow MVS Guest House invites you to Sunset Tea & Lenten Reflection.** Each Sunday through Easter, from 4:30 – 6:00pm, we will gather around the living room fireplace (or backyard bonfire) with tea at 2303 S. Early Street, KCK and reflect on two of 14 Stations of the Cross readings by Mary Button. Button weaves this Catholic Lenten tradition with art, poetry, Scripture, and firsthand experiences of mental illness (including her own). The result is a colorful tapestry that inspires us to imagine how the threads of our individual lives might intertwine to create faith communities that are more connected, understanding, and reflective of the full Body of Christ - where each element is an essential part of the whole. For more info, contact Kimberly at 559-289-2716 or Sarah at [sarah.tomasmorgan@gmail.com](mailto:sarah.tomasmorgan@gmail.com).

**Beating Guns Tour:** Shane Claiborne and Michael Martin, co-authors of "Beating Guns: Hope for people who are weary of violence," are coming to Rainbow as part of their national book tour on April 2, 6pm. Contact Ben Parker Sutter to help with planning ([outreach@rainbowmennonite.org](mailto:outreach@rainbowmennonite.org)). Register for your free ticket online.\*

An Evening of Harp Music is coming to Rainbow on Thursday, April 11, at 7:00pm. **The Kansas City, Kansas Public Schools Harp Ensemble**, a student group under the direction of Aimee DeSotel, will open the night's program, followed by a solo concert by Erin Wood, KU harp instructor. Those who attended last year's harp concert were inspired and very appreciative. We encourage you to put this on your calendars and invite your friends and neighbors. It will be a free concert, followed by a reception in the Wesley Room. The event is sponsored by the Rainbow Performing Arts Committee.

**Tracy Long Memorial Basketball Camp with Jackie Stiles, April 27:** The first ever Tracy Long Memorial Basketball Camp hosted by former WNBA star Jackie Stiles at Whitmore Park will be April 27! Tracy was a fierce competitor who courageously battled ovarian cancer. Tracy and her daughters have been following Jackie Stiles since she was breaking records at Southwest Missouri State. The camp is FREE and will be held for 4th-8th grade girls. Registration is limited to the first 50 girls.\* Following the camp, Jackie will speak on resiliency and hard work at Rainbow Mennonite Church at 4:30 pm. The event is also free, but please RSVP.\*

Save the Date - Everyone is invited to a Baby Shower for Leah and Greg Schwartz on Sunday, May 5th - Cinco de Mayo! Details to come.

## **Youth News and Events**

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Sunday March 24: Jr. High Breakfast 8:30am and Sr. High Lunch 11am-12:30pm

Sunday March 31: Youth Movie Night 5-8pm includes dinner. Movies include the Sound of Music and Goonies

Sunday April 7: Variety Show Extravaganza 6:00pm; Youth arrive 5:30 pm

Saturday April 13: Youth Service Day 8am – 1pm

Sunday April 14: Mentor Recognition and Lunch

Did you know Rainbow can help families who need assistance with fees for Camp Mennoscah or MCUSA Convention this summer? Please contact Deacon chair, Mike Peters if this would be helpful for your family.

## **Staff Updates**

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Carrie Parsons will be out of the office March 18 and 19. Thank you to Kay Schmidt and Linda Hiebert for filling in as office help this week! Terry Rouse will be out of the office March 18 and 19. Mark Bartholomew will be out of the office March 19-21.

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\*See Rainbow's Facebook Page or Rainbow News email for links to tickets, registration or to RSVP.

## Community Events

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**The Next Chapter Kansas City** forum on Tuesday, March 26 will focus on "Steps to Achieve a Successful Lawn and Garden with Wyandotte County Extension Master Gardeners, Don Crim and Lynn Wild. The forum will be held at the West Wyandotte Library, 1737 No. 82nd St, KCKS free of no charge. For information, contact Karen Hostetler.

**The Rosedale Development Association invites Rainbow Mennonites to register as an individual, family or church team for the annual all-Rosedale cleanup on Saturday morning, April 13.** Connect with neighbors while serving your community, and the team with the most participants wins a park party! 8am: Begin at Fisher Park (3800 Fisher Street, KCK 66103) for signup, map, instructions & supplies. 12pm: End at Fisher Park for a cookout, lawn party, and music. To RSVP or learn more, contact Kimberly at 913-677-5097 or [kimberly@rosedale.org](mailto:kimberly@rosedale.org).

### March 10, 2019

Attendance .....	148
Visitors (included in attendance count) .....	6
General Fund.....	\$15,415.40
Other Donations .....	\$279.37
<b>Total Offering .....</b>	<b>\$ 15,694.77</b>

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### This Week

Sunday	Mar 17	Second Sunday of Lent	
		Rainbow Strings	4:00pm
Tuesday	Mar 19	Staff Meeting	1:00pm
Wednesday	Mar 20	Taize Service	5:45pm
		Choir Meal	6:15pm
		Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm

### Next Week

Sunday	Mar 24	Third Sunday of Lent ~ Choral Presentation	
		Jr High Breakfast	8:30am
		Sr High Lunch	11:00am
		Playground Committee Meeting	11:50am
Monday	Mar 25	SCR Board Meeting	6:30pm
Tuesday	Mar 26	Staff Meeting	1:00pm
Wednesday	Mar 27	Women's Luncheon	11:00pm
		Taize Service	5:45pm
		Choir Meal	6:15pm
		Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm
Thursday	Mar 28	Church Council Meeting	7:00pm