RAINBOW MENNONITE CHURCH November 17, 2019

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 are **Jonathan Bollinger**, **Karen and Lia Uhlenhuth**. Greeters are **Dick and Brenda Tatro**. Please ask them if you need assistance with seating, use of a large-print hymnal, hearing assistance device or have questions about the location of the restrooms. The nursery, available for children from birth to age 4, is located on the second floor in the education wing. Nursery workers are **Kendric Beachey**, **Alison Unruh and Fischer Unruh**.

Remembering in Prayer...

We ask for prayers for the Boehm and Goertz families. Bob Boehm, husband of Helen Goertz, brother-in-law of Kenn Goertz and Sallie Page-Goertz, passed away on October 21. A funeral service will be held at Rainbow on November 24 at 4:00pm.

Krista Kaufman's mother, Ann Showalter, died peacefully on November 6. She had recently been diagnosed with gastric cancer. A memorial service was held at Shalom Mennonite Church in Newton on November 12. We appreciate prayers during the upcoming days as we recognize her many accomplishments and celebrate her life. ~ Blessings, Krista and Robert

This Morning at Rainbow

WorshipArts (K – 5th Grade) 10:30 – 10:55am (Rainbow Room)
Sunday School for all ages 10:50 – 11:45am (Adult class options listed on back)

Announcements

Notice from the Rainbow Safety Committee: The East Doors will be continue to be locked at the start of the 9:30am worship service. A sign is placed on the East doors alerting all who arrive after 9:30am to go to the West doors, which will remain unlocked all morning. Please note that we will re-evaluate this plan in January, after this initial trial period. Members of the Safety Team include Dale Graham, Steven Cress, Barbara Baumgartner, Darin Kaufman, Dick Tatro and Carrie Parsons.

RMC Sunday School parents--Rainbow's Sunday School students are currently working on a unique project for this year's Christmas Program. Over the next se veral weeks, students will be working with Paul Zehr, Christina Hofer, and Eliot Hartzler to create a zany fusion of recorded audio and theatrical pantomime.

- During Sunday School hour, K-5 students will be involved in recording on this morning and Jr and Sr or High Youth will be rehearing a stage adaptation of that audio on 11/24, 12/8, and 12/15.
- The performance will be on 12/15 at 5:00pm. We would love to have as many children participate as possible! For any questions or concerns, please see Paul Zehr or Christina Hofer.

Save the date! The Rainbow Christmas Program will be Sunday, Dec. 15 at 5:00 pm.

Thank you to everyone who donated and participated in our "Cross-Lines, Chiefs, and Chili" event in support of the Cross-Lines Christmas Store! We were able to raise over \$5,900 toward the \$12,000 that we spend each year on food for the Christmas store. We are still collecting food items in the Wesley Room, specifically peanut butter, canned tuna and pancake/biscuit mix, as well as financial donations to purchase items for the food section of the Cross-Lines Christmas Store. The Cross-Lines Christmas Store will run from December 9-14 and volunteer information for these dates will be coming soon.

Stewardship Updates:

- We finished the month of October with a year-to-date net loss of about \$14K, with contributions about \$4K ahead of budget. In order to break even for 2019, it is estimated that we will need \$96.5K in contributions in the final 7 weeks of the year, or about \$13.8K per Sunday beginning 11/17. Please keep church finances in mind as we head toward the end of our business year. Thank you.
- 2020 budget requests were sent out to committees recently. Please make sure that you go over your budget requirements in your November meetings. Requests will be due back to Stewardship Committee by December 1.

The Migrant Farmworkers Assistance Fund (MFAF) is holding a weekly food distribution for migrant and seasonal farmworkers who are here for the fall harvest season; distributing between 100-180 food bags a week. Consider donating the following items by bringing them to the church office where Hanna Hochstetler, former MVSer currently working for MFAF, can pick them up: Plastic bottles (not frozen) of orange juice or apple juice, Boxes of granola bars, Brown paper bags.

Small Groups have been reorganized for the next two years. If you missed the deadline and still want to be a part of a small group, please let one of the committee members know. Contact Peggy Coriell, Lee Ann Duncan, Pat Bertsche or Tanya Ortman.

Staff News

Mark Bartholomew will be out of the office November 22-December 1. Sarah Neher will be out of the office November 27- Dec 1. The church office will be closed for Thanksgiving November 28 & 29.

Youth News

This morning: 8:30 Junior High Breakfast and 11:00 Senior High Lunch

Sr high youth are invited to attend Snow Camp at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp February 14-16. The weekend will be full of singing, worshiping, tubing, boom hockey, and beautiful scenery around the camp. The youth will be responsible for a \$25 deposit (due Dec 1) and will need to provide money for two meals and a sack lunch. If the deposit is a barrier for a youth attending or you have questions please talk with Sarah Neher! For more details see https://rmmc.org/senior-high-snow-camp

November 10, 2019 Attendance 140 General Fund\$ 4,166.00 This Week Sunday Jr High Breakfast 8:30am Nov 17 Welcoming Brunch 10:50am Sr High Lunch 11:00am Sound System Meeting 11:45am Playground Committee Meeting 11:50am **Rainbow Strings** 3:00pm Staff Meeting 1:00pm Tuesday **Nov 19** 11:00am Wednesday Nov 20 Women's Luncheon (7936 Quivira Rd, Lenexa, KS) Choir Meal 6:15pm 6:45pm Choir Rehearsal **Thursday** Nov 21 **Church Council Meeting** 7:00pm **Next Week** Nov 24 Peace & Social Justice Meeting Sunday 11:45am Funeral for Bob Boehm 4:00pm Monday 5:30pm Nov 25 **SCR** Board Meeting Tuesday Nov 26 **Staff Meeting** 1:00pm Wednesday Choir Meal 6:15pm Nov 27 6:45pm Choir Rehearsal Thursday Church Office Closed – Thanksgiving

Fall Quarter Adult Education Class Options:

Nov 28

Nov 29

Friday

The Nickel Boys, a novel by Colson Whitehead

Church Office Closed – Thanksgiving

Facilitator: Dale Graham, Library

The View of Life: Completing the Darwinian Revolution, by David Sloan Wilson

Facilitators: Darrell Wiens and Phillip Rhoads, Sunflower Room

Thirty True Things Everyone Needs to Know Now, by Leroy Seat

Facilitators: Clif Hostetler and Leroy Seat, Room 111

Worship and Sermon Discussion

Rotating Facilitators, Wesley Room