RAINBOW MENNONITE CHURCH December 29, 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 Greeters are **John and Pat Bertsche.** 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. There are no assigned nursery workers this morning, but the nursery is open to parents who would like to be there with their kids.

Closing Trustee is Steven Cress.

Remembering in Prayer...

Please pray for Betty Bodine as she faces health concerns, especially in light of a recent fall at home.

Lia Uhlenhuth had jaw surgery on Friday, December 27th. Prayers are requested for a quick recovery.

This Morning at Rainbow

Worship 9:30am Poems and Carols

There are no assigned nursery workers to assist in the nursery this morning. Parents and their kids are still welcome to utilize the nursery.

Announcements

Attention committee chairs! Annual reports are due in the office by 9am on Monday, January 6. Please email your report to office@rainbowmennonite.org in doc format or within the body of the email.

Stewardship Update: As of 12/22/19, we are forecasting that we will require \$20.9K in contributions in the final week of the year to meet our 2019 commitment to fund all the missions of the church and break even for the year. The chart below illustrates our actual vs. needed giving during the 4th quarter. Please keep church finances in mind as we head toward the end of our business year. Thank you and Merry Christmas!



Historical note: In December 1969, Rainbow Boulevard Mennonite Church moved from its location on Rainbow Blvd to the Rosedale Methodist Building (our current location on Southwest Boulevard). This means we have been in our current location for exactly 50 years! Let us give thanks to God for all the people through the centuries who have been good stewards of this place. May we have another 50 years of stewarding, worshipping, learning, serving, and growing as disciples of Jesus!

Save the date! Our annual business meeting will be January 26, 2020.

Youth News

Sunday, Jan. 5th, Ice Skating at Crown Center, 6-8 pm Sunday, Jan. 12, Jr. High Winter Retreat, 12-7:30 pm Saturday, Jan. 18-19th, Senior High Winter Retreat, 9:30 am Sunday, Jan. 19th, Junior High Breakfast, 8:30 am Sunday, Jan. 26th, Soup Fundraiser, 8:30 am

Staff Updates

- Carrie Parsons will be out of the office December 30.
- Pastor Ruth is out of the office until January 2. Please contact Marsha Rhoads (913-526-4431), the deacon on call, if in need of pastoral care.
- Please note that hours will be limited on December 30, so please call ahead if you need to access the building on this day.
- The church office will close at noon on New Year's Eve and will be closed all day on New Year's Day.

December 22, 2019

Attendance	
Visitors (included in attendance count)	
General Fund	\$ 21,021.94
Other Donations	,
Total Offering	\$ 21,683.94

This Week

Monday	Dec 30	Church Office – Limited hours, please call ahead
Tuesday	Dec 31	New Year's Eve – Church Office closes at noon

Next Week

Sunday	Jan 5	Youth Group Ice Skating	6:00pm
Monday	Jan 6	Deacons' Meeting	5:45pm
Tuesday	Jan 7	Staff First Aid Training	9:00am
		Staff Meeting	1:00pm
		Worship Committee Meeting	7:00pm
Wednesday	Jan 8	Rainbow Quilters	9:00am
		Women's Luncheon	11:00am
		(7936 Quivira Rd, Lenexa, KS)	
		Choir Meal	6:15pm
		Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm
Thursday	Jan 9	Trustees' Meeting	7:00pm
		Peace and Social Justice Meeting	7:00pm