RAINBOW MENNONITE CHURCH January 19, 2014

Good Morning! 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.

Our ushers are **Dave and Hannah Schrag**; our greeters are **Janelle and Larissa Schrag**. Please ask any of them if you need assistance with seating, would like to use a large-print hymnal, or if have questions about the location of Sunday School rooms or the restrooms.

The nursery is located on the second floor of the education wing. It is provided during church and Sunday school for children three years of age and younger. Today's nursery workers are **Dan and LeeAnn Duncan and Katelyn Huxman**.

Closing Trustee: John Mueller

Attention parents of K-5th graders: Mark your calendars for the first annual Rainbow kids night out! Ruth and Jesse, along with the Mennonite Voluntary Service workers, will be hosting a music, art and game night for K-5th graders on Friday, January 31, from 5- 9 p.m. There will be art lessons, singing, obstacles courses, pizza, and more. More information will be given as the date draws closer.

An annual business meeting of the Rainbow Mennonite Church congregation will be held at 11:45 a.m. on January 26, 2014, in the Fellowship Hall. Paper copies of the annual report are available this morning, as well as an electronic version at <u>www.rainbowmennonite.org</u>, in the members/friends section of the website, under "documents." Please contact the office if you need the login information. The meeting agenda includes the following items:

- Approval of minutes from October 2013 quarterly meeting
- Approval of slate for 2014 elected positions
- Treasurer's report on 2013 budget
- Approval of 2014 budget

- Update on the hire of a Youth Ministers Director
- Acceptance of Committee reports, including an update from Sharing Communities of Rosedale committee
- Further discussion on Pocket Park/Bus stop/orchard

There will be no noon meal.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22 THE RMC COFFEEHOUSE - FEATURING THE BAND "BOOK OF JEBB" which includes versatile string player Jesse Graber as one of the band members! A free will offering will be accepted for the upcoming RMC mission trip to Columbia in June. Contact Rosi Penner Kaufman 816-797-2872 or Claire Zehner 913-302-6193 for details.

The **Youth Mentoring Program** would like to invite current 5th grade through 12th grade youth to consider participating in our mentoring program. This program allows young people to connect with another adult friend at church. New youth participants together with their parents will create a list of candidates to be a possible personal mentor. Then the committee will match mentees with one of the mentor candidates. If you are approached to serve as a mentor please consider this opportunity seriously as a way of serving our youth and nurturing others at Rainbow Mennonite Church. Please contact Jan Good-Bollinger with questions.

Staff Updates

The office will be closed on Monday in observance of Martin Luther King Jr Day.

January 12 Attendance Visitors (included in attendance count)			182 7
This Week			
Wednesday	January 22	Choir Rehearsal (dinner at 6:15)	6:45 pm
Thursday	January 23	Church Council Meeting	7:00 pm
Sunday	January 26	Congregational Meeting	11:45 am
Next Week	·		
Wednesday	January 29	Choir Rehearsal (dinner at 6:15)	6:45 pm
*The complete church calendar is available at www.rainbowmennonite.org			

Winter Adult Education Classes

Growing Older.....Wesley Room This class focuses on the many diverse aspects of aging in our society. Topics such as wisdom for retirement, the encore chapter, supporting aging parents, the medicalization of dying and other themes will be discussed.

Historical Jesus.....**Sunflower Room** This class is a discussion of the book *Historical Jesus: What Can We Know and How Can We Know It* by Jeff Anthony Le Donne. The book asks two primary questions: What does "historical" mean? How should we apply this to Jesus? And these questions will be used to facilitate a discussion to help better understand who Jesus was and how we can know what we do know about him.

The Wired Word.....Library This modern Bible study uses headlines to illustrate each week's adult lesson. Each Thursday, lessons are emailed to the facilitators with the scriptural texts and questions for discussion. Lesson materials will be emailed each week.