

# RAINBOW MENNONITE CHURCH

June 26, 2016

**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 **John Mueller and Mary Redmon**. Our greeters are **Sammy Stayton and George Melby**. 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 the restrooms. The nursery is located on the second floor of the education wing. Today's nursery workers are **Melissa Funk, Amy Kliewer, and Madeline Bollinger**.

Closing Trustee: **Mitch Kaufman**

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*Two Sunday school options this Sunday*

- **Adult Education: Trauma, grace, and building resilience**  
Trauma, grace, and building resilience: In the last 20 years, more and more studies have demonstrated that exposure to traumatic incidents have negative effect on the brain that can cause lifelong (health and mental health) challenges for individuals, communities, and cultures. Research has also shown that people and communities affected by trauma can build resilience. We will draw from a book by Serene Jones called "Trauma and Grace," which you can review [here](#). This week Emma Janzen will lead a discussion about the effects of trauma on the brain. And for those who still have it, please bring the ACES quiz handed out last Sunday.
- **For all ages:** Garden exploration with hands on experiences. Meet LeeAnn Duncan and Ryne Preheim in the WorshipArts room (114) to walk outside together during the Sunday School hour.

**Next Sunday** during the Sunday School hour, we will have an opportunity to hear about recent Rainbow trips to Montana and Guatemala. Please plan to attend!

All are invited to join area Muslims in breaking Ramadan fast at Rainbow on **Friday, July 1 at 8 pm**. The Dialogue Institute, a Muslim organization supporting democracy, toleration, and interfaith dialogue, will host this meal at Rainbow free of charge. This is an opportunity to enjoy a delicious meal while learning more about Islam and Ramadan. Email [office@rainbowmennonite.org](mailto:office@rainbowmennonite.org) to RSVP.

Structured **After School Care** for Freedom School scholars occurs everyday from 3-5:00 pm. Rebecca, the After School Coordinator, together with student intern Ryne Preheim, are working hard to make this a good experience for scholars and volunteers. Please consider joining the fun either for one day this summer or once a week (or more)! If you are interested in helping, please email Peter and Rebecca.

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Let's all make a difference during this 10th year of Rainbow Freedom School!

Mark your calendars for these events coming up at Rainbow!

- **Sunday, July 24:** Congregational meeting
- **Saturday, September 3:** Rainbow will host Ted and Company, a professional drama group from Harrisonburg, Virginia, that uses humor and storytelling to talk about issues of faith and social justice. September is suicide awareness month, and with the support of the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill Faithnet, they are traveling across the US presenting the show Laughter is Sacred Space. From the Ted and Company website: "In this gritty and dramatic show, Ted Swartz walks you through his relationship with friend and business partner, Lee Eshleman, who took his own life in 2007. Ted explores the paradox of working with a comedic partner struggling with bipolar disorder, as well as the challenge of writing and performing stories about God while experiencing the absence of God after Lee's death."
- **Sunday, September 4:** Ted Schwartz will be speaking in the service and will lead an adult Sunday School class.
- **Saturday September 24th and Sunday September 25th:** An outdoor focused Rainbow church retreat will take place at a local Kansas City retreat center. This retreat is inspired by the grant Rainbow received this year that will focus on observing the outdoors in more intentional ways. Everyone is invited to come for the day or stay overnight in the retreat center cabins. More info coming soon!

**Thank you** to those who have donated the money applied to the sound system upgrades and replacement parts for broken items. We have just the right amount to finish this project. It will take 4 to 6 weeks to get it installed. ~Terry Rouse and Gary Kaufman

**Help is needed in the nursery!** We are looking for more volunteers to serve one Sunday a quarter by playing with kids in the nursery. If you are available, please contact Cynthia Kaufman ([COKYassoc@gmail.com](mailto:COKYassoc@gmail.com)).

**Western District Annual Assembly** will take place July 29-30 on the Bethel College campus in North Newton, KS. Information is posted at: <http://mennowdc.org/annual-assembly/#2016annualAssembly>. Rainbow is eligible to send nine delegates. Contact Peggy Coriell ([pccorriell@kc.rr.com](mailto:pccorriell@kc.rr.com)) if you are interested.

### *Community News*

Join us this spring at **Rosedale Farmers Market!** Located at 4020 Southwest Blvd in the Commerce Bank parking lot, we are open every Sunday from 10-2 through the end of September. We offer a great selection of fresh, local and affordable fruits, vegetables, baked goods, herbs, eggs, and honey.

A small group is forming to periodically prepare, serve, and share a Thursday evening meal with the Cherith Brook community in northeast Kansas City. A few volunteers are needed to help prepare a main dish ahead of time for about 50 people on August 11, and a few more are needed to help serve and share the meal from 5:00 - 7:30 PM. Cherith Brook is an urban homestead and residential Christian community committed to sustainability, downward mobility, and sharing resources and table fellowship with strangers and neighbors along with their house guests and covenanting members; their example is inspired by the early church and the Catholic Worker movement. (Visit [cherithbrookcw.blogspot.com](http://cherithbrookcw.blogspot.com) for more information.) If you'd like more information about how you can help prepare and/or serve the meal, please contact Kimberly at [\(559\) 289-2716](tel:5592892716) or [KimberlyLHunter@gmail.com](mailto:KimberlyLHunter@gmail.com).

**June 19**

Attendance.....	141
Visitors (included in attendance count) .....	15

**This Week**

Tuesday	June 28	Freedom School Parent Meeting	6:00 pm
Wednesday	June 29	Deacons Meeting	7:00 pm
Friday	July 1	Ramadan Meal	8:00 pm

**Next Week**

Sunday	July 3	Sporting KC Concession Volunteering	2:00 pm
Monday	July 4	Office Closed	All Day
Tuesday	July 5	Worship Committee Meeting	7:00 pm
Wednesday	July 6	Women's Luncheon	11:00 am
Saturday	July 9	AGO Steering Committee Meeting	9:00 am