

RAINBOW MENNONITE CHURCH

June 25, 2017

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. After the worship service, the Welcome Committee invites you to the designated Welcome Table in the Fellowship Hall (lower level) to connect with other attendees.

Today's greeters are **Jerry Jantz and Dan Duncan**. Ushers are **Melissa Funk and Laura Schmidt**. Please ask any of 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. Our nursery workers today are **Nick Schroeder, Melissa Funk and Emma Campbell**.

Closing Trustee: **Annie Jones**

Storytelling and reflections about retirement and/or about anticipating

retirement. This morning for adult Sunday school class we're going to meet in the sanctuary to talk about retirement and/or what it means to leave your primary career. Please bring your various thoughts and experiences about this major life transition.

Questions to consider:

- **For those who are anticipating retirement or leaving their primary career:** What are your greatest questions and concerns?
- **For those who are retired or who have left their primary career:** Looking back, what do you wish you would have known before you retired? What is most satisfying about this time in life? What is most challenging about this time in life?
- **For All:** What has work meant to you, what positives do you want to keep, and how will you keep them when you retire? What do you think makes for successful aging?

Plan to stay for the joint, intergenerational education hour (10:50-11:45 am) over the summer! Here is what is scheduled for the next three Sundays:

- July 2: Informational session regarding the “Peace in Israel and Palestine: A resolution for Mennonite Church USA.”
- July 9: Conscientious Objection during WW1 wit Andrew Bolton and Ruth Harder
- July 16: Sharing from the MCUSA Convention

String Band Music – Just for the Fun of It: The sounds of fiddle, banjo, guitar and mandolin, will once again be heard at Rainbow. On June 27 from 7:00 – 9:00pm the Quasi Brothers will host a time for tunes and songs. All are welcome. Bring your friends and neighbors. We play homemade music suitable for front porches, living rooms, auditoriums, sanctuaries and other places people gather. We try to play nice! To learn more about this event, Contact Steve Goeke at 816-718-9010 or email thequasibrothers@gmail.com

Children ages 3 to 11 years old: save the date for Rainbow's one day Vacation Bible School on Saturday, July 29th from 9:30am-2pm. The theme this year is *Women of the Bible*. Come for the stories, music, and snack! Please RSVP to Renee at reneer@rainbowmennonite.org

The Youth Education Committee is looking for volunteers to help with Vacation Bible School on July 29th. Help is needed to stay with each age level, lead crafts, lead recreation, and help with snack and check in. Please email Renee at reneer@rainbowmennonite.org if you are interested in helping!

Rainbow Summer Program could use your help this summer! Here are some ways you can help out:

- Help place pre-prepared food on trays and serve to the scholars for either breakfast or lunch
- Teach an activity to aftercare scholars
- Be a read aloud guest in the morning
- Come and read to a scholar in the classroom

If you are interested in helping out in any of these ways, please contact Ashton at sharinginrosedale@gmail.com

This summer we invite everyone to participate in the "Where is Menno now?" challenge. Pick up your very own "I'm a Menno Simons fan" today (by east door) and take it with you on your summer adventures (locally or outside of KC). Be sure to snap a picture of yourself with Menno and email it to the church office or post it to the Rainbow facebook page. These fans were originally made for a Sharing Community in Rosedale fundraiser. Therefore it would please Menno a great deal if you made a small donation to SCR in his honor.

The Rainbow Quilters are having such a productive time making comforter tops for Mennonite Central Committee that they are running out of fabric! If you have any new cotton fabric, patterned or plain, we would gratefully add it in our project of making tops for refugees and others in need! Contact Marsha Rhoads or Phyllis Carlson

Staff News

Renee Reimer will be Camp Pastor at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp June 25-July 1st.

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Mennonite Disaster Service Opportunities in Kansas

Ashland, KS – 2017 Wildfires

- We are working on removing barbed wire fencing that was damaged. Volunteers are needed to remove clips and staples from the posts, and then pick up the posts off the ground and load them onto utility vehicles. Many hands are needed and no prior experience is required. Lodging & meals are being provided at the Hardesty House in Ashland.
- Individuals or groups can volunteer for 1-5 days at a time Monday to Friday. We are looking for groups to fill the weeks of June 26, July 3 and July 10.

Eureka, KS – 2016 Tornado

- We are working on several repair jobs which include roofing, and replacing flooring & drywall. We will also be building one new house starting in the next several weeks!
- Individuals or groups can volunteer on Saturdays. Transportation, lunch, tools and a skilled crew leader will all be provided. We will be working 7/1 and 7/8 for starters.

Towels & Cloth Diapers Needed! The Mennonite Central Committee Material Resources Center in North Newton, Kansas is currently running very low on towels for MCC relief kits and hygiene kits. Dark colored bath towels, dark colored hand towels and cloth diapers for infant care kits (flat fold preferred) are needed at this time. Donations can be brought to 121 E. 30th in North Newton, or you can purchase items from [Amazon Smile](https://www.amazon.com) or elsewhere online and have them shipped directly to MCC. Please contact Kate Mast with questions, katemast@mcc.org, 316.283.2720.

Community News

Cross-Lines Food Pantry: We simply cannot keep our shelves filled despite donations of food. We have also already spent our entire annual food budget for the Food Pantry. You can help by donating funding to purchase fresh fruit, meat and other items or by donating shelf stable healthy food such as canned chicken, jelly, peanut butter, non-sugary cereals and low-sodium and whole grain items. We appreciate your gift to our Food Pantry and EVERY DOLLAR will go for the purchase of food for our Food Pantry. Your gift will allow families to have fresh food including ground beef or turkey, eggs, fresh fruit and vegetables and more. For more information about Cross-Lines or our Food Pantry, please visit our website at www.cross-lines.org.

June 18

Attendance..... 134
 Visitors (included in attendance count) 2

This Week

Monday	June 26	Deacon’s Meeting	5:30pm
		SCR Board Meeting	6:30pm
Tuesday	June 27	Staff Meeting	1:30pm
		Summer Program Parent Meeting	6:00pm
		Tuesday Tunes	7:00pm

Next Week

Tuesday	July 4	Office Closed for Holiday	
Wednesday	July 5	Women’s Luncheon	11:00am