

RAINBOW MENNONITE CHURCH

January 28, 2017

Welcome to our service of worship. 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 ushers are **Jonathan Bollinger and Andy Toews**. Greeters are **Leah and Greg Schwarz**. 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 **Kendric Beachey, Janelle Schrag and Hannah Schrag**

Closing Trustee: **Robert Kaufman**

Remembering in Prayer...

- ❖ Leo Goertz as he receives hospital care at Shawnee Mission Medical Center

- ❖ Pat Bertsche as she recovers from blocked ostomy surgery at Shawnee Mission Medical Center. She also had a cast put on her broken wrist. Pat is feeling better and welcomes visitors at this time.

- ❖ Linda Emory, who was recently moved to Villa St. Francis Catholic Care Center in Olathe, KS while she recovers from leg amputation surgery.

- ❖ Betty Bodine and Joe Duerksen who are now receiving care at Benton House of Lenexa.

Present on Earth: The Lord's Prayer...

Our current worship series is called "Present on earth," based on The Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6:9-13 and Luke 11:2-4). Historically this prayer has been an important lens through which to see and understand Jesus. It is, as some argue, a hymn of hope and revolutionary manifesto for all humanity as it cries out for justice, bread, forgiveness and deliverance.

This Morning at Rainbow

Safe Sanctuary Training in the sanctuary at 10:50am

- Required annually for all council members, deacons and volunteers working with children and youth
- If you completed training in the Fall 2017, you are not required to attend

Congregational Potluck at 11:30am

- Sunday School Teachers: Please plan to finish your classes early so attendees can make it to the potluck in a timely manner

Annual Business Meeting at 12:15pm

- Please find a digital copy of the 2017 Annual Report on the church website under the congregational login or in see link sent via email this past Friday
- Paper copies of the 2017 Annual Report will be provided at the meeting (please bring yours if you already picked one up)

Visit with Bethel College representative, Andrew Schmidt

- Available to alumni during fellowship time and Sunday School hour
- Lunch with Sr High youth and during the annual meeting

Announcements

From now until April 8th the children and youth Sunday School offertoring will be designated to Mennonite Central Committee's *My Coins Count* project. The Sr High youth will then take all the coins we collected to the MCC Sale on April 13-14. Each Sunday School class has a 5 gallon water bucket...let's see who can fill their bucket! There is also a 5 gallon bucket in the fellowship hall for those of us that may not be in a children or youth Sunday School class but would still like *our* coins to count! Here's one story about how MCC uses our coins to make a difference around the world with clean water, sustainable food, or accessible education:

"Arriving by horse or camel, hundreds of people from the surrounding area flock to Teriturenne, a village in central Chad, to celebrate a new well MCC helped to build. In this remote camel-herding region, many people speak Dazaga, a local language, instead of the French used in government schools in Chad. Since 2015, MCC has supported the first school in the area that gives children the chance to have classes in Dazaga. Because of the new well, which has four access points, girls can spend less time waiting in line for water and are less likely to be late for school."

Our church will be assisting Trinity Community Church in serving lunch at the Willa Gill Food Kitchen, 645 Nebraska, on Friday, February 2, from 10:30 am to 1:00pm. Please sign up in Fellowship Hall during coffee time this morning or contact Nancy Bouché.

Help Rainbow send some love and support to our 6 college students with a **Rainbow college care package!** The faith formation board will be collecting healthy snacks, fun gadgets, or notes of support from **February 4th to February 11th**. Items will be collected in individual boxes in the fellowship hall during these 2 Sundays.

Homemade is a nice treat, but anything is welcome! Please note there is one vegan and one vegetarian in the group.

Youth Updates

Jr High and Sr High youth group on February 4th will be held at the Penner/Kaufman home for a Super Bowl, game night, and food adventure. There will be chips, ground beef, and beans available to eat. Please bring an additional nacho bar topping to make the meal a bit more interesting! The game begins at 5:30pm and will end when somebody wins.

Community Event

Poor People's Campaign 101: Come learn how to get involved with this new national organizing effort to fulfill Dr. King's vision to eradicate the "triple evils" of racism, economic exploitation, and militarism. Join this multiracial organizing effort for a Poor People's Campaign 101 event on Mon. Jan 29, 7pm-8pm, at Westport Presbyterian. RSVP at bit.ly/ppc101kc or email Ben Parker Sutter.

Mennonite News

Two Everence representatives, Mitch Stutzman and Hayden Goerzen, will be joining us on **Sunday February 11th** to provide information about Everence products and services during coffee time and Sunday School. Please contact Janelle Campbell with any questions.

Everence is offering a special opportunity for individuals who plan to attend college in the fall. Full time students who have a relationship with Everence are eligible to apply for Everence college scholarships. **Scholarship applications will be accepted now through February 28, 2018.** You can find a scholarship application form along with more information about our scholarship and grant programs on our website.

Raise the Roof in Song: Hymn Sing and Fundraiser for Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) on Sunday, February 18, 4 pm (doors open at 3:30 pm to view auction items) at Southern Hills Mennonite Church. Join us in a fun way to raise funds for MDS.

January 21

Attendance.....	175
Visitors (included in attendance count)	17
General Fund (Jan 14 and Jan 21 Combined).....	\$ 9043.55
Other Donations (Jan 14 and Jan 21 Combined)	\$ 219.01
Total Offering (Jan 14 and Jan 21 Combined)	\$ 9262.56

This Week

Sunday	Jan 28	Safe Sanctuary Training	10:50am
		Congregational Potluck	11:30am
		Congregational Annual Business Meeting	12:15pm
		Catechism Class	6:00pm
Tuesday	Jan 30	Staff Meeting	1:30pm
Wednesday	Jan 31	Women's Luncheon	11:00am
		Choir Dinner	6:15pm
		Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm

Next Week

Sunday	Feb 4	Youth Group	5:00pm
Tuesday	Feb 6	Staff Meeting	1:30pm
		Worship Committee Meeting	7:00pm
Thursday	Feb 8	Trustees Meeting	7:00pm

Adult Education Options

God's Country: Faith, Hope, and the Future of the Rural Church by Bradley Roth
Facilitator: Eric Jantzen Library

Girls & Sex: Navigating the Complicated New Landscape by Peggy Orenstein
Facilitators: Kenn Goertz and Sallie Page Goertz Sunflower Room

The Good Book: Reading the Bible with Mind and Heart by Peter J. Gomes
Facilitators: Bill Gourley and Pastor Ruth Harder Wesley Room

Not Meeting Today: *The Flight of Peter Fromm* by Martin Gardner
Facilitator: Clif Hostetler Room 111