

RAINBOW MENNONITE CHURCH

April 8, 2018

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 and greeters are **Ken, Carrie, Eva and Owyn Parsons**. 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, for ages 0-4, is located on the second floor of the education wing. Our nursery workers today are **Allison Unruh, Fischer Unruh and Janelle Schrag**.

Closing Trustee: **Eric Jantzen**

Remembering in Prayer...

Hal Boyts' life was honored during a Celebration of Life service at Rainbow this past Wednesday. Please pray for Hal's adult children, Michelle, Mike and Rick, as well as Hal's grandchildren here in Kansas City, Claire and Nick Boyts and their mother, Catherine Boyts.

Please continue to pray for Laura Schmidt who is recovering from two breaks in her leg. Tomorrow Laura is moving to Benton House of Staley Hills, 11071 N. Woodland Ave. Kansas City, MO 64155

This Morning at Rainbow

Today there will be a **mentor/mentee lunch** at noon in the fellowship hall. New mentor/mentee pairs will be introduced and lunch will be provided.

Today we are singing *Guide my Feet* as the closing hymn in honor of the 10 runners from Rainbow who are traversing 50-ish miles of roads and trails today in a relay race from downtown Kansas City, Missouri to Lawrence, Kansas. This run benefits the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Those participating include Christian Buller, Stan Buller, Jeff Shelly, Ruth Harder, Kendric Beachey, Emily Wiebe, Jonathan Bollinger, Maggie Goble and Dave Schrag.

Announcements

For those who utilize the nursery, we are happy you are here! If you take your little ones to get donuts after church, please communicate with the volunteers if you are planning to bring them back up for the Sunday School hour.

The church office is collecting up-to-date **photos for the new church directory!**

Options for submitting your photos are as follows:

- Email a photo to office@rainbowmennonite.org (saved as a jpeg) OR
- During Fellowship Time on Sundays, April 8, 15, 22:
 - Have a new photo taken by a volunteer photographer OR
 - Review and approve a printout of a photo the church already has on hand

Mennonite Disaster Service Trip, April 8–14: The following group is doing some home construction in Victoria, Texas this week: Dave Becker, Dan Duncan, Eugene Kaufman, Mitch Kaufman, Robert Kaufman, John Schmidt, Mark Unruh, Scott Weast, and Todd Zehner. Please hold this trip and their efforts in your prayers.

On Thursday, April 12, at 7:00pm, the Rainbow Performing Arts Committee will host the **Kansas City, Kansas Public Schools Harp Ensemble**. Fourteen student harpists, lead by Eisenhower Middle School teacher Aimee DeSotel, will perform on harps owned by the KCK School District. There are only twenty-plus harp ensembles in public schools in the entire USA! Roseanne Gortenburg, a professional harpist from Bonner Springs, will also perform for us. This will be a great opportunity to connect with our community and become more informed about our school district.

Kids in grades Kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to **Rainbow's Kids Night Out** on Saturday, April 21 from 5-8pm. Plan to bring a sack supper and lots of energy for an evening full of fun with Renee, Leah, and Greg! Please RSVP to Renee at renee@rainbowmennonite.org by April 18th if you plan to attend.

The youth group is hosting the first ever ***Rainbows on the Run 5K run/walk*** on **Saturday, April 28th beginning at 9:00am**. Enjoy running or walking with friends and family while getting to know the church neighborhood together. There will also be **PRIZES!** See midweek email for a link to register or contact the church office.

Save the date for our next **congregational meeting, Sunday, April 29**. Potluck will begin at 11:30am with meeting to follow.

Youth Updates

The April Jr High breakfast is schedule for next Sunday, April 15th beginning at 8:30am. We will be meeting upstairs in the jr high room for food and fellowship.

Sr High lunch discussion will be held on Sunday, April 15th from 11am-12:30pm. This month as a youth group we will be showering Joshua and Tina with children's books for their upcoming baby. Bring your favorite children's book to help Joshua and Tina start their new chapter together (see what I did there?!).

Rainbow Summer Program News

- **Hiring Summer Interns:** Interns serve in the classrooms during the program and are paid a stipend of \$2,800 for the summer. For more information on how to apply, please see the Rainbow website under the serve tab.
- **Hiring Aftercare Coordinator:** This position is responsible for 20-25 scholars from 3:00-5:30 pm M-F, coordinating activities and working with volunteers. If interested, please send cover letter and resume to sharinginrosedale@gmail.com.

Camp Mennoscah Camps and Retreats

Our local Mennonite camp, **Camp Mennoscah**, is accepting registrations for summer camps. Register at campmennoscah.org. If you or someone you know is in need of a scholarship, please contact Deacon Chair, Amy Kliewer or Pastor Ruth (ruthh@rainbowmennonite.org).

Men and Boys Retreat at Camp Mennoscah April 20-22: A guys-only weekend for fishing, canoeing, worshipping, sitting by the fire, or visiting with friends in fellowship. Questions or carpooling arrangements, contact Eric Jantzen 913-596-0903.

Community Events

The Poor People's Campaign: A National Call for Moral Revival is organizing state-by-state to unite people across the U.S. to challenge the evils of systemic racism, poverty, war & Creation degradation.

- **To get involved in KCMO**, contact Ben at BenParkerSutter@gmail.com. We're starting to look forward to possible civil disobedience actions in the coming months. Contact Ben if this is something that interests you!
- **To get involved in KCK**, contact Kimberly at Kimberly@Rosedale.org. Mark your calendars for the Truth Train set for Saturday afternoon, April 28.

All-Rosedale Cleanup, Saturday, April 28, 8am-1pm: RDA is seeking cleanup teams to meet at Fisher Park for orientation at 8am. Gloves, water, snacks, and trash bags will be provided, and afterwards everyone is invited to a celebratory cookout in Fisher Park. The team with the most participants wins a park party. To register, contact Kimberly at kimberly@rosedale.org.

April 1, 2018

Attendance.....	256
Visitors (included in attendance count)	30
General Fund	\$ 14,442.00
Other Donations	\$ 651.42
Total Offering	\$ 15,093.42

This Week

Sunday	April 8	Mentor Lunch	12:00pm
Monday	April 9	Deacons' Meeting	5:30pm
Tuesday	April 10	Staff Meeting	1:30pm
Wednesday	April 11	Women's Luncheon	11:00am
		Choir Meal	6:15pm
		Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm
Thursday	April 12	KCK Harp Ensemble	7:00pm
Friday	April 13	Sr High to MCC Sale	

Next Week

Sunday	April 15	Jr High Breakfast	7:30am
		Sr High Lunch Discussion	11:00am
		Playground Committee Meeting	11:50am
		Remembrance Garden Committee Meeting	11:50am
		Faith Formation Board Meeting	12:00pm
Monday	April 15	Rainbow Guest House Meeting	7:00pm
Tuesday	April 16	Staff Meeting	1:30pm
Wednesday	April 17	Choir Meal	6:15pm
		Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm

Adult Education Options

The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Color Blindness by Michelle Alexander
Facilitator: James Rexford Room 111

Reading the Gospel of Luke as Mennonites Today

Facilitator: Leroy Seat and Ruth Harder Wesley Room

Everything Happens for a Reason, and Other Lies I've Loved by Kate Bowler

Facilitators Dale Graham and Ed Neufeld Sunflower Room