

RAINBOW MENNONITE CHURCH

April 15, 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 are **David Becker and David Bluford**. Greeters are **Dick and Brenda Tatro**. 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 children birth - four, is located on the second floor of the education wing. Our nursery workers today are **Kendric Beachey, Liz Stamper and Abigail Gritman**.

Closing Trustee: **Clif Hostetler**

Remembering in Prayer...

Please continue to pray for Laura Schmidt who is recovering from two breaks in her leg at Benton House of Staley Hills.

Congratulations to David and Leah Faye Gaeddert on the the birth of their son, Henry David Gaeddert, born April 6, 2018! Terri and Greg Gaeddert are the proud grandparents of Henry.

This Morning at Rainbow

Need a new photo for our church pictorial directory? Come down to the fellowship hall after worship during this morning (or next week) to have your picture taken! While you are there, take a look at a draft directory to make sure all of your information is entered correctly. If you already have a photo you wish to be included, please email it to office@rainbowmennonitechurch.org, saved as a jpeg.

Announcements

Thank you to everyone who helped collect a full 5 gallon bucket of coins for Mennonite Central Committee. We collected \$1029.82! The Sr High youth took them to the Kansas Mennonite Central Committee sale this weekend.

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.

There will be a gathering next Sunday, April 22, at 11:50 am in the Rainbow Remembrance Garden. We will install a brick in honor of Pablo Escareno, who died on December 12, 2017. All are welcome as we give thanks for this man who was an extraordinary neighbor to Rainbow and who was much appreciated by the Rosedale community.

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. A meal will be provided at 11:30am with a meeting to follow. The meal will be served as a fundraiser for Mennonite Disaster Service. Look for the agenda in the midweek email on Wednesday of this week! Printed copies of the agenda will be available next Sunday.

Staff Updates

Rainbow Mennonite Church is hiring! Personnel Committee, with support of Rainbow Church Council, is now searching for an Interim Youth and Outreach Ministries Director (June 2018-July 2019). You can find the job description and posting on the home page of our church website at www.rainbowmennonite.org. Or email Personnel Committee Chair, Nancy Grittman. Applications are due May 1.

Member Updates

Abigail Grittman and Joel Bollinger are in the cast of the musical Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat at Westridge Middle School. In celebrating 10 years of theatre at Westridge, Madeline Bollinger is also participating in a special alumni chorus. The performances are Friday, May 4 at 7:00pm, Saturday, May 5 at 2:00 & 7:00, and Sunday, May 6 at 2:00pm. Regular ticket reservations (\$5) will open to cast and crew on April 16 before opening to the public on April 23. Please email Nancy Grittman or Jan Good-Bollinger if you would like one of us to order tickets for you.

World's Window and owners Jan and Lonnie Buerge are in the midst of their annual "Flipping Favorites" clothing drive for Rose Brooks Center, a domestic violence program and shelter. Donations of clean, gently-used and new women's clothing are needed for women trying to make a new start free of abuse. Donations accepted through Monday, May 7th and then a big "Flipping Favorites" grand finale party with their \$10-per-hanger clothing shopping benefit for Rose Brooks. For more information, see <http://www.worldswindowkc.com/events>.

Camp Mennoscah Camps and Retreats

Camp Mennoscah is accepting registrations for summer camps. If you or someone you know is in need of a scholarship, please contact Deacon Chair, Amy Kliever 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.

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 Parker Sutter. We're starting to look forward to possible civil disobedience actions in the coming months.
- **To get involved in KCK**, contact Kimberly Hunter. 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 Hunter.

April 8, 2018

Attendance.....	139
Visitors (included in attendance count)	4
General Fund	\$ 3,711.72
Other Donations	\$ 224.00
Total Offering	\$ 3,935.72

This Week

Sunday	April 15	Jr High Breakfast	7:30am
		Sr High Lunch Discussion	11:00am
		Remembrance Garden Committee Meeting	11:50am
		Faith Formation Board Meeting	12:00pm
Tuesday	April 17	Staff Meeting	1:30pm
Wednesday	April 18	Choir Meal	6:15pm
		Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm
Saturday	April 21	Kids Night Out	5:00pm

Next Week

Sunday	April 22	Pablo Escareno Gathering	11:50am
		Playground Committee Meeting	12:10pm
Monday	April 23	SCR Board Meeting	6:30pm
Tuesday	April 24	Staff Meeting	1:30pm
Wednesday	April 25	Women's Luncheon	11:00am
		Choir Meal	6:15pm
		Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm
Thursday	April 26	MVS Support Board Meeting	5:30pm
		Church Council Meeting	7:00pm
Saturday	April 28	Rainbows on the Run 5K	9:00am

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