

RAINBOW MENNONITE CHURCH

June 24, 2018

Welcome to our worship service. We welcome everyone without regard to race, ethnic identity, gender, sexual orientation, age, and economic or other life circumstances. For information about our church or the Mennonite faith, literature is available in the east and west foyers outside the sanctuary.

We invite you to sign our friendship register when it is passed during the offering. Between the worship service and Sunday School, please consider joining us for coffee and doughnuts downstairs in the fellowship hall. Look for the Welcome Table!

Today's ushers are **David Becker and David Bluford**. Greeters are **Greg Schwarz and Dan Duncan**. 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 **Karla Leuenberg, Tara Lindahl and Joel Bollinger**.

Closing Trustee: **Steven Cress**

This Morning at Rainbow...

Summer Sunday School for all ages! Join us in the sanctuary as we spend the second hour listening to and analyzing songs of a variety of genres (hip hop, bluegrass, americana, rap, etc.) that have scriptural references planted in them, whether subtle or overt. We will consider a variety of musical artist's playful, whimsical, sometimes serious reflection on scripture. One of the songs we will consider today is called "You want it Darker" by Leonard Cohen. A drawing activity will be available for children whose parents wish to stay. Adults can always color too.

There will be no separate Sunday school for children and youth this summer, but all ages are invited to the education hour mentioned above.

Announcements

The blackberries in the Rainbow Orchard are ripening early! RDA, Giving Grove, and Artist S.E. Nash will be hosting a blackberry harvest party at 7:00pm on Wednesday, June 27. We will start at the Early Street garden a block North of the church on Early street and move down to the Rainbow Community Orchard at the corner of Southwest Blvd. and Mill Street. There will be ice cream to go along with the blackberries and samples of blackberry soda and fermented foods made from garden produce. All are welcome to attend. For questions contact Terry Rouse at trbikerkc@gmail.com.

Next Sunday, July 1, at 5:00pm the **Rainbow Performing Arts Committee is hosting an organ recital** by Christopher Marks. Dr. Marks is Associate Dean of the College of Fine Arts and Associate Professor of Music at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, as well as serving as Chair of the Board of Directors for the Organ Historical Society from 2015-2017. The OHS honored our Rainbow organ as "an instrument of exceptional historical merit" (you can see the framed citation in the music room) and Chris is a master at playing this type of instrument. This recital is happening the day before the national American Guild of Organists Convention that begins on July 2, in which 1,200 organists from around the world will descend on Kansas City to hear and play music. We are hoping some convention attendees will come early to hear Chris play right here at Rainbow. The recital is free and open to the public. Talk to Nancy Bosché or Rosi Penner Kaufman for more info.

Save the Dates!

- ◆ The Faith Formation Board and Personnel Committee will host **table talks** on the following Sunday mornings: July 15, 22, 29 and Aug 12, 19, 26 after worship. Please plan to attend one of these sessions to discuss and provide input for the future of the Youth and Outreach Director position here at Rainbow.
- ◆ **VBS!** Children who have completed grades K-5 are invited to participate in Vacation Bible School at Rainbow on Saturday, July 28. More information to come.
- ◆ Rainbow will be hosting "**A Symposium: The Ongoing White Supremacy of Our Everyday Lives**" on September 28 -30, 2018. Jalane Schmidt, associate professor of religious studies at the University of Virginia, Charlottesville, will be our keynote speaker. Look for more information coming soon.

If you would like a new church pictorial directory, they are available in the church office. Please consider a donation of \$5 to cover printing and production cost.

Staff Updates

Rainbow Mennonite Church is hiring! Personnel Committee, with support of Rainbow Church Council, is now searching for a Maintenance Coordinator to begin August 1. 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 (ngrittman@gmail.com). Applications are due July 6.

Carrie Parsons will be out of the office through Tuesday, June 26. Thank you to Kay Schmidt, LeeAnn Duncan and Will Compton for managing the church office while she is away!

Janelle Campbell will be out of the office beginning June 26 and returning July 2.

Community Events

The **Rosedale Farmers Market** is now open! The Market operates every Sunday from 10:00am – 2:00pm in the Commerce Bank parking lot at 4020 Rainbow Blvd across from KU Medical Center. It's a great place to purchase produce, starter plants, baked goods, chocolate, jams and jellies. Come see what's happening at the Market after church!

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

- Note: Kansas PPC continues to seek outright tax deductible donations to help defer expenses and to send busloads of people to the national demonstration to Washington, DC in mid-June. **Recently the Rainbow Peace and Justice Network decided to contribute \$300 toward this cause.** If you would like to help replenish the Rainbow Peace and Justice Network Fund or if you would like to contribute directly to the KS Poor People's Campaign, contact Sallie Page-Goertz or Pastor Ruth.

June 17, 2018

Attendance.....	116
Visitors (included in attendance count)	4
General Fund	\$ 9,758.00
Other Donations	\$ 2,470.69
Total Offering	\$ 12,228.69

This Week

Sunday	Jun 24	Welcoming Committee Meeting	11:40am
Tuesday	Jun 26	Staff Meeting	1:00pm
		Rainbow Summer Program Parent Meeting	6:00pm
Thursday	Jun 28	Organ Maintenance	9:00am
		Organ Recital Rehearsal	5:30pm
		Church Council Meeting	7:00pm
Friday	Jun 29	Organ Recital Rehearsal	9:00am
Saturday	Jun 30	Organ Recital Rehearsal	10:00am

Next Week

Sunday	Jul 1	Organ Recital Rehearsal	2:00pm
		Organ Recital	5:00pm
Tuesday	Jul 3	Staff Meeting	1:00pm
Wednesday	Jul 4	Church Office Closed	

In the Midst of New Dimensions

In the midst of new di-men-sions, in the face of chang-ing ways,
Through the flood of starv-ing peo-ple, war-ring fac-tions, and des-pair,
As we stand, a world di-vid-ed by our own self- seek-ing schemes,
We are man and we are wo-man, all per-sua-sions, old and young,
Should the threats of dire pre-dic-tions cause us to with-draw in pain,

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who will lead the pil-grim peo-ple wan-d'ring in their sep-arate ways?
who will lift the o-live branch-es? Who will light the flame of care?
grant that we, your glo-bal vil-lage, might en-vi-sion wid-er dreams.
each a gift in your cre-a-tion, each a love song to be sung.
may your blaz-ing phoe-nix spir-it res-ur-rect the church a-gain.

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God of rain-bow, fier-y pil-lar, lead-ing where the ea-gles soar,

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We your peo-ple ours the jour-ney now and ev-er more.