RAINBOW MENNONITE CHURCH September 30, 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 **Jonathan Bollinger and Andy Toews.** Greeters are **Melissa Funk and Peggy Coriell.** 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, Kelsey Allison and Jake Allison.**

Closing Trustee: Duane Krehbiel

Remembering in Prayer...

Please pray for Frank and Margaret Ward of North Newton, KS. Margaret called the church this week to share that Frank, who is receiving Hospice Care, is nearing death. Frank was Rainbow's pastor from 1975-1998. We will keep the congregation informed regarding funeral arrangements.

Please remember in prayer David Bluford as he returns home after receiving hospital care as a result of a serious infection.

Please pray for Bethel College (North Newton, KS) as it celebrates president Jonathan Gering's inauguration on Sunday, October 7. Bethel, a Mennonite liberal-arts college, has a long-standing partnership with Western District Conference, to which Rainbow belongs.

This Morning at Rainbow

- WorshipArts (K-5th Grade) 10:25am
- Children and Youth Sunday School 10:50 11:40am
- Adult Sunday School 10:50 11:40am

 Today we will gather in the sanctuary for a question and answer session with Dr.

 Jalane Schmidt. Regular Adult Education classes will resume next Sunday.

Consider Confront Change...A message from the Visual Arts Committee:

In designing the symposium logo and the banner for the front of our worship space, the 3 C's of Consider, Confront, and Change were central to our task ahead. The C on the left starts our dialogue of considering how white privilege is present every day in our lives. The C on the right turns to face our "considering" and asks us to really take a look at the truths of life for all peoples. The C of "change" lays on its back at the bottom and becomes the vessel, the oil lamp, to light the flames of change as we push ourselves and our world past our old understandings and to begin anew with different eyes and hearts. ~ Jan Buerge

Announcements

Rainbow is housing a traveling educational exhibit curated by Kauffman Musuem through October 11. This exhibit is called "**Sorting Out Race: Examining Racial Identity and Stereotypes in Thrift Store Donations**." It is free and open to the public weekdays 9am-4pm or by special appointment. Groups welcome. Please help spread the word.

- Special thanks to underwriters, Cross-Lines and Hoa Kim Vo Memorial Fund, whose contributions allowed us to host this exhibit.
- Please note that even with the help of underwriters, we have \$500 left to raise. If you would like to donate, please find donation envelopes near the exhibit entrance or simply mark your donation as "Exhibit" in this morning's offering.

FIDDLE, BANJO, GUITAR, MANDOLIN, HAMMERED DULCIMER, BASS? Tuesday, October 9 from 7-9pm, The Quasi Brothers will host an opportunity for tunes and songs in the sanctuary. All are welcome, invite your neighbors; there's no charge - just a time to share music in the "Old Time String Band" genre. Questions? Contact Jesse Graber or Steve Goeke.

Whitmore Playground:

- Please join the playground committee for a work day in the Whitmore Playground on Saturday, October 13th, from 8am to noon. The focus will be on general clean up, weeding, trimming bushes, etc., as well as replacing the wall around the sand digger. Hope to see you there!"
- The Whitmore playground committee is looking for a volunteer to re-shingle the picnic shelter roof in the playground. The shingles would be supplied. Please contact Darin Kaufman if interested.

Our fall congregational meeting will be Sunday, October 14 following a noon potluck.

If anyone is interested in joining a small group, please contact Peggy Coriell at pcoriell@kc.rr.com or 816-741-8278.

Youth Updates



Thank you to Christian Buller, Hanna Hochstetler, Ben Parker Sutter, Laura Schmidt, Natasha Vandyke, Ashton Wells, and Holly Wetzel, who assisted with the Junior and Senior High Retreats and Lock Ins the past two weekends. The retreats started with a street car scavenger hunt which ended at Betty Rae's Ice Cream in River Market.

October Youth Events Include:

Sunday October 7, 6-8pm, Youth Group for both Jr and Sr High Sunday October 14, 1-4:30pm, CROP Walk for both Jr and Sr High Sunday October 21, 8:30-9:30pm, Jr High Breakfast Sunday October 21, 11am-12:30pm, Sr High Lunch Saturday October 27, 2-5pm, RDA Healthy Halloween, Sr High (KU Med Center) Sunday October 28, 12-2pm, Youth / Mentor Lunch

Greater Mennonite Community Updates

Camp Mennoscah can exchange Best Choice UPC labels for cash through the Best Choice Save-a-Label program. Camp earns\$0.03 for each Best Choice UPC symbol redeemed! Here's all you need to do: *Cut out the "Best Choice" words and UPC symbol on Best Choice products. Put the labels in the marked envelope on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall OR in Janelle Campbell's mailbox.*

Everence: My cause, my card. The MyNeighbor credit card from faith-based Everence Federal Credit Union helps you live generously through your everyday purchases. When you use the card, Everence donates 1.5 percent of your bill to the charity or church of your choice. Learn more at **everence.com/MyNeighbor**.

Community Events

The Fair Trade Rugs are Coming to Ten Thousand Villages, 7947 Santa Fe Drive, Overland Park, KS 66204, October 4-8, 2018. Event Hours: Thu 10-9, Fri 10-6, Sat 9-5, Sun 12-4, Mon 10-6. All sizes with classic to contemporary designs, durable, pet friendly, fade resistant, exceptional handknotted heirloom quality. The purchase of one rug feeds a family for 1 year. Flyers are available on the Wesley Room table. Ask a Ten Thousand Villages board member for additional information: Clif Hostetler, Keith Yarwood and Jerry Jantz.

September 23, 2018

Attendance Visitors (included in attendance count) General Fund Other Donations \$ Total Offering				
				7,563.25
			This Week	
Tuesday	Oct 2	Staff Meeting	10:30am	
		Worship Committee Meeting	7:00pm	
Wednesday	Oct 3	Choir Meal	6:15pm	
		Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm	
Thursday	Oct 4	Church Council Meeting	7:00pm	
Next Week				
Sunday	Oct 7	World Communion Sunday		
		Jr and Sr High Youth Group	6:00pm	
Tuesday	Oct 9	Staff Meeting	10:30am	
		Tuesday Tunes	7:00pm	
Wednesday	Oct 10	Women's Luncheon	11:00am	
		Choir Meal	6:15pm	
		Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm	
Thursday	Oct 11	Trustees Meeting	7:00pm	
Saturday	Oct 13	Whitmore Playground Work Day	8:00am	

Rainbow Mennonite Church is the host congregation for Kansas City's Mennonite Voluntary Service (MVS) unit. Currently we have three volunteers living in the MVS house, serving with local nonprofits, while also plugging into the Rosedale neighborhood and Rainbow. These temporary volunteers are joined by an associate MVS resident and longer-term house residents/managers Kimberly Hunter and Je'Taime Taylor.

Sarah Tomas Morgan ~ Jewish Vocational services (sarah.tomasmorgan@gmail.com)
Hanna Hochstetler ~ Rainbow Mennonite Church (Sept-Oct) and Migrant Farmers Assistance Fund
(Nov-Aug) (hannakathleen.h@gmail.com)

Eba Goshu ~ Connecting for Good (elemes200@caledonian.ac.uk)
Paul Zehr, Associate ~ Where the Redfearn Grows Farm (paul.zehr74@gmail.com)