

RAINBOW MENNONITE CHURCH

October 21, 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 join us for coffee and donuts downstairs in the fellowship hall. Visitors and newcomers, please look for the Rainbow Connections Table!

Today's ushers are **Darin Kaufman and Kennedy Kaufman**. Greeters are **Bob and Phyllis Carlson**. 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 to age four, is located on the second floor of the education wing. Our nursery workers today are **Melissa Funk, Allison Unruh and Liberty Brigman**.

Closing Trustee: **Eric Jantzen**

Remembering in Prayer...

- We extend sympathy and care to those whose grandparents recently passed away, including Dave Richardson Spaite (grandmother Pollie) and Leah Schwarz (grandfather Gladwin).
- We congratulate and pray for Rainbow congregant, Erin Schroeder, and Sam Hathaway who were married at Rainbow yesterday.

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**
 - ◆ *Journey Forward*: Facilitated by Pastor Ruth Harder, meets in Sunflower Room
 - ◆ *America's Original Sin*: Facilitated by Clif Hostetler and members of the Symposium Planning Committee, meets in Wesley Room.

Announcements

Come support the Rainbow Summer Program by helping us tidy up the Rainbow Garden after worship today. We'll begin around 12 noon, followed by a potluck at the church.

The deadline to complete the anonymous symposium survey is October 24. Please find a link to the survey in recent midweek emails. ~ Rainbow Symposium Planning Committee

Please join the playground committee for a work day in the Whitmore Playground on Saturday, October 27th, 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!

Remembering Frank Ward, long-time pastor of Rainbow:

- **Sunday, November 4 from 11:45 am-noon:** All are invited to a Remembrance Garden Gathering to place an engraved brick in honor of Frank.
- **Monday, November 5 from 5:30-9 pm:** Frank's wife Margaret would like to invite everyone to a movie and meal night at Vox Theatre (across the street from Rainbow) in honor of what would have been Frank's 90th birthday. After supper we will watch *Coco*, the animated film about Día de Los Muertos. We ask everyone to RSVP (link in midweek email) so we know how much food to order.
- Frank's memorial service was held Saturday, October 13 at Faith Mennonite Church in Newton, KS. Memorials given in honor of Frank have been designated for the Rainbow Endowment Fund.

Cross-Lines Christmas Store allows 500 area families the opportunity to shop for Christmas. After paying a small dignity fee, families can select clothing, toys, household items, and food. Since the beginning of the Christmas Store in 1968, Rainbow Mennonite Church has been responsible for the food section of the store, while other churches are responsible for other items. The Christmas Store is located at 736 Shawnee, Kansas City, KS. Whether it's with your time or your funds, you can experience the joy of contributing to this great cause! Here are ways you can help:

- Volunteers are needed to sort items before the store opens and to staff the store while customers shop, from December 3-8. Sign up to volunteer by contacting Annie Jones or Keith Jantz
- Contribute containers of canned tuna, peanut butter or Bisquick. Please bring these items to Rainbow no later than November 18.
- Consider making a cash donation. Contribute online through Rainbow's website or make checks payable to Rainbow Mennonite Church, designated for "Cross-Lines Christmas Store"

The Outreach Committee would like to thank those who walked in the **CROP Walk** last Sunday and those who donated for the cause. The walkers were Madeline Bollinger, Eva and Owyn Parsons, Reese Pratt, Caleb Stoltzfus, Emily Gundy, Ashton Wells, and Terry Rouse. We have raised almost \$800 to date. You can still donate to TEAM Rainbow online at www.crophungerwalk.org/kansascitymo/Donate

Youth News

Today, 8:30am Jr High Breakfast and 11am-12:30pm Sr High Lunch
Saturday October 27, 2-5pm, RDA Healthy Halloween, Sr High
Sunday October 28, 12-2pm, Youth / Mentor Lunch

Staff News

Pastor Ruth will be out of the office October 22-24. The Deacon on call during this time will be Richard VanDyke.

Member News

Jimmy Griffin of Independence, MO is looking for someone who can drive him to and from Rainbow on Sunday mornings two times a month. If this is something that you are willing and able to do, please contact Jimmy directly or for more information, please contact a deacon.

A note from Nick Schroeder and Melissa Funk: *It is with great joy and excitement we announce the special day of our marriage! The ceremony will take place Saturday, December 1 here at Rainbow at 2:00 with a small reception to follow. If you would like to attend, please RSVP to Nick or Melissa by **Sunday, November 25.***

Community Events

Next Chapter Kansas City is offering a Senior Fraud Prevention Class Tuesday, October 23 6-7:30 pm at the West Wyandotte Library in Kansas City, KS. The presenter will be Sandra Olivas, Vice-President with the Bank of Labor. Contact Karen Hostetler for more information.

Greater Kansas City Peacebuilding Conference Oct 25-27

The conference, "Achievements in Peacebuilding: Stories from the Field" will be hosted by three area colleges and universities. The conference is free and open to the public. See midweek email for links to the program, schedule and registration.

World's Window is once again collecting women's and children's coats and sweaters for Rose Brooks Center, a domestic violence shelter. Needed are new and GENTLY-used, clean coats and sweaters. Donations can be dropped off at World's Window in Brookside. If you prefer to bring donations to the church, please let Jan or Lonnie Buerge know so they can coordinate pick-up. Donations will be accepted through November 8.

October 14, 2018

Attendance.....	148
Visitors (included in attendance count)	8
General Fund	\$ 4,731.00
Other Donations	\$ 1,798.00
Total Offering	\$ 6,529.00

This Week

Sunday	Oct 21	Jr High Breakfast	8:30am
		Gifts Discernment Fair	10:30am
		Sr High Lunch	11:00am
		Faith Formation Board Meeting	11:45am
		Playground Committee Meeting	11:45am
		Rainbow Garden Work Day and Potluck	12:00pm
Monday	Oct 22	SCR Board Meeting	6:30pm
Tuesday	Oct 23	Staff Meeting	10:30am
Wednesday	Oct 24	Women's Luncheon	11:00am
		Choir Meal	6:15pm
		Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm
Thursday	Oct 25	Church Council Meeting	7:00pm
Saturday	Oct 27	Whitmore Playground Work Day	8:00am
		RDA Healthy Halloween	2:00pm

Next Week

Sunday	Oct 28	Youth / Mentor Lunch	12:00pm
Tuesday	Oct 30	Staff Meeting	10:30am
Wednesday	Oct 31	Choir Meal	6:15pm
		Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm

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)

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