RAINBOW MENNONITE CHURCH February 10, 2018

Welcome to our worship service. We strive to 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!

This morning's ushers Jonathan Bollinger, Karen Uhlenhuth and Lia Uhlenhuth. Greeters are Bob and Phyllis Carlson. Please ask 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 is located on the second floor of the education wing and is available for children from birth to age 4. This morning's nursery workers are Brenda Tatro, Dick Tatro and Joel Bollinger.

The closing trustee is Steven Cress.

Remembering in Prayer...

After several weeks in hospice care, Terri Gaeddert's mother, Norma Preheim, died this past Sunday morning in Newton, KS.

This Morning at Rainbow

This morning the sermon will be offered by Sarah Tomas Morgan and Hanna Hochstetler, our Rainbow Mennonite Voluntary Service workers. Learn more about Sarah and Hanna on the next page.

- ➢ Worship 9:30am
- ➢ WorshipArts (K − 5th Grade) 10:25am
- Children & Youth Sunday School 10:50 11:40am (Jr high may join Sr high today)
- Adult Sunday School 10:50 11:40am
 - Historical Jesus by Bart Ehrman, Ph.D. Facilitator: Clif Hostetler, Room 111
 - Small Great Things by Jodi Picoult Facilitator: June Seat, Library
 - *Einstein's God Conversations About Science & the Human Spirit* by Krista Tippett Facilitator: Keith Jantz, Wesley Room
 - *The Righteous Mind: Why Good People Are Divided by Politics and Religion* by Jonathan Haidt Facilitator: Mike Hiebert, Sunflower Room



Sarah Tomas Morgan

Sarah moved from her hometown of South Bend, IN to Kansas City last August to begin her Mennonite Voluntary Service placement at Jewish Vocational Service. She works as Community Orientation Coordinator, teaching classes to newly arrived refugees to facilitate their transition into the community. She graduated from the University of Notre Dame with a degree in the Program of Liberal

Studies and concentration in Peace Studies. She hopes to combine this background with her perspectives gained from MVS to further study and work toward creating more welcoming and inclusive social networks and structures in the future.



Hanna Hochstetler

Last September, Hanna moved to Kansas City from Goshen, IN. She graduated from Goshen College last spring, majoring in Social Work. During her MVS year, Hanna is working at Migrant Farmworkers Assistance Fund (MFAF), as a Migrant Advocate and Youth Programs Coordinator where she organizes youth programs and works directly with clients in Lafayette County. Apart from her

service at MFAF, she enjoys working with the youth here at Rainbow and spending time with her housemates at the VS house. As the year continues, Hanna hopes to continue to improve her communication skills in Spanish and expand her knowledge on immigration issues here in Kansas City as well as on the systemic level.

Announcements

During Ruth's sabbatical, the Rainbow Deacons are taking turns being on call for pastoral care concerns. Marsha Rhoads is currently on call through today. Amy Kliewer will be on call Feb. 11 – Feb. 24.

MennoCon19: Online registration is now open for the Mennonite Church USA Convention, held in Kansas City from July 2-9 this summer. Register before Feb 20 to take advantage of lower registration prices. For more information, go to <u>https://convention.mennoniteusa.org/</u>. If you are interested in attending as a delegate, please contact the church office (office@rainbowmennonite.org).

Mennonite Disaster Service volunteers are needed from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm in Eureka, KS. We will be roofing and completing exterior repairs. Tools and lunch will be provided. Work days are scheduled for: February 22 & 23; March 1 & 2.

Looking for acts, or a variety skills, or a bit of talent for the **Variety Show Extravaganza** the youth group will be hosting on Sunday, March 3rd from 6-8pm. Youth will be providing desserts for all to enjoy. Please email Christian Buller if you are interested in participating in the Variety Show (open for all to participate).

The Bel Canto Singers of Hesston College will once again be visiting Rainbow Mennonite Church to present an evening of choral music on Sunday, May 19, at 7:00pm.We need to provide overnight lodging and breakfast for approximately 30 students and staff after the concert. Please consider hosting some of these musicians, and contact Nancy Bosché if you are available.

Sunday School Collection - Children's Sunday school classes are collecting coins for Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) over the next several weeks. Children will be learning about what MCC does with the donated money.

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Youth News and Events

Jr High Youth: KNOW JESUS is this weekend in Hesston, KS. Youth can be picked up on today at 2:30pm at the church. Sponsors Terry Rouse and Kimberly Hunter are hoping for an exciting time of fun, worship, and lots of sleep. Jr high youth Alex Jantzen, Stefan Mathies, Owyn Parsons, Joel Bollinger, and Thuy Uhlenhuth are looking forward to an exciting time of fun, worship, and no sleep. Please keep both the Jr high youth and their sponsors in your prayers as they experience this weekend retreat together.

Community Events

Next Chapter Booktalking: Join us on Tuesday, February 26 for the Next Chapter KC forum and be introduced to seven selections that range from a humorous but touching tale of caregiving for aging parents to a treaty on a more positive view of our world and societal condition. The forum will be held at the West Wyandotte Library, 1737 No. 82nd St, KCKS from 6 to 7:30 p.m. There is no charge. For more information about the books to be reviewed and to register contact Karen Hostetler. Next Chapter Kansas City is a program of Shepherd's Center of Kansas City, Kansas and partner agencies. Our church is a Sponsoring Congregation of Shepherd's Center of KCK.

February 3, 2019

Attendance	
Visitors (included in attendance count)	
General Fund	\$8,190.00
Other Donations	\$131.65
Total Offering	\$ 8,321.65
January 2019 Online Giving	\$2,487.56

This Week			
Sunday	Feb 10	Small Group Lunch in Fellowship Hall	12:00pm
		Jr High KNOW JESUS Retreat Pickup	2:30pm
Monday	Feb 11	Worship Committee Meeting	7:00pm
Tuesday	Feb 12	Staff Meeting	1:00pm
		Safety Team Meeting	6:30pm
Wednesday	Feb 13	Women's Lunch at Eggtc.	
		7182 Renner Rd., Shawnee	11:00am
		Choir Meal	6:15pm
		Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm
Thursday	Feb 14	Trustees Meeting	7:00pm
Next Week			
Sunday	Feb 17	Jr High Breakfast	8:30am
		Sr High Lunch	11:00am
		Playground Committee Meeting	11:45am
Tuesday	Feb 19	Staff Meeting	1:00pm

Rainbow Mennonite Church is the host congregation for Kansas City's Mennonite Voluntary Service (MVS) unit. Currently we have two 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 longer-term house residents/managers Kimberly Hunter and Je'Taime Taylor.

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