

# RAINBOW MENNONITE CHURCH

## February 17, 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 **Kent Moore and Jana Graham**. Greeters are **Melissa Schroeder and Becca Claassen**. 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 **Nick Schroeder, Heidi Braun and Liberty Brigman**. The closing trustee is **Clif Hostetler**.

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### Remembering in Prayer...

Please remember Terri Gaeddert and her family in prayer as Terri's mother, Norma Preheim, died on February 3. There will be a visitation with the family present on Friday, March 15, 5:00 to 7:30 pm at the Kidron Bethel Village Menno Hall. The memorial service for Norma will be Saturday, March 16, 3:30 pm at Bethel College Mennonite Church.

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### This Morning at Rainbow

- Worship 9:30am, our speaker this morning is Rabbi Moti Rieber
- WorshipArts (K – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade) 10:25am
- Children & Youth Sunday School 10:50 – 11:40am
- 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

## Announcements

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During Ruth's sabbatical, the Rainbow Deacons are taking turns being on call for pastoral care concerns. Amy Kliewer is currently on call through February 24.

The second gathering of the Rainbow Strings will be at 4:00p.m. this afternoon in the Wesley Room. Stringed instruments of all sorts and their players are welcome; ALL ages and skill levels are included. We will continue to meet the third Sunday of the month. See Rosi Penner Kaufman, Jonathon Wiebe or Steve Goeke for information.

Canceling the worship service because of icy weather last Sunday meant that we didn't get to hear our Voluntary Service workers,\* Hanna Hochstetler and Sarah Tomas Morgan, share wisdom from their volunteer placements. As they have both given a lot of thoughtful reflection to what they planned to share, we have reorganized the Sunday worship schedule so that we can hear Hanna and Sarah on March 17.

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).

**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.

## Youth News and Events

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Sunday, February 24: **Movie Night is postponed** until a date to be determined.

Sunday, March 3: **Variety Show Extravaganza** 5:30 – 8pm. If you would like to participate, please email Christian Buller.

Did you know Rainbow can help families who need assistance with fees for Camp Mennoscah or MCUSA Convention this summer? Please contact Deacon chair, Mike Peters (mcp@interactioncoaching.com) if this would be helpful for your family.

## Mennonite Church News and Events

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**MennoCon19:** Register online at <https://convention.mennoniteusa.org/> for the Mennonite Church USA Convention this summer in Kansas City, July 2-9. Register before March 20 take advantage of lower prices. Be sure to check the box requesting a copy of the latest Mennonite hymnal. If you aren't interested in keeping one for yourself, you could save the church \$20/hymnal by donating yours to Rainbow.

### Mennonite Disaster Service

- Volunteers are needed from 8am- 4pm in Eureka, KS for roofing and exterior repairs. Work days include: February 22 & 23; March 1 & 2. If interested, contact Jordan Miller at 316-217-4570 or [jordanmiller795@gmail.com](mailto:jordanmiller795@gmail.com).
- MDS Kansas Unit Annual meeting: Join us at Eden Mennonite Church, 401 18th Ave, Moundridge on Sunday, February 24 at 2:00 p.m. for a review of the past year and to hear about experiences of people who have served various places.

Everence will hold an informative webinar on Social Security and retirement income planning. The presentation will be on Tuesday, Feb. 26, at 2 and 8 p.m. (EST). To register, visit [www.everence.com/retirementincome](http://www.everence.com/retirementincome) or contact Valerie Diaz at (800) 222-5054 ext. 3349 or [valerie.diaz@everence.com](mailto:valerie.diaz@everence.com).

All are welcome to join in the 12<sup>th</sup> annual **Mennonite Central Committee Comforter Blitz** on March 4, 5 and 6 at the Journey Yoder Campus, one mile north of Yoder, Kansas. Times are Monday, 9am-5pm; Tuesday, 9am-5pm; Wednesday, 9am-4pm. No sewing skills are required. Lunch is available by donation each day, or you may bring your own. This event is hosted by Kansas Friends of MCC.

### Community Events

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See the recent Rainbow News midweek email for more details about the following:

- Mon, Feb 18, 6:30 – 8pm: **Monthly KCK MORE2 meeting** (Metropolitan Organization for Racial and Economic Equity) in KCK. Contact Ben Parker Sutter, [outreach@rainbowmennonite.org](mailto:outreach@rainbowmennonite.org)
- Tue, Feb 21, 5-7pm: **Research Impact Talk: Engaging Migrant & Seasonal Farmworkers in Healthcare Research** in OP, KS. Contact Hanna Hochstetler, [hanna.mfaf@gmail.com](mailto:hanna.mfaf@gmail.com)
- Saturday, February 23, 6-11pm: **Dinner/Dance to fix a church kitchen** in OP, KS. Contact Kimberly Hunter, (559) 289-2716
- Tues, Feb 26, 6:30-7:30pm: **Prep Planning for Tenant Tuesdays Support Team & Leaders** at Cross-Lines in KCK. Contact Ben Parker Sutter at [outreach@rainbowmennonite.org](mailto:outreach@rainbowmennonite.org)

**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 at karenh@sckck.org or at 913-485-0975. 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 10, 2019 – church was cancelled due to inclement weather**

Attendance.....0  
 Total Offering.....\$ 0

**This Week**

Sunday	Feb 17	Jr High Breakfast	8:30am
		Sr High Lunch	11:00am
		Playground Committee Meeting & Lunch	12:00pm
		Rainbow Strings	4:00pm
Tuesday	Feb 19	Staff Meeting	1:00pm
Wednesday	Feb 20	Rainbow Quilters	9:00am
		Choir Meal	6:15pm
		Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm

**Next Week**

Tuesday	Feb 26	Staff Meeting	1:00pm
Wednesday	Feb 27	Women’s Luncheon	11:00am
		Choir Meal	6:15pm
		Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm
Thursday	Feb 28	Church Council Meeting	7:00pm
Friday	Mar 1	RDA Team Retreat	8:00am

\*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.

Sarah Tomas Morgan ~ Jewish Vocational services (sarah.tomasmorgan@gmail.com)  
 Hanna Hochstetler ~ Migrant Farmers Assistance Fund (hannakathleen.h@gmail.com)