

RAINBOW MENNONITE CHURCH

June 16, 2019

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 are **David Bluford and Alex Jantzen**. Greeters are **John and Pat Bertsche**. 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. Nursery workers are **Barbara Baumgartner and Kendric Beachey**. Closing trustee is **Duane Krehbiel**.

Remembering in Prayer...

- Dave Richardson Spaite has a credentialing interview with Western District Conference on Friday, June 21. Dave currently serves as a chaplain at Research Medical Center.
- Melisa Synness, sister to Marsha Rhoads, was recently diagnosed with breast cancer. Her surgery held no surprises and she is progressing well toward ordinary activities. Please continue to remember her as her pathology report and treatment plans become a reality. Marsha is currently Helena, Montana to support her sister.
- Please pray for Christy Griffin, sister-in-law to Jimmy Griffin, as she will have surgery on June 24.

This Morning at Rainbow

Worship 9:30am Pastor Ruth and Katie Sowers will be our co preachers this morning. Katie, now an NFL coach, has been a supporter of the Rainbow Summer Program ever since her older sister was a Servant Intern with the program in the early 2000s. For the past several years, Katie has offered football clinics and motivational words and stories to our summer scholars.

Summer Second Hour 10:50 – 11:45 This morning, Executive Director of Rosedale Development Association, Erin Stryka, will talk about the Rainbow Summer Program and how that fits into RDA's goals and assessment of community needs. No additional/separate activities are planned for children and youth.

Announcements

Help needed: We could use some help working alongside a group from the New Story Church from Turner. They will be working in the Whitmore Playground this coming Tuesday, June 18 from 6pm to 8pm. We will be doing general clean up and trimming bushes. Bring your favorite clippers and gloves. Any questions contact Judy Selzer (judyselzer@gmail.com) or 816-506-0695

A note from RMC Deacons (Mike Peters, chair; Leah Schwarz, Sallie Page-Goertz, Dick Tatro, Marsha Rhoads, David Stewart): Per our church constitution that states the Rainbow Pastor should be reviewed formally by the congregation every three years, the Rainbow Deacons invite members and regular attendees to participate in an evaluation of our Pastor, Ruth Harder. The purpose of this pastoral evaluation is to strengthen the relationship between Ruth and the congregation by providing feedback that encourages Ruth in her work and helps identify any areas for growth. A link to an online survey will be available in this coming Wednesday's midweek email. Paper copies of the survey will also be available upon request. The deadline for completion is Monday, July 15. Thank you for your prayerful responses.

RDA and the Outreach Committee are hosting a **Day of Play and Picnic in the Playground** Friday June 21 from 3-7pm. There will be numerous activities for youth from 3-5pm. We currently need volunteers to assist with activities including chess, hula hoops, basketball, and hop scotch. The picnic will begin at 5. We will be grilling hot dogs plus a vegetarian option. Side dishes are welcome but not required. There will be a photo booth and face painting as well. This event is open to everyone. If you would like to volunteer contact Terry Rouse at youth@rainbowmennonite.org

Mennonite Disaster Service Regional Director, Wayne Stucky, investigated the recent storm damage near Lawrence and Linwood. The county emergency management offices responded that they do not require additional assistance or the damage affected homes not eligible for MDS assistance (no insurance). However, there may be a need to muck out basements in South Central Kansas, in the near future! Contact Eric Jantzen for details.

An invitation from Peace Mennonite Church in Lawrence, KS: All are invited to hear Pauline Sharp's presentation about Kanza history and the Kanza Heritage Society on Sunday evening, June 30, from 7 to 8:30. This presentation will be at Peace Mennonite Church in Lawrence, KS (615 Lincoln Street), and is hosted by the Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery Coalition. Please note that a member of this Coalition, Sarah Augustine, will be preaching at Rainbow earlier that day on June 30.

The Western District Conference Assembly will be held in North Newton, KS July 26-27. If you are interested in being a Rainbow delegate, please contact the church office ASAP (office@rainbowmennonite.org). Rainbow can send up to ten delegates to vote on conference-related policies and resolutions.

Youth News and Events

Day of Play (3-5pm) / Picnic at the Playground (5-7pm), Friday June 21

Mennonite Church USA Convention

If you plan to attend the Mennonite Church USA Convention in Kansas City July 2-6, please email or call to let the church office know.

Choir for MCUSA convention: One of the highlights of the convention in July will be a performance of the Mennonite Piano Concerto, a piece commissioned in 1975 in celebration of the beginning of the Anabaptist movement in 1525. The piece features 10 hymn tunes, which are presented with narration. The narration for this performance will be read by Dale Schrag. The audience will sing some of the hymns, and there will be a mass choir to sing some choral arrangements. The choir, conducted by Russ Adrian and Rosi Penner Kaufman, will have two rehearsals: Wednesday, July 3 (6-7:30pm) and Thursday, July 4, (6-7pm) with one additional rehearsal for local singers at Rainbow before the convention. The performance will be July 4 at 7:15pm. You do not need to register for the convention to sing in the choir. Contact Rosi Penner Kaufman if you would like to participate.

A note from Pastor Ruth about Pink Menno* at the Mennonite Church USA convention: I'm serving on a planning committee for Pink Menno's 10th anniversary party on **Thursday evening, July 4, at The Bauer.** All are invited (no convention registration required). Open space and welcome will begin at 6:30 pm followed by a recent documentary film about Wendi Moore-O'Neil's life work. The Pink Menno anniversary party will run from 9:30-11 pm. Come and go as you can.

*Pink Menno's vision is to achieve healing and hope for the Mennonite Church through the inclusion and welcome of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer individuals and their supporters. Their strategy is to remain a visible, vocal, and nonviolent presence supporting, sustaining and furthering witness to the goodness of LGBTQ people. You can read more here: <https://www.pinkmenno.org/>

Community Events

The **Rosedale Farmers Market** is now open and has new hours! The Market operates every Sunday from 9am – 1pm in the Commerce Bank parking lot at 4020 Rainbow Blvd. across from KU Medical Center. It's a great place to purchase produce, eggs, baked goods, jams and jellies, and chocolate. Senior Farmers Market Vouchers are now available at the Market. We hope to see you on Sunday!

June 22 – Cross-Lines Community Picnic (12-2pm): Cross-Lines will be hosting our 5th Annual Community Picnic, a chance for the community to come together and enjoy free food, fun, and music. It's a good opportunity to visit the Cross-Lines campus and see who else lives in the Amourdale/Rosedale area! Contact Christina Hofer (christina@cross-lines.org) for more info.

June 9, 2019

Attendance.....	160
Visitors (included in attendance count)	17
General Fund	\$ 10,494.40
Other Donations	\$ 345.36
Total Offering	\$ 10,839.76

This Week

Sunday	Jun 16	Youth & Parent Convention Lunch Meeting	11:00am
		Playground Committee Meeting	11:45am
Monday	Jun 17	Rainbow Summer Program Scholars Begin	
		Safety Team Meeting	6:00pm
		SCR Board Meeting	6:30pm
Tuesday	Jun 18	Staff Meeting	1:00pm
Wednesday	Jun 19	Women's Luncheon	11:00am
Thursday	Jun 20	Rainbow Summer Program Parent Meeting	6:00pm
Friday	Jun 21	Rosedale Day of Play	3:00pm
		Picnic in the Playground	5:00pm

Next Week

Sunday	Jun 23	Bell Choir Rehearsal	10:50am
Tuesday	Jun 25	Staff Meeting	1:00pm
Thursday	Jun 27	Rainbow Summer Program Parent Meeting	6:00pm
		Church Council Meeting	7:00pm

Rainbow Mennonite Church congregation hosts Kansas City's Mennonite Voluntary Service (MVS) unit. Currently we have one volunteer and two MVS associates living in the MVS house, serving with local nonprofits, while also plugging into the Rosedale neighborhood and Rainbow. These temporary residents are joined by longer-term house residents/managers Kimberly Hunter and Je'Taime Taylor.

Hanna Hochstetler ~ Migrant Farmers Assistance Fund (hannakathleen.h@gmail.com)
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