

RAINBOW MENNONITE CHURCH

November 10, 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 **Andy Toews and Mitch Kaufman**. Greeters are **Bob and Phyllis Carlson**. Please ask them if you need assistance with seating, use of a large-print hymnal, hearing assistance device or have questions about the location of the restrooms. The nursery, available for children from birth to age 4, is located on the second floor in the education wing. Nursery workers are **Tanya Ortman, Kate Brubacher and Madeline Bollinger**. Closing Trustee is **Brad Grittman**.

Remembering in Prayer...

Amanda Lindahl and Joshua Stadler joined their lives in marriage yesterday. Let's join in offering them our congratulations and well-wishes!

Krista Kaufman's mother, Ann Showalter, died peacefully on November 6. She had recently been diagnosed with gastric cancer. Her visitation will be at Petersen Funeral Home in Newton on November 11, 3-7pm. A memorial service will be held at Shalom Mennonite Church in Newton on November 12 at 11:00am with lunch to follow. *We appreciate prayers during the upcoming days as we recognize her many accomplishments and celebrate her life.* ~ Blessings, Krista and Robert

The Boehm and Goertz families. Bob Boehm, husband of Helen Goertz, brother-in-law of Kenn Goertz and Sallie Page-Goertz, passed away on October 21. A funeral service will be held at Rainbow on November 24 at 4pm.

This Morning at Rainbow

Worship 9:30am

WorshipArts (K – 5th Grade) 10:30 – 10:55am (Rainbow Room)

Sunday School for all ages 10:50 – 11:45am (Adult class options listed on back)

Announcements

Notice from the Rainbow Safety Committee: The East Doors will be continue to be locked at the start of the 9:30am worship service. A sign is placed on the East doors alerting all who arrive after 9:30am to go to the West doors, which will remain unlocked all morning. Please note that we will re-evaluate this plan in January, after this initial trial period. Members of the Safety Team include Dale Graham, Steven Cress, Barbara Baumgartner, Darin Kaufman, Dick Tatro and Carrie Parsons.

Let us know how you would like to get involved at Rainbow! See the midweek email for a link to the Rainbow Involvement Questionnaire or pick up a paper copy in the east or west foyers. The questionnaire outlines the ways to get involved in the Rainbow mission to Worship, Serve and Learn. Whether it is committee work, activities involvement or taking on requests as needed, we invite your participation. Information received will be forwarded to staff and current committee chairs. As volunteer opportunities are identified, someone we will be in touch. Please submit this by Thursday, November 14 at 9am.

RMC Sunday School parents--Rainbow's Sunday School students are currently working on a unique project for this year's Christmas Program. Over the next several weeks, students will be working with Paul Zehr, Christina Hofer, and Eliot Hartzler to create a zany fusion of recorded audio and theatrical pantomime.

- During Sunday School hour, K-5 students will be involved in recording on 11/10, and 11/17 and Jr and Sr or High Youth will be rehearsing a stage adaptation of that audio on 11/24, 12/8, and 12/15.
- The performance will be on 12/15 at 5:00pm. We would love to have as many children participate as possible! For any questions or concerns, please see Paul Zehr or Christina Hofer.

Save the date! The Rainbow Christmas Program will be Sunday, Dec. 15 at 5:00 pm.

Thank you to everyone who donated and participated in our "Cross-Lines, Chiefs, and Chili" event in support of the Cross-Lines Christmas Store! We were able to raise over \$5,900 toward the \$12,000 that we spend each year on food for the Christmas store. We are still collecting food items in the Wesley Room, specifically peanut butter, canned tuna and pancake/biscuit mix, as well as financial donations to purchase items for the food section of the Cross-Lines Christmas Store. The Cross-Lines Christmas Store will run from December 9-14 and volunteer information for these dates will be coming soon.

The Migrant Farmworkers Assistance Fund (MFAF) is holding a weekly food distribution for migrant and seasonal farmworkers who are here for the fall harvest season; distributing between 100-180 food bags a week. Consider donating the following items by bringing them to the church office where Hanna Hochstetler, MVSer currently serving at MFAF, can pick them up: Plastic bottles (not frozen) of orange juice or apple juice, Boxes of granola bars, Brown paper bags.

2020 budget requests were sent out to committees recently. Please make sure that you go over your budget requirements in your November meetings. Requests will be due back to Stewardship Committee by December 1.

Small Groups have been reorganized for the next two years. If you missed the deadline and still want to be a part of a small group, please let one of the committee members know. Contact Peggy Coriell, Lee Ann Duncan, Pat Bertsche or Tanya Ortman. Save the date! The Rainbow Christmas Program will be Sunday, December 15 at 5pm.

To Rainbow newcomers and visitors: Please join Pastor Ruth and the Welcoming Committee for a brunch during the Sunday School hour on November 17. We'll meet in the copy room for coffeecake and fruit and a chance to get to know each other. Please contact the church office to RSVP. We hope to see you there.

Staff News

Pastor Ruth will be out of the office November 13 and 14. Rosi Penner Kaufman will be out of the office on November 14.

Youth News

Sr high youth are invited to attend Snow Camp at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp February 14-16. The weekend will be full of singing, worshiping, tubing, boom hockey, and beautiful scenery around the camp. The youth will be responsible for a \$25 deposit (due Dec 1) and will need to provide money for two meals and a sack lunch. If the deposit is a barrier for a youth attending or you have questions please talk with Sarah Neher! For more details see <https://rmmc.org/senior-high-snow-camp>

Community News

East Hill Singers Fall 2019 Concert: The East Hill Singers concerts consist of songs arranged by Elvera Voth, a past member of Rainbow Mennonite Church. The final concert for the fall will be this afternoon at Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church (11100 College Blvd, Overland Park, KS). Concert starts at 4:00pm and an Art Exhibit and Sale opens at 3:00pm.

November 3, 2019

Attendance.....	165
Visitors (included in attendance count)	4
General Fund	\$ 6,717.73
Cross-Lines Christmas Store Donations	\$ 5,922.00
Other Donations	\$ 644.00
Total Offering	\$ 13,283.73
October Online Giving Total	\$ 4,422.16

This Week

Sunday	Nov 10	Faith Formation Board Meeting	11:50am
Tuesday	Nov 12	Staff Meeting	1:00pm
Wednesday	Nov 13	Choir Meal	6:15pm
		Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm
Thursday	Nov 14	Trustees Meeting	7:00pm
		Peace & Social Justice Committee Meeting	7:00pm

Next Week

Sunday	Nov 17	Jr High Breakfast	8:30am
		Sr High Lunch	11:00am
		Sound System Meeting	11:45am
		Rainbow Strings	4:00pm
Tuesday	Nov 19	Staff Meeting	1:00pm
Wednesday	Nov 20	Women's Luncheon	11:00am
		(7936 Quivira Rd, Lenexa, KS)	
		Choir Meal	6:15pm
		Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm
Thursday	Nov 21	Church Council Meeting	7:00pm

Fall Quarter Adult Education Class Options:

The Nickel Boys, a novel by Colson Whitehead

Facilitator: Dale Graham, Library

The View of Life: Completing the Darwinian Revolution, by David Sloan Wilson

Facilitators: Darrell Wiens and Phillip Rhoads, Sunflower Room

Thirty True Things Everyone Needs to Know Now, by Leroy Seat

Facilitators: Clif Hostetler and Leroy Seat, Room 111

Worship and Sermon Discussion

Rotating Facilitators, Wesley Room