# November 14, 2021

Worship 9:30am

## Faith Formation 10:50am

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Janelle Arnett Campbell, organist

David Stewart, worship leader

**RETURN TO SINGING** 

WELCOME AND PRAYER

HYMN VT 1

Rosi Penner Kaufman

Summoned by the God Who Made Us

### WE LISTEN AND LEARN

MOMENT OF WONDER

Janelle Arnett Campbell

### HYMNAL DEDICATION

Leader: As we dedicate Voices Together,

### All: we join our voices

Leader: with the voices of those who taught us to sing and pray: friends, family, church communities, those who stand beside us, and those we have never met.

## All: We join our voices

Leader: with the voices of those who go before us in faith:

16th-century Anabaptists and medieval mystics,

20th-century activists and early communities of Jesus-followers.

### All: We join our voices

Leader: with the voices of those we know from Scripture:

Paul and Silas in prison, Mary overcome with joy,

Miriam and Moses, psalmists, and prophets.

### All: We join our voices

Leader: with the voices of those who speak, and sing, and sign in many languages,

in communities large and small, urban and rural, emerging and established, in many expressions of worship and music.

Leader: And when we struggle to join our voices, we pray:

### All: for patience as we learn new ways of worship and song,

for understanding when we encounter the unexpected,

for forgiveness when we rush to judgment,

for wisdom in choosing what and how much to attempt,

for courage to take risks and to fail,

for faith that we are held in God's grace,

for hope that we can grow together as the body of Christ, for love of God and neighbor strengthened and expressed through worship and song.

Leader: With gratitude:

# All: We give thanks to God

Leader: for poets, composers, and visual artists who help us sing and pray in ways that are both familiar and new about changing realities and eternal truths.

## All: We give thanks to God

Leader: for committees, denominations, and publishers,

volunteers, supporters, and donors,

for the hundreds of people

and the tens of thousands of decisions

that create a hymnal and worship book.

# All: We give thanks to God

Leader: for the communities of worship and song that surround us, filling our hearts, stretching our minds, moving our bodies, and stirring our spirits.

# All: We give thanks to God for Voices Together

Leader: and dedicate these books and the worship they support

to the glory of God, in Jesus Christ, through the power of the Holy Spirit.

## All: Amen.

HYMN VT 38	9	I Will Sing With You
SCRIPTURE	Amos 1:1-2, 5:14-15; 21-24	Ruth Harder, David Stewart
TEACHING ANTHEM	Now Thank we all our God	Rosi Penner Kaufman arr. Hayes

# WE RESPOND AND SHARE

### SHARING JOY

We welcome the introduction of guests and visitors during this time. One way we get to know one another is by signing the friendship registers. Once the register reaches the center aisle, please pass it back to the outer aisle.

### SHARING CONCERNS

### PRAYING TOGETHER

Slips of paper are available in the pew racks for those who wish to offer joys and concerns silently and anonymously. These papers, if put in the offering plate, will be placed in the prayer bowl table at the front of the sanctuary.

## WE GO INTO THE WORLD WITH LOVE

HYMN VT 849

We, Your People, Sing Your Praises

POSTLUDE

#### **CARING NOTES**

• On November 6th, Christina Hofer and Paul Zehr celebrated their wedding in South Dakota! The following weekend, they will travel to Upstate New York for a wedding open house with friends and family from Paul's home community. Since moving to Kansas City, Rainbow Mennonite Church has been an important source of friendship, support, and personal and spiritual growth for the couple, and they invite your continued love and support from afar as they embark on this new chapter in their relationship.

#### THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

November 14 – Sunday

- Worship Service and Livestream 9:30 AM
- Community Building Time in the Fellowship Hall 10:30 AM
- Faith Formation Hour 10:50 AM

November 15 – Monday

• Bible Study 5:00 PM

November 16 - Tuesday

• Staff Meeting 12:00 PM

November 17 - Wednesday

- Women's Lunch on zoom 11:00 AM
- Staff Outing 12:00 4:00 PM
- Choir Rehearsal 6:45 PM

November 18 – Thursday

• Church Council Meeting 7:00 PM

### **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES**

Sunday, Nov. 21st- Youth Brunch, 10:50-11:40 am Saturday, Dec. 4th- Decorating for Advent 9:00 am- noon Saturday, Dec. 4th- Youth Peppernut & Christmas Fun 2:00-8:00 pm Sunday, Dec 5th- Rezound! Handbell Ensemble 3:00 pm Sunday, Dec 19th- Rainbow Christmas Experience 10:50 am

### FAITH FORMATION HOUR 10:50 AM

K-5th, Rainbow Room (at the bottom of the east stairs to the left) Jr. High (6th-8th), Jr. High Room (the first classroom at the top of the east stairs) Sr. High (9th-12th), Sr. High Room (the classroom closest to the balcony)

Adult class: Adult class through December 5: *Inspired: Slaying Giants, Walking on Water, and Loving the Bible Again* by Rachel Held Evans. Our author admits that our childhood Bible stories don't answer all of life's questions. Rachel Held Evans is a storyteller and challenges us to love the Bible and its stories from a different perspective.

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