

**November 7, 2021**

**Worship 9:30am**

**Faith Formation 10:50am**

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**WE GATHER TO WORSHIP**

PRELUDE

Carol Buller, organist

WELCOME AND PRAYER

David Stewart, worship leader

HYMN VT 126

*Holy God, We Praise Thy Name*

*Due to Covid restrictions, please hum. Accompanist will play 4 times.*

**WE LISTEN AND LEARN**

MOMENT OF WONDER

Sallie Page-Goertz

SCRIPTURE/TEACHING

1 Kings 19:1-18

Ruth Harder

MUSICAL REFLECTION VT 114

*Now Thank We All Our God*

Carol Buller

*You are invited to consider the words of this hymn as Carol plays a favorite arrangement of this tune.*

**WE RESPOND AND SHARE**

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT

Cross-lines Christmas Store

OFFERING

SHARING JOY

*As we share our joys and concerns, please be mindful of those gathered remotely.*

*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 may be placed in the prayer bowl table at the front of the sanctuary.*

## **WE GO INTO THE WORLD WITH LOVE**

SENDING FORTH VT 672

*For All the Saints*

## **POSTLUDE**

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### **CARING NOTES**

- On November 6th, Christina Hofer and Paul Zehr celebrated their wedding in South Dakota. 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.
- Becky Bartel has moved into her new apartment at Greenwood Terrace (11150 Greenwood Street, Apartment 205, Lenexa, KS, 66215). She would love visitors!

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### **THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES**

November 7 – (Today) Sunday

- Worship Service and Livestream 9:30 AM
- Fellowship in the parking lot 10:30 AM
- Faith Formation Hour 10:50 AM

November 8 – Monday

- Bible Study 5:00 PM

November 9 - Tuesday

- Staff Meeting 12:00 PM

November 10 – Wednesday

- Piecemakers 10:00 AM
- Playground Committee Meeting 6:00 PM
- Choir Rehearsal 6:45 PM

November 11 – Thursday

- Trustees Meeting 7:00 PM
- Peace and Social Justice Committee Meeting 7:00 PM

## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Sunday, Nov. 21st- Youth Brunch, 10:50-11:40 am

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

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## FAITH FORMATION HOUR 10:50 AM

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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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

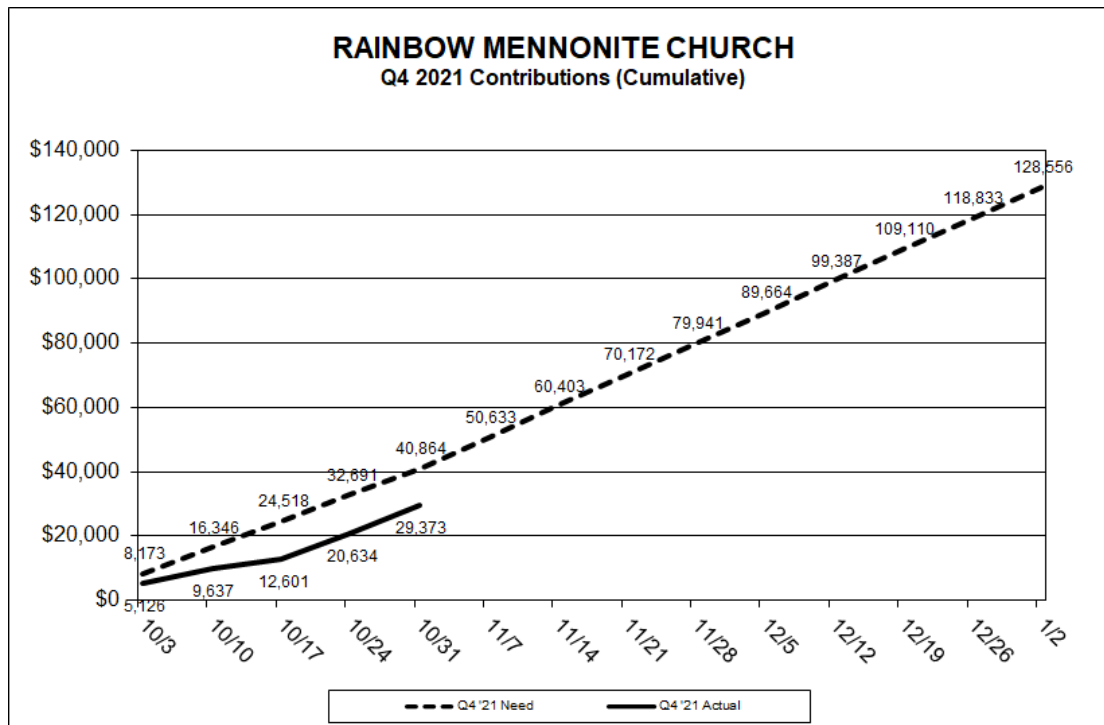
Our worship planning and tech crews continue to work to find the best solutions for both in-person and online participation in worship. As we are learning the new hymnal, we realize there are several ways to present the information. Some might find it difficult to read the small print and notes in the printed version. For those who would like a larger version, we will provide a few copies of the hymns on the welcome tables in both the east and west entry.

**The Outreach Committee** has begun to prepare for Rainbow's Annual venture with the Cross-Lines Christmas Store. Last year we distributed holiday boxes to about 200 families. Items in the boxes were:

Brownie mix	Raisins	Microwave popcorn
Banana chips	Instant cocoa mix	Applesauce
Canned pumpkin	Evaporated milk	Peppermint candy canes
Mac 'n cheese	Protein bars	Canned yam

The cost of these items for 200+ families was \$6500. This year we are tasked with increasing the number of families to receive holiday boxes to 250 families. MCC has agreed to donating 500 cans of meat to the endeavor. The rest remains up to us. I trust that we will be generous in our opportunity to help our neighbors have some treats for their holiday celebrations. – Anna Jones

**Stewardship Update:** As of 10/31/21, we are forecasting that we will require \$99.2K in contributions in the final 9 weeks of the year to meet our 2021 commitment to fund all the missions of the church and break even for the year. This is after counting the \$44.7K PPP loan forgiveness as income. Based on this, our average need per Sunday beginning 11/7 is \$11K. The chart below illustrates our actual vs. needed giving during Q4 2021. Please keep church finances in mind as we head toward the end of our business year. Thank you.



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