

February 27, 2022

Worship 9:30am

**Faith Formation K-12 10:45am (Zoom)
Adult Sunday School 10:50am (Hybrid)**

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Karen Goering Hostetler, pianist

WELCOME AND PRAYER

Sallie Page-Goertz, worship leader

HYMN VT 98

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

In accordance with Covid guidelines, please wear an N95 mask while singing

WE LISTEN AND LEARN

MOMENT OF WONDER

Linda Graham

HYMN VT 519

God, Give Me Faith like a Child

SCRIPTURE/TEACHING

John 9:1-14

Rosi Penner Kaufman

HYMN VT 274

See Whose Glory Fills the Skies

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.

OFFERING

WE GO INTO THE WORLD WITH LOVE**SENDING FORTH****POSTLUDE**

CARING NOTES

- From Norma Moeller: "Thank you for the ongoing prayers. The cards, phone calls and messages I've received from Rainbow are remarkable and very much appreciated."
- George Melby has returned to Homestead assisted living in Eudora, KS. He appreciates RMC's support and prayers.
- Following recent surgeries, Dick and Breda Tatro share this: "Thank you for your loving concern during all our recent situations. Until one has been on the receiving end of the need for prayers, it is impossible to know how much it means just to hear that someone is praying in his/her behalf. We needed this more than anything else." If you would like to volunteer to bring them a meal in the coming days/weeks, please visit here: <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/rqdq8l>
- George Houghton has moved to Bickford Mission Springs (off 61st Place & Nall). His physical address is: 5300 W 61st Pl Apt 102, Mission KS 66205-3000. His phone number will remain the same, 913-281-4762.
- Please keep Gary Kaufman in your prayers as he lives with a diagnosis of cancer.
- We received word that church member, Larry Bartel, passed away peacefully in his sleep last Sunday. Larry and Becky have dealt with the effects of several strokes over the last few years; we pray that Larry now feels at home. Plans for a memorial service are pending for now. Let's hold Becky and their entire family in our prayers.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

March 6th- Youth Ice Skating at Crown Center, 6-8 pm

March 20th- Youth Brunch, 10:50 am

April 3rd- Youth Art and Religion at the Nelson Atkins Museum, 12-2:30 pm

April 10th- Palm Sunday

April 17th- Easter Fun, 10:50 am

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

February 27 – Sunday (Today)

- Worship Service and Livestream 9:30 AM
- Community Building Time in the Fellowship Hall - cancelled
- Kids and Youth Sunday School on zoom 10:45 AM
- Adult Education hybrid 10:50 AM

February 28 – Monday

- Staff Outing 10:00-1:00 PM
- Bible Study via zoom 5:00 PM

March 1 – Tuesday

- Worship Committee Meeting 10:00 AM
- Staff Meeting 12:00 PM

March 2 – Wednesday

- Piecemakers 10:00 AM
- Ash Wednesday Bonfire 6:00 PM
- Choir Rehearsal 7:00 PM

March 5 – Saturday

- Ragtime, Old and New: A concert by Michael Dolman 4:00 PM

FAITH FORMATION HOUR 10:50 AM

Adult Education: This Sunday Phil Rhoads will continue a three-week series centered on Lincoln in the Bardo by George Sanders. Here is an introductory video about the author: <https://youtu.be/R9MKN0s1yko>

Looking ahead: March 13-April 24 David Bluford and Eric Jantzen (and some other special guests) will lead a book study on Strange Glory: A Life of Dietrich Bonhoeffer by Charles Marsh.

Note: We will meet by our hybrid method. We will hold the class in the Wesley Room beginning at 10:50 and we will use a new technology we ordered called The Owl. People attending live will be located by The Owl and their picture and audio will go in the Zoom meeting. People joining by Zoom only will appear and their audio and video will be picked up by all. More information and Zoom link available at [this link](#).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ash Wednesday--March 2 from 6-6:45 pm. This year we will mark Ash Wednesday (the beginning of Lent) with a Rainbow parking lot bonfire. This is for all ages and for anyone who ever wanted the DIY experience of burning palm branches and making ash.

Michael (Mike) Dolman, Matthew Lewis's cousin who played the piano at Matthew's memorial service in July, will return to our church to perform a concert, **RAGTIME, OLD AND NEW**, on Saturday, March 5, 2022, at 4:00 PM. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy this hour-long program, and admission is free. Masks are required to be worn by those attending the event.

The Rainbow Choir will resume rehearsals on Wednesday, March 2 at 7 pm

Camp Registration is now open for [Camp Mennoscah](#) and [Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp](#)! Sarah Neher will be providing input for pre-junior 1 at Camp Mennoscah, June 19-23. If you are too old to attend camp they are looking for volunteers to cook.

WDC Conference Minister, Heidi Regier Kreider:

As the crisis in Ukraine deepens following the invasion by Russian military forces on February 24, I invite you to join Mennonite Church USA (MC USA) and Mennonite World Conference in offering prayer for all who are impacted by this war, particularly for Ukrainians and our Mennonite siblings in Ukraine. MC USA is a member of Mennonite World Conference, a global community of faith in the Anabaptist tradition.

Here are several resources for participating in prayer and support for peacemaking and justice in Ukraine:

- Mennonite World Conference - cmm.org/stories/pastoral-letter-regarding-ukraine
- Mennonite Church USA - <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/prayer-request-for-ukraine/>
- Mennonite Central Committee - <https://mcc.org/stories/crisis-ukraine>

Everence will hold an informative Medicare webinar on Tuesday, March 8, starting at 6:30 p.m. Topics will include, when and where to sign up for Medicare, what Medicare does (and doesn't) cover, Medicare Parts A, B, C and D in clear, understandable language plus budgeting for health care costs in retirement. There will also be time for your questions.

Information will be presented by staff from the Everence offices in Central Kansas. To register contact Everence at 316-283-3800, 877-467-7294 or central.kansas@everence.com.

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