Do you see what I see?: W YEAR'S DAY NE

January 1, 2023 New Year's Day 10:00 am

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Nancy Bosché, pianist

WELCOME AND PRAYER

David Stewart, worship leader

*HYMNS VT 265 VT 250

Angels, from the Realms of Glory The First Noel, the Angel Did Say

WE LISTEN AND LEARN

SCRIPTURE/TEACHING

Matthew 1:1-17

Sarah Neher

HYMNS VT 246 VT 261 Come, Join in Mary's Prophet-Song Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

WE RESPOND AND SHARE

SHARING JOYS and CONCERNS

PRAYING TOGETHER

VT 271 Christ, You Are Light 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

*HYMN VT 258

Love Has Come

*SENDING FORTH

*POSTLUDE *You are invited to stand

RAINBOW MENNONITE CHURCH JANUARY 1, 2023

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.

Land Acknowledgement Statement*

- We at Rainbow Mennonite Church acknowledge the land we gather on is the ancestral and treaty homeland of the Kaw/Kansa and Osage Nations.
- We acknowledge the land was taken from these Peoples by force.
- We acknowledge as many as 30 Nations, including the Shawnee, Delaware, Cherokee, Iowa, Kickapoo, Lanape, Ottawa, Pottawatomie, Sac & Fox, and Wyandot, were forcibly relocated to Kansas before the US government violated the treaties and violently compelled them to move further west.
- We acknowledge that the Christian church was, and is, complicit in justifying this theft and participated in the cultural genocide of these Nations.
- We acknowledge that these Peoples are still here and that recognizing their deep historic connection to the land is the first step towards building right relationships with them and working together to create a more just society.

*Please take note of the Land Acknowledgment art commission now framed and installed in Fellowship Hall. Thank you to everyone who saw this project through from start to end.

Announcements

Next Sunday Artist Tokeya Richardson will join us for our Epiphany worship service at 9:30 am. Following the service, the Peace and Social Justice Committee invites everyone to the Fellowship Hall for a dedication of his "Acknowledgment of Life" commission. TK will then share more about his life story and the creation of this piece. A question and answer time will follow.

Our annual congregational business meeting is scheduled for **Sunday, February 5.** Please mark your calendars! Time of day to be determined.

Annual Reports! Attention committee chairs, RMC Church Council officers: please submit annual reports to the church office no later than <u>Wednesday</u>, January 11. It's crucial that we give Church Administrator Sarah Unruh enough time to compile and format all the reports prior to our annual meeting, which is scheduled for February 5. Thank you.

December 25, 2022

Attendance 30	
Online Views	70
General Fund	\$44,574.00
Other Donations	\$10,100.00
Total Offering	\$54,674.00

Calendar

This Week

Monday	Jan	2	Church Office closed (holiday)	
Tuesday	Jan	3	Staff Meeting	12:00pm
Wednesday	Jan	4	Personnel Committee Mtg	1:00 pm
-			Choir Supper	6:15pm
			Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm
Next Week				
Sunday	Jan	8	Epiphany & Art Dedication	9:30 am
Monday	Jan	9	Bible Study on zoom	5:00pm
Tuesday	Jan	10	Staff Meeting	12:00pm
Wednesday	Jan	11	Women's Lunch	11:00am
			Choir Supper	6:15pm
			Choir Rehearsal	6:45pm

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