

Rainbow Mennonite Church

April 7, 2024

Worship 9:30am

Fellowship 10:30am
Learning Hour 10:50am

*Words from afar, stars that are falling,
sparks that are sown in us like seed.
Names for our God, dreams, signs, and wonders
sent from the past are what we need.
We in this place remember and speak again what we have heard:
God's free redeeming Word.*

-Voices Together Hymn 22

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE *Earth and All Stars*

arr. Portman
Rosi Penner Kaufman, organist

WELCOME AND PRAYER

Ruth Harder and Marco Flores, worship leaders

*HYMN VT 81 st. 1-4, 7

All Creatures, Worship God Most High

WE LISTEN AND LEARN

MOMENT OF WONDER

Blessing of Coins for MCC

Natasha VanDyke

Your coins count! Each year, spare change collected by children, families and churches adds up to more than \$600,000 toward Mennonite Central Committee's (MCC) work around the world. This year all proceeds will go toward clean water projects and natural resource development.

SCRIPTURAL STORYTELLING

Names, Dreams, and Wonders

4th, 5th, and 6th grade class

ANTHEM

Standin' in the Need of Prayer
Kate Brubacher and Natasha VanDyke, solo

arr. Walker

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.

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

SHARING CONCERNS

PRAYING TOGETHER VT 3 *Gathered Here* as directed

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

Offertory: *Prairie Breezes* by Joe Utterback

Adam Linscheid and Rosi Penner Kaufman

If you would like to take advantage of electronic giving, please find the QR code printed in the newsnotes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE GO INTO THE WORLD WITH LOVE

*HYMN 180

This Is God's Wondrous World

*SENDING FORTH

*POSTLUDE

*You are invited to stand

Anthem: *Standin' in the Need of Prayer*, arr. Gwyneth Walker

It's me, it's me, O Lord, standin' in the need of prayer,
It's me, it's me, O Lord, standin' in the need of prayer.

Not my father or my mother but it's me, O Lord. . .
Not my sister or my brother. . .

Not the teacher or the preacher. . .
Not the scholar with the collar. . .

Not the bug in the rug. . .
Not the fly in the pie. . .

Not the goose on the loose. . .
Not the horse of course. . .

I'm a sinner, a beginner. . .
I'm a seeker, once-a-weeker. . .

Not you, but me, standin' in the need of prayer.

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