

## ***Our Mission:***

*Raleigh Mennonite Church is a community growing as disciples of Jesus, the Christ. We nurture growth of the inner spiritual life, seeking transformation through God's grace as followers of Jesus.*

*We are active in reconciliation and service, making Christ known through sharing the story of God's love and forgiveness with our children, our neighbors and our world. In our lives, we seek justice, healing, hope and peace for all people.*

*We warmly and actively welcome others to join us on this journey.*

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## **Children in Worship**

Children are encouraged and celebrated in worship. Worship Craft bags are available for use during the service. Nursery is available mid-way through the service for children up to kindergarten. To utilize our nursery, staffed by volunteers who have undergone our Safe Church Training, meet at the back during the hymn prior to the sermon.

## **Hearing Assistance:**

Hearing enhancement devices are available at the A/V table. Even if you do not have a hearing problem, they make what is spoken from the podium much more intelligible.

## **Prayer concerns:**

Lift up Phil and Betsy Moyer as they will leave Albania on Tuesday after a *Partners in Mission* assignment at the Lezha Academic Center. Pray that they will end their time well, for safety in travels, and for their transition back to life in the U.S.

## **Announcements:**

- **Summer Worship Time Change** - Over the summer (**June, July & August**), our Sunday morning worship services will begin at **10:00** am. There is no Sunday School during the summer months.
- **Gifts Discernment** - RMC takes time each year to identify and encourage the gifts among us and to consider how our gifts and passions might be used in the coming year both within the church and in the broader community. We ask each person (high school and above, newcomers and old-timers!) to complete a gifts discernment form and return it to Joanna J or Rosene R **by May 30**. Check your email inbox for the electronic version, or pick up a copy on the back table at church. Feel free to contact Joanna or Rosene if you have questions.
- **There will be opportunities to discuss and dialogue around the expansion of our welcoming statement on May 22 at 7pm and again on June 4 at 12:30pm.** You do not need to attend both sessions (we recognize schedules are busy and want to provide space for all those who wish to process this statement). Please RSVP to any servant leader for the May 22 conversation. **We will meet again as a church for a discussion and to test consensus on June 11, roughly 11:30-12:30.** The church schedule will change for the summer (moving to 10am starting time), and we will meet directly after worship. As such, we will not provide lunch, but if you'd like to bring a snack or bag lunch you are welcome to do so.
- **Pre-budget Conversation** - Your Stewardship Commission (June A, Dennis B, Lowell M & AI R) will host a Pre-Budget Conversation Sunday, **June 25, 9:30–10:15 AM**. Come and help us peer into the future. We value your input before we begin to formulate the church budget for next year; all input will be welcome.

RMC receives a **public offering** once each month (generally the first Sunday of the month); at other times gifts may be placed in the oak offering box on the back table.

