

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.

Pastor	Melissa F-B
Servant Leaders	Chris H, David R, Karin S, & Rachel T
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Children in Worship:

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

For children and youth who remain in worship, a Church Creation project will be introduced and materials provided. Church Creations are designed to complement the day's scripture reading or another worship theme. While Church Creations are designed with children and youth in mind, adults are invited to participate as materials are available.

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.

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

Announcements

This coming **Thursday, May 31**, is RMC's once per month community effort to come together in **prayer for Hope Elementary School and Growing Together Pre-School**. Remember to pray for the students and their parents, the teachers, administrators and all other personnel that work for and support (all the stakeholders) these schools.

Budget Input Welcome - Your Stewardship Commission (June, Dennis, Lowell, and Al) will soon begin constructing a proposed budget for the fiscal year beginning September 1. Your input is welcome. Contact a member of your Stewardship Commission.

Summer Worship Time – During June/July/August, our Sunday morning worship services will begin at **10:00 am**. (Reminder: there is no Sunday School during the summer months.)

Brunch & Hymns at Pullen Park - The first Sunday of each summer month (June 3, July 1, Aug 5), we will worship outdoors at Pullen Park, beginning with a **potluck brunch at 10:00**, followed by a service of singing your favorite songs. **Bring a brunch dish with serving spoon**. Hospitality will provide water & paper products. *Invite neighbors and friends to join us for these outdoor worship celebrations!* On June 3rd, we will meet at **Shelter #3**, which is easily accessible (no steps) if you follow the driveway to the right as you enter Pullen Park. Pass the aquatics center (on the right) and continue to the upper parking lot on the right, directly across from the shelters.

Offering Schedule - This summer our monthly offering will be received on the **2nd** Sunday, since we will be worshipping at Pullen Park on the 1st Sunday. Our public offerings will therefore be on **June 10, July 8, and August 12**.

Gifts Discernment - RMC takes time each May 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, Rosene R, Debbie B, or Emily B **by May 30**. Check your email inbox for the electronic version or the link to respond online, or pick up a hard copy on the back table at church. Feel free to contact anyone on the team if you have questions.

A new process for choosing certain leadership roles was affirmed at our last Church Life Meeting, in which we agreed to update our bylaws. We are seeking to fill the roles of Moderator, Secretary, and two Servant Leaders. We're hoping we can affirm nominations at our next CLM on June 10. If you sense that someone you know is gifted for one of these roles, please speak with them and ask if they'd be open to being nominated. If that person agrees to be nominated, please notify Melissa (temporarily serving as moderator). If you feel called to serve in one of these roles, you are welcome to nominate yourself.

Upcoming Events

Brunch & Hymns at Pullen Park, 10:00 am, Shelter #3	June 3
Church Life Meeting after worship	June 10
Brunch & Hymns at Pullen Park, 10:00 am	July 1
Brunch & Hymns at Pullen Park, 10:00 am	August 5
Church Life Meeting – Budget	August 26

Adult Sunday School classes, Spring quarter (March - May)

Very Good Gospel – Room #2
 Tokens of Trust – Room #5

Our summer quarter runs from June through August. During the summer quarter there will be no Sunday School classes for children or adults.

	Today (May 27)	Next Week (June 3) – Brunch and Hymns
Greeter/ Usher	Karin S, Kim B	
Nursery	Joanna J, Karin S	
Sharing	Melissa F-B	
Sound	Sean B	
Bulletin	Joanna J	
Worship Coordinator	Rosene R	
Speaker	Melissa F-B	

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Marc S	May 28
Scott B	May 31
Joanna J	May 31
Sue S	May 31
Rosene and David R	June 2
Karin S	June 4
Hugh H	June 5
Janet and Todd F-B	June 6
Luz and John F-B	June 8
Kari and Chris H	June 9
Lynn and Billy S	June 9

If your birthday or anniversary is missing from this list, please contact the bulletin team at bulletin@raleighmennonite.org.

Raleigh Mennonite Church

May 27, 2018

Welcome to our worship!

We are a community seeking to keep Jesus at the center of our lives, aware that we come from a variety of life experiences and points in our faith journeys. God invites us all to worship no matter our cultures, traditions and paths to God. We truly welcome you whatever your religious background or spiritual practice.

Sunday School

9:30 a.m.

Gathering for Worship

10:30 a.m.

Prelude	SS 34	You are Holy	Instrumental Ensemble
Welcome & Announcements			Stephen J
Call to Worship	Screen		Rosene R
Songs of Praise			
	WB 76	Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord	
	WB 64	Asithi: Amen	
	SS 34	You are Holy	

Prayer

Song WB 161 We Give Thanks unto You

Children invited to attend nursery

Hearing and Responding to God's Word

Church Creations		Rachel T
Scripture Reading	Exodus 19:1-6	Claire U
	Exodus 20:1-11	Marlin & Mary Z

Sermon [The Ten commandments as an Invitation fo Freedom](#) Melissa F-B

Video: A New Law

Sharing and Prayer Melissa F-B

Prayer of Blessing for Claire, Marlin & Mary Melissa F-B

Sending Forth

Benediction Screen May the Lord, Mighty God