

### **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
Church meeting location	1116 North Blount St., Raleigh NC
Mailing address	P.O. Box 25545, Raleigh NC 27611
Website	<a href="http://www.raleighmennonite.org">www.raleighmennonite.org</a>
Facebook	<a href="http://www.facebook.com/raleighmennonite">www.facebook.com/raleighmennonite</a>
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Email for announcements	<a href="mailto:bulletin@raleighmennonite.org">bulletin@raleighmennonite.org</a>
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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.

### **Prayer Concerns**

Jason Boone coordinates the Peace and Justice Support Network. Pray for inspiration and wisdom as he provides resources to congregations and individuals who engage in nonviolent, active peacemaking. (Mennonite Mission Network Prayer Vine)

### **Announcements**

**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 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	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

	<b>Today (May 20)</b>	<b>Next Week (May 27)</b>
<b>Greeter/ Usher</b>	Mariechen J and Debbie Bl	Karin R and Kim B
<b>Nursery</b>	Rosene R, Marva K	Joanna J Karin R
<b>Sharing</b>	Rachel T	Melissa F-B
<b>Sound</b>	Joe J	Sean Bl
<b>Bulletin</b>	Joanna J	Joanna J
<b>Worship Coordinator</b>	Brenda NM	Rosene Rr
<b>Speaker</b>	Melissa F-B	Melissa F-B

**Birthdays and Anniversaries**

Eric Vander H	May 20
Williamf and Ashley W	May 21
Ann R	May 21

If your birthday or anniversary is missing from this list, please contact the bulletin team at [bulletin@raleighmennonite.org](mailto:bulletin@raleighmennonite.org).

**Raleigh Mennonite Church**

**May 20, 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.*

<b>Sunday School</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>
<b>Gathering for Worship</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>
Prelude	Veni Sancte Spiritus
Welcome & Announcements	Stephen J
Prayer of Thanksgiving	Brenda NM
Songs of the Spirit	
	WB 6 Here in this place
	WB 26 Holy Spirit, come with power
Creation of Pentecost Canvas	
Signing of Membership Covenant	
	Screen Covenant Song
Children's Time	Melissa F-B
Song	WB 293 God sends us the Spirit
	<i>Children invited to attend nursery</i>
Renewing our Covenant and Welcoming New Members	
	Litany Screen
Song	SJ 27 God of the Bible
<b>Hearing and Responding to God's Word</b>	
Church Creations	Rachel T
Scripture Reading	Based on <a href="#">Acts 2</a> Shannon H & Angel C
	<a href="#">Sermon</a> Melissa F-B
Communion and Prayers for Healing	
	Song Sheet Bendice, Señor, Nuestro Pan
	WB 299 New earth, heavens new
Sharing and Prayer	Brenda NM
<b>Sending Forth</b>	
<b>Benediction</b>	Screen The Lord lift you up