

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)
Intergenerational Pastor	Rachel T
Servant Leaders	Debbie B, Pam B, Chris H, & Karin S
Church meeting location	1116 North Blount St., Raleigh NC
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Children in Worship

Children are encouraged and celebrated in worship. "Order of the Mustard Seed" (i.e. children's worship) is available mid-way through the service for children through 8 years old. To participate in Order of the Mustard Seed, which is led by Rachel Taylor and volunteers who have undergone our Safe Church Training, please 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, the devices make what is spoken from the podium much more intelligible.

Accessible Restroom

An accessible, gender-neutral bathroom is available near the front entrance.

Prayer Concerns

For all refugees and those who are threatened where they now live.

Remember Leah Weaver, serving with Mennonite Voluntary Service in Alamosa, Colorado.

Sunday School

Adult class: **Journey Forward:** Who are we as Mennonites? Who are we becoming as a denomination? Journey Forward is a churchwide renewal process of engaging in scripture, storytelling and sharing how God is at work in the lives of people and congregations across MC USA. . Melissa F-B (and others) will facilitate this class.

Intergenerational class: **Isaiah and Cupcakes:** Psalm 19:10: "How sweet are Your words to my taste!" We will explore key themes in the book of Isaiah together. This class is intended for RMCers aged 9 and older. Rachel Taylor will be facilitating this class.

Intergenerational Advent Sunday School class:

Based on the Gayle Boss Advent devotional *All Creation Waits*, this intergenerational Sunday School class will look at how wild animals preparing for winter can be our teachers for how to receive the gifts, growth, and life that happens when this season comes. We will spend one week each focusing on the Advent spiritual disciplines of saying no, praying, getting ready, and practicing hospitality. By paying attention to how wild animals of the northern hemisphere ingeniously adapt when darkness and cold descend, we will see and hear as if for the first time the ancient wisdom of Advent: *The dark is not an end but the way a new beginning comes.* After church on December 16th, we will also have a guided tour at Umstead State Park where a ranger will show us where we might find some animals getting ready for winter.

Parkview Christmas Party

For the last several years we've coordinated a Christmas Party at Parkview Manor Community (a low-income elderly apartment community just down the road from the church at 911 N. Blount St.) This year we are planning on more fun than ever with a karaoke machine (WOO_HOO!) and a few rounds of Family Feud. Saturday **December 8** - singing some Christmas Carols together at 6pm, with a Potluck at 6:30 and Program around 7:15. Several RMC'ers have signed up. Let Craig Herb know if you have interest or have questions. **It's a good time!**

	Today (Nov 18)	Next Week (Nov 25)
Greeter/ Usher	Karin S & Shannon H	Al & Ruth R
Nursery 9:30	Anne C & Karin S	No Sunday School
OMS 10:30	Janet Fi	No OMS
Sound	John / Stan (streaming)	Sean BI
Bulletin	Joe J	Joanna J
Worship Coordinator	Rosene R	Chrys B
Speaker	Doug Luginbill	Melissa F-B
Sharing	Brenda NM	Melissa F-B
Worship Setup	David & Rosene Rohrer	Brenda & Stan NM

Upcoming Events

Fellowship Meal	December 2
Parkview Christmas Party, 6 pm	December 8
Women's Lunch at TGIF, 1 pm	December 10
Nature Hike at Umstead State Park, after church	December 16
RMC Christmas Eve Service, 7 pm	December 24
Fellowship Meal	January 6
Church Life Meeting	January 13

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Rose Troyer	Nov-18
Abigail (Abby) Boldenow	Nov-22
Stan NM	Nov 25

If you haven't shared the date of your birthday or anniversary so it can be included in this weekly list, please contact bulletin@raleighmennonite.org

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. See raleighmennonite.org/give for additional options.

Raleigh Mennonite Church

November 18, 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 and Nursery

9:30 a.m.

Gathering

10:30 a.m.

Sounding of Singing Bowl

Welcome & Announcements

Stephen J

Prelude "To be alone with you"

Pam B & Melissa F-B

Proclaiming

Call to Worship

Screen

Rosene R

Songs of Praise

Worship Team

STJ 3 Jesus calls us here

WB 76 Praise, I will praise you, Lord

WB 64 Asithi: Amen

[Ordination of Melissa F-B](#)

[Doug Luginbill](#)

Installation of Rachel Taylor

Doug Luginbill

Song WB 400 Santo, santo, santo

Children are invited to OMS

Church Creations

Belissa A

Scripture [Isaiah 36:1-4, 13-20; 37:1-7; 2:1-4](#)

Isaac V

Message "[Poeting the Word](#)"

Doug Luginbill

Responding

Song WB 334 Christ is the World's True Light

Sharing and Prayer

Brenda NM

Sending

Benediction WB 118 Praise God from whom

Rosene R