

## 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 T 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.

## Upcoming Events

Parkview Christmas Party, 6 pm (caroling/dinner/program)	December 8
St. Nicholas Day Party at Melissa's home, 2 pm	December 9
Women's Lunch at TGIF, 1 pm	December 10
Advent Season Hike, Umstead State Park, 1pm (guided by a ranger who will show us how animals get ready for winter)	December 16
RMC Christmas Eve Service, 7 pm	December 24
Three Kings (and Queens!) Party, 5 pm	January 5
Fellowship Meal	January 6
Church Life Meeting	January 13

## December's 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!**

Saturday, **January 5** (5pm): **Three Kings (and Queens!) Party:** Come celebrate Three Kings Day at RMC! Kids and adults will have the opportunity to dress up in royal costumes, decorate star-shaped cookies, create their own crowns and other crafts, and eat King Cake. We will end the evening by watching a movie based on the Henry Van Dyke story of the last king who got a little distracted on his journey.

	Today (Nov. 25)	Next Week (Dec. 2)
<b>Greeter/ Usher</b>	Al & Ruth R	June A, Zinith B
<b>Nursery 9:30</b>	No Sunday School	Joanna J, Brenda H
<b>OMS 10:30</b>	No OMS	Shannon Hess
<b>Sound</b>	Sean B	Stan NM
<b>Bulletin</b>	Joanna J	
<b>Worship Coordinator</b>	Chrys B	Hans L, David R
<b>Speaker</b>	Melissa F-B	Melissa F-B
<b>Sharing</b>	Melissa F-B	Janet F
<b>Worship Setup</b>	Brenda and Stan NM	Duane B, Rachel T

### Birthdays and Anniversaries

Belissa A Nov-26  
Dianne S Nov-26

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](mailto: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.

## Raleigh Mennonite Church

November 25, 2018

Christ the King Sunday

### *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.*

### Gathering

10:30 a.m.

Sounding of Singing Bowl

Welcome & Announcements

Stephen J

Prelude "God of Many Names"

Chrys B & Pam B

### Proclaiming

Call to Worship (Screen)

Songs of Praise

Worship Team

(Screen) Clap Your Hands

(WB 112) O Lord, our Lord, how majestic

(SJ 16) Praise with joy the world's Creator

Prayer

(WB 77) God of many names

*Children are invited to Order of the Mustard Seed*

Church Creations

Belissa A

### Hearing and Responding

Scripture Reading - "The Kingdom of God" ([John 18:33-37](#))

Sermon

Melissa F-B

Sharing and Prayer

Emily Catherine M

### Sending

(Screen) Bind us together