

Salina Mennonite Church
The Story: Chapter Twelve
April 15, 2018

Salina Mennonite Church is a Christian community seeking to share God's love through celebration, nurture, service, and peacemaking.

Greeter: Barb Kathrineberg

Worship Leader: Gary Weathers

Storyteller: Carolyn Funk

Speaker: Christina Litwiller

Piano: David Van Tassel

9:00 a.m. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Upstairs fellowship room – all ages welcome

- Read *The Story* together – Chapter 12
- *The Trials of a King* – 2 Samuel 11-19; 1 Chronicles 22; 29

Basement – everyone welcome

- Study the Bible together – All Glory and Honor
- *Follow Me* – John 21:15-25

10:00 a.m. WORSHIP

The Story Review *Genesis - Judges*

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp

We light this lamp as a reminder of our calling to be peacemakers—in our homes, in our church, in our community, in our world.

Prelude

Opening Prayer

Hymnal 673

O God, author of eternal light,
lead us in our worshipping this day:
that our lips may praise you,
our lives may bless you,
and our meditations glorify you,
through Christ our Lord. Amen

Hymn

Come, thou Almighty King

Hymnal 41

Passing the Peace/Greeting Each Other

Storytelling

David Is Sorry

Scripture Video

The Trials of a King

2 Samuel 11-12; 18-19; 1 Chronicles 22; 29; Psalm 23; 32; 52

Hymn

The Lord's my shepherd

Hymnal 578

Sermon

Flawed Characters

Hymn

Breath on me, breath of God

Hymnal 356

Sharing Our Lives/Congregational Prayer

You are invited to share joys, concerns, and other things that are on your heart.

Offering

Offering Response *With joy, O God, we give to you* (Tune: Hymnal 46)

*With joy, O God, we give to you our tithes and offerings;
We ask that you would make the most of these material things.
Beyond ourselves, beyond these walls, let all our gifts expand.
Make us a witness to the world, a blessing of your hand.*

Hymn

The peace of the earth be with you

Sing the Journey 77

The Lord's Prayer

Pray using the words "sins" and "those who sin against us."

Benediction

Third Sunday Potluck follows worship in the fellowship room.

Churchwide Prayer Requests

Pray for youth pastors gathering for a retreat next weekend in Hesston, KS, sponsored by WDC and South Central Conference. **Nancy Frey and Bruce Yoder of Mennonite Mission Network** ask for prayer for peace in Burkina Faso. They write: “We feel safe, but are aware that periodic violence has become part of life. We try to be prepared for the unexpected.” Pray for the witness of Mennonite churches as they follow the Prince of Peace.

Bethel College, North Newton, Kansas: Pray for alumna Jalane Schmidt, actively involved in organizing against the white supremacist and alt-right groups targeting Charlottesville, Virginia, as she speaks several times on the Bethel campus today and tomorrow.

Pray for Sue Park-Hur as she begins her new role as denominational minister for Leadership Development. She joined the Mennonite Church USA Executive Board staff on March 19, 2018.

Journey International: Pray for Quinn Kathrineberg, Karina Brandt, and Shannon Schrock as they live and work in Ecuador. Read Quinn’s blog at <https://quinnkberg.wixsite.com/quinninquito>.

NEXT SUNDAY, April 22, 2018

9:00 a.m. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Upstairs fellowship room – all ages welcome

- Read *The Story* together.
- *Chapter 13: The King Who Had It All*

Basement — everyone welcome

- Study the Bible together
- *The Lord God the Almighty* – Revelation 4:1-6, 8-11

10:00 a.m. WORSHIP

Theme: The King Who Had It All **Greeter:** Richard Burnett
Worship Leader: Pete Smucker **Storyteller:** Annelle Claassen
Speaker: Christina Litwiller **Piano:** Donna Burnett

Upcoming Events

April 18	Midweek Prayers @ Christina’s	7:15 p.m.
April 21	Salina Spring Spruce Up Day	
April 26	Church Board	5:45 p.m.
May 8	Worship Committee	7:15 p.m.

May 10	Circles of the Heartland Meal	5:30 p.m.
May 13	Celebration Sunday	
May 20	Quinn’s Ecuador Experience	9:00 a.m.
	SMC Founders’ Experience	10:00 a.m.
	Third Sunday Potluck	11:30 a.m.
	Ice Cream Social	TBA

Announcements

Midweek Prayers: A weekly Wednesday evening service is at 7:15 at Pastor Christina’s home. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Spring Spruce Up Day in Salina is April 21, 7:30-noon. Meet at the Friends of the River located on the corner of Walnut & 4th. This is an opportunity to work alongside others who care about our community. Projects include sculpture cleaning, trail clean-up, trash pick-up, rain barrel construction, and cleaning of the Salina Innovation Center.

Project Salina begins soon. We will be providing tuna again this year. We can purchase 44 cans for \$25.

Mennonite Central Committee Central States is proud to be a partner with KIPCOR for **Restorative Kansas: A Vision for Justice on April 19-20 at KIPCOR in North Newton, Kansas.** Register now to learn about restorative justice practices in schools, communities and workplaces. Come to learn about ways to engage in restorative justice practices and network with some of the premier restorative justice practitioners in the United States. For more information and to register go to <http://kipcor.org/event/restorative-justice-conference/>

The Pastor Wears a Skirt is Dorothy Nickel Friesen’s new book, just published. Dorothy is a previous conference pastor for the Western District Conference. StoryTellers of the Great Plains is sponsoring a Book Signing on Saturday, April 21, 2018, 10:00 – 11:30 at Bethel College Mennonite Church, North Newton, Kansas. More information on www.writinglink.org.

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