

Salina Mennonite Church

May 13, 2018

Celebration Sunday

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

Greeter: David Van Tassel

Worship Leader: Luke Van Tassel

Storyteller: Mike Mattson

Speaker: Christina Litwiller

Piano: Lori Schmidt

9:00 a.m. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Upstairs fellowship room – all ages welcome

- Review *The Story* together

Basement – everyone welcome

- Study the Bible together – Give Praise to God
- *Bringing Firstfruits* – Leviticus 23:9-14, 22

10:00 a.m. WORSHIP

Gathering Song

Rain Down

Sing the Journey 49

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

To God Be the Glory

arr. John Carter

Gathering Words

Leader: Sing to the Lord a new song

People: for God has done marvelous things.

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord

People: for God's steadfast love is forever.

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord

People: for Christ calls us servants no longer, but friends!

All: We come and worship the Lord in joy and thankfulness.

—Craig Neufeld, Rosthern, Saskatchewan

Hymn

I sing the mighty power of God

Hymnal 46

Passing the Peace/Greeting Each Other

Storytelling

Scripture

John 14:15-27

Pew Bible 877

Hymn

God of our life

Hymnal 486

Sermon

Out of the Nest

Honoring our high school graduate

Tasha Gleysteen

recognition by Annelie Claassen

Prayer of Blessing

May God bless you in this season of transition
and grant you wisdom to perceive the path of integrity.

May Christ befriend you

and bring you relationships to feed your soul.

May the Spirit go before you and guard your future

so that you might know mercy in trouble,

blessings in the ordinary, and faith in all things. Amen.

—From *Words for Worship 2*, edited by Diane Zaerr Brenneman,
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Hymn

Lord Jesus, you shall be my song

Sing the Journey 14

Sharing Our Lives/Congregational Prayer

How have you experienced joy and God's love this week?

Where have you seen the need for God's peace this week?

Offering

Here I Am, Lord

arr. Mark Hayes

Offering Response

We give thee but thine own, vv. 1&2

Hymnal 384

Hymn

My hope is built on nothing less

Hymnal 343

The Lord's Prayer

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

Benediction

Continue the celebration after worship in the fellowship room.

Churchwide Prayer Requests

From WDC & MCUSA: Pray for WDC member Glen Guyton from San Antonio, TX, as he begins in his new role as Executive Director of Mennonite Church USA.

From MMN: Mennonites in Venezuela teach peacemaking in the Caracas school system. Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for the more than 500 children, 68 teachers, and 30 administrators who received this training. May they practice these skills to make a difference in their communities.

From MEA: Mennonite Early Childhood Network: On this Mother's Day pray especially for single mothers who have to work to provide for their families, often earning 20 percent less than men with equivalent education and experience.

Journey International: Pray for Quinn Kathrineberg as she travels to the US from Ecuador and prepares for her move to Memphis.

NEXT SUNDAY, May 20, 2018

9:00 a.m. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Quinn Kathrineberg will talk about her experiences in Ecuador with Journey International.

10:00 a.m. WORSHIP

Greeter: David Van Tassel **Worship Leader:** Tom Claassen

Storyteller: Christina Litwiller **Piano:** David Van Tassel

Speakers: Ted Hale, Mark & Sherry Krehbiel, Ted & Vera Zerger

Third Sunday Potluck follows worship May 20.

Upcoming Events

May 16	Midweek Prayers @ Christina's	7:15 p.m.
May 24	Church Board	5:45 p.m.
June 2	Painting Day	9:00 a.m.
June 17	Third Sunday Potluck	11:30 a.m.
June 24	Congregational Meeting	11:30 a.m.

Neighborhood Ice Cream Social

The neighborhood ice cream social is next Sunday, May 20, at 6:00 p.m. Please sign up to bring ice cream, toppings and/or cookies. Use the postcards and fliers to invite neighbors and friends to attend.

Announcements

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

Project Salina 2018: Project Salina's mission is to collect food for distribution through five Salina agencies to those in crisis. We are collecting tuna and monetary donations through May 31. A \$25 contribution purchases 44 cans.

40th Anniversary: You're invited to join Manhattan (KS) Mennonite Church in celebrating their 40th anniversary on June 2-3. The celebration begins on Saturday, June 2 with an ice cream social at 7 pm. It continues with special events starting at 9:30 am on Sunday, June 3 - including worship at 10:45 followed by a meal and time for sharing. Anyone interested in attending is invited to let us know by May 18 at: office@manhattanmennonitechurch.org or 785-539-4079. More information at: manhattanmennonitechurch.org

Explore Kansas: Hesston College alumni and friends are invited to take part in a relaxing day of art, commerce, history, cuisine, architecture, culture and more at the college's annual Explore Kansas! trip, **Saturday, June 2**. The 2018 excursion will venture slightly beyond the state lines with stops at destinations in both northern Kansas and southern Nebraska. Go to hesston.edu/explore-kansas for more information. The cost for the trip is \$95 per person. Reservations encouraged ASAP, and no later than Friday, May 25. To register, call 620-327-8147 or 866-437-7866.

Kansas Active Shooter Mitigation Training: Tuesday, June 5, 6-7:30 pm, Trinity Lutheran Church, 9th & Crawford, presented by Trooper Ben Gardner of the Kansas Highway Patrol. Learn how to foster a culture of readiness and awareness in the event of an active shooter. Call the church at 785-823-7151 for more information.

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