

Salina Mennonite Church

May 27, 2018

The Story: Chapter Sixteen

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

Greeter: Leadell Ediger

Worship Leader: Lori Schmidt

Storyteller: Pete Smucker

Speaker: Christina Litwiller

Piano: Donna Burnett

9:00 a.m. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Upstairs fellowship room – all ages welcome

- Read *The Story* together – Chapter 16
- *The Beginning of the End* – Selections from 2 Kings & Isaiah

Basement – everyone welcome

- Study the Bible together – Give Praise to God
- *Rejoicing in Restoration* – Psalm 34:1-10; Hebrews 2:17-18

10:00 a.m. WORSHIP

Gathering Song *Know that God is Good/Mungu ni mwema*

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

Gathering Words

Leader: Glory and strength be to God, creator of heaven and earth!

People: Praise be to God!

Leader: God speaks over mighty waters,
over great oceans and small creeks,
still lakes and shallow pools.

People: Praise be to God!

Leader: God speaks over tall cedars,
over trees sprouting from cracks in the sidewalk,
over orchards ripe with sweet fruit.

People: Praise be to God!

Leader: God speaks over flames of fire,
over bread baking in the hearth,
over the burning that refreshes the prairies.

**All: Thanks be to God, who blesses
and gives strength to all people!**

Kate Friesen Kempf, Goshen, Indiana

Hymn

Sing Praise to God who Reigns

Hymnal 59

Passing the Peace/Greeting Each Other

Storytelling

Messages from God

Scripture Video

The Beginning of the End (of the Kingdom of Israel)
2 Kings 17-19; Isaiah 3; 5; 13-14; 49; 53

Hymn

I am weak, and I need Thy Strength

Hymnal 553

Sermon

SENT: Away or Out?

Sabbatical Commissioning for Pastor Christina

Hymn

Here I am, Lord

Hymnal 395

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

Offering Response

We give thee but thine own, vv. 1&2 Hymnal 384

Hymn

The Lord lift you up

Sing the Journey 73

The Lord's Prayer

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

Benediction

Churchwide Prayer Requests

From WDC & MCUSA: Pray for God's wisdom for WDC's Gifts Discernment Committee as they seek nominees for leadership positions in WDC.

From MMN: Diana Cruz and Felipe Preciado, serving with Mennonite Mission Network, are on their way to *La Casa Grande* children's village in Benin. Pray for them as they transition from their life in Colombia and participate in orientation in the United States and Spain in the coming weeks.

From MEA: Bethany Christian Schools, Goshen, Indiana: Pray for seniors at Bethany Christian High School as they prepare for graduation today and decide the next step in their lives. May they choose in light of God's calling.

NEXT SUNDAY, June 3, 2018

9:00 a.m. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Upstairs fellowship room – all ages welcome

- Read *The Story* together.
- *Chapter 16*

Basement — everyone welcome

- Study the Bible together
- Justice and Sabbath Laws-Matthew 12:1-14

10:00 a.m. WORSHIP

Greeter: Richard Burnett

Worship Leader: Annelle Claassen **Storyteller:** Lois Newcomer

Speaker: Pete Emery

Piano: Donna Burnett

Upcoming Events

.June 1	Cookout at Claassens	6:00 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.
June 28	Church Board	5:45 p.m.
July 27-29	WDC Annual Assembly	

Announcements

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.

Join the upcoming MCC Haiti learning tour from September 22nd to 29th. Learn from Haitian farmers, artisans, community organizers and human rights advocates about how they – with your support – are building a brighter future for their communities. Limited spots are available, registration closes June 20th. Contact Jordan Penner at jordanpenner@mcc.org or 316-727-6837 for more information.

MCC has recently reviewed feedback from our partners around the world and some changes have been made to the guidelines for new comforters that we're sharing with you:

https://mcc.org/sites/mcc.org/files/media/common/documents/2017-10-04_comforter_making_guideline_us.pdf. If you have questions or concerns please contact Kate Mast in the MCC Central States Material Resources Center in North Newton, KS: katemast@mcc.org 316.283.2720.

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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