

# Salina Mennonite Church

September 16, 2018

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

**Greeter:** Ted Hale

**Worship Leader:** Mark Krehbiel

**Storyteller:** Sherry Krehbiel

**Speaker:** Christina Litwiller

**Piano:** Lori Schmidt

## 9:00 a.m. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Upstairs fellowship room – all ages welcome

➤ Discuss *The Journey Forward: Pathways*

○ *Theme 1: Identity & Context*

○ *Session 1.3: Restoration and Commitment*

## 10:00 a.m. WORSHIP

**Gathering Song**

*He came down*

Sing the Journey 31

**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**

*This Little Light of Mine*

arr. Calvin Taylor

**Call to Worship**

Leader: Come, people of God, and worship the Christ.  
Once we were separated from him,  
aliens and strangers who did not belong,  
without hope and without God in the world.  
Once we loved darkness rather than light.  
Once we could not sing the Lord's song.

**People: But now we are joined with Christ,  
brought near through his blood,  
for He is our peace.**

**Now we who lived in darkness  
have come into the light.**

**Now we who could not sing  
have been given a new song.**

**ALL: Let us give thanks to God!  
Let us worship the Christ!**

—Marlene Kropf, Elkhart, Ind. Based on Eph. 2:12-13; John 3:19; Ps. 137  
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**Hymn**

*We sing to you, O God*

Sing the Journey 1

**Passing the Peace/Greeting Each Other**

**Storytelling**

**Hymn**

*This little light of mine*

Hymnal 401

**Scripture**

*Galatians 1:10-17*

Pew Bible 945

*Ephesians 3:1-13*

Pew Bible 950

**Sermon**

*The World of Paul*

**Hymn**

*Guide my feet*

Hymnal 546

**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**

*Praise God from whom*

Hymnal 119A

**Hymn**

*Will you come and follow me*

Sing the Story 39

**The Lord's Prayer**

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

**Benediction**

**We are distributing cookout invitations to our church neighbors  
after worship. Everyone is invited to assist with this project.**

## Local Prayer Requests

### Churchwide Prayer Requests

Pray for church planters in WDC, as they seek to nurture the seeds of new communities of faith.

**Brian and Noelia Fox and their daughters**, serving with Mennonite Mission Network, are beginning another school year in Spain. Pray for the girls as they relate to classmates, and for Brian and Noelia as they work with parents and students in the English school they established.

**Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Indiana:** Give thanks for AMBS students and teaching faculty members as they begin a new semester together. Ask God to bless their study, worship and fellowship.

**From MCUSA:** Pray for the Worship Planning Committee as they meet in Kansas City on September 21-23 to plan worship for MennoCon19.

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**NEXT SUNDAY, September 23, 2018**

**9:00 a.m. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

Upstairs fellowship room – all ages welcome

- Discuss *The Journey Forward: Pathways* together
  - Theme 2: Follow Jesus
  - Session 2.1: Radical Christian Discipleship

**10:00 a.m. WORSHIP**

**Greeter:** Lois Newcomer

**Worship Leader:** Ted Zerger

**Storyteller:** Butch Stucky

**Speaker:** Christina Litwiller

**Piano:** Donna Burnett

**A congregational meeting follows worship September 23.**

### Pastor Christina's Schedule This Week

**Office Hours:** 9:00-12:00 Tuesday – Friday

Available other times by text, phone, or email

### Upcoming Events

Sept. 23	Congregational Meeting	11:30 a.m.
Sept. 27	Church Board	5:45 p.m.
Oct. 2	Worship Committee	7:15 p.m.
Oct. 20	Hayrack Ride/Wiener Roast @ Stuckys'	4:00 p.m.
Oct. 21	Third Sunday Potluck	11:30 a.m.

### Backyard Cookout

Our annual cookout is tonight, September 16, at 6:00 p.m.

- Setup begins at 5:00
- Meat, buns, beans, table service, and drinks are provided.
- Bring side dishes or desserts.

### Congregational Meeting

Agenda for the September 23 congregational meeting includes:

- Committee/coordinator reports
- Sabbatical report from Pastor Christina
- Looking ahead to 2019 – Organization & budget

## Announcements

**Journey Forward:** Mennonite Church USA's Journey Forward seeks to renew our local and denomination-wide identity and affirm our core beliefs as we live out the mission to which God calls us.

*Please join the Pathways discussion at 9:00 each Sunday from September through November.*

**As part of WDC's Year of Evangelism,** join brothers and sisters in Christ for: *Telling the Jesus Story*, a seminar focused on testimony, to be held October 26-27 at Iglesia Luz del Evangelio in Dallas TX. Keynote speaker: John Garland, pastor of San Antonio Mennonite Church. A van from the Newton, KS area is an option. More information and registration at: [mennowdc.org/year-of-evangelism/](http://mennowdc.org/year-of-evangelism/)

**From MCC:** The worst monsoon flooding in a century has damaged roads, homes and sources of income for hundreds of thousands of people in the Kerala state of India. Mennonite Central Committee is working with Gilgal Mission Trust in India to provide tarps, food baskets, cooking utensils, and cleaning and hygiene items. Donations to support the response can be given online at [mcc.org/india-flooding](http://mcc.org/india-flooding); by phone at 888-563-4676; or by mail to MCC U.S., 21 S. 12th St., PO Box 500, Akron, PA 17501.

**See the World-Famous Oberammergau Passion Play** in Bavaria, Germany in 2020. Join tour host Pastor Weldon Martens of Grace Hill Mennonite Church on a ten-day tour to Germany, France, and Switzerland, August 15-25, 2020. The *Passion Play* first held in 1634 is held every ten years. We will see the Swiss Alps, the Black Forest, German Castles, and enjoy a Rhine River Cruise. See the tour brochure and register at [www.travelwithweldon.com](http://www.travelwithweldon.com) or contact Pastor Weldon at [weldon.martens@gmail.com](mailto:weldon.martens@gmail.com) or 402-202-9276.

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