

**Salina Mennonite Church**  
**September 30, 2018**  
***The Story: Chapter Thirty-One***

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

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**Greeter:** Tracie Smucker  
**Worship Leader:** Vera Zerger      **Storyteller:** Gary Weathers  
**Speaker:** Christina Litwiller      **Piano:** Lori Schmidt

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

Upstairs fellowship room – all ages welcome

- Discuss *The Journey Forward: Pathways*
  - *Theme 2: Follow Jesus*
  - *Session 2.2: Anabaptist Understandings of Scripture*

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

**Song**      *I want to walk as a child of the light*      Sing the Journey 95

**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**      *Holy, Holy, Holy*      arr. Eugenie Rocherolle

**Gathering Words**

**Leader:** Let us gather with the faithful  
from every nation, race, people, and language,  
to worship the God made known to us in Jesus Christ.

**People:** **To God, the ruler of the universe,  
and to Jesus the Lamb be blessing and honor,  
glory and might forever and ever.**

**Leader:** Let us gather in God's presence,  
singing songs of praise and joy,  
with the people of God in every place and time.

**People:** **Holy, holy, holy, great God of Hosts!**  
**The whole earth is full of God's glory.**  
**Glory be to God most high.**

—Ruth C. Duck, *Flames of the Spirit* (Cleveland: Pilgrim Press, 1985), 58 (adapted  
Based on Rev. 7:9; 4:8; 5:12; Isa. 6:3  
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**Hymn**      *Holy God, we praise thy name*      Hymnal 121

**Passing the Peace/Greeting Each Other**

**Storytelling**      *God's Servant*

**Scripture Video**      *The End of Time*      Revelation 1-5; 19-22

**Hymn**      *Jesus shall reign*      Hymnal 319

**Sermon**      *Allegiance*

**Hymn**      *When peace like a river*      Hymnal 336

**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**      *It Is Well with My Soul*      arr. Cindy Berry

**Offering Response**      *Praise God from whom*      Hymnal 119A

**Hymn**      *Shall we gather at the river*      Hymnal 615

**The Lord's Prayer**

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

**Benediction**

## Churchwide Prayer Requests

Give thanks for the WDC Resource Library, and pray that it would be a source of inspiration, growth and learning throughout the conference.

**Mennonite Mission Network's Service Adventure unit** in Anchorage, Alaska, is made up of Brayden Thomas, Jasmin Tente, Jessica Porr, Max Janzen, and leader Monica Miller. Pray for them as they help expand the ministry of Prince of Peace Mennonite Church.

**Quakertown (Pennsylvania) Christian School:** Pray for the new school year; that students, families, teachers and staff would be blessed and feel God's presence every day.

**Prayer for the upcoming MCUSA Women Doing Theology, Nov. 8-10, 2018:** MC USA's Women in Leadership will build upon previous work as Anabaptist theologians, ministers, teachers, activists, creatives and many others do theological work born out of women's experiences. More info at <http://mennoniteusa.org/wdt18>.

## NEXT SUNDAY, October 7, 2018

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

Upstairs fellowship room – all ages welcome

- Discuss *The Journey Forward: Pathways together*
  - Theme 2: Follow Jesus
  - Session 2.3: Baptism in the Believers Church

### 10:00 a.m. WORSHIP

**Greeter:** Lori Schmidt

**Worship Leader:** Gary Weathers

**Storyteller:** Annelle Claassen

**Speaker:** Christina Litwiller

**Piano:** Donna Burnett

**Communion will be served during worship October 7.**

## Pastor Christina's Schedule This Week

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

Available other times by text, phone, or email

## Upcoming Events

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.
Oct. 18	Church Board	5:45 p.m.

## Announcements

**The West Zion Mennonite Church Concert Series** continues with an event on October 7 at 7 pm. Featured performers for this concert include the following: Josué & Diego Dick, violinists; Open Road, a men's capella vocal ensemble from Bethel College; the Sunflower Trio, made up of Matthew Schloneger, tenor, Rebecca Schloneger, violin, and Ken Rodgers, keyboard; Ken Rodgers, organ; and Donna Stucky, piano. There is no admission charged for the concert; however, a free-will offering will be received. After the concert, refreshments will be served. West Zion Mennonite Church is located at 101 South Washington Avenue in Moundridge, KS.

**Join MCC and Bethel College in the Loss of Turtle Island** as an alternative way to recognize Columbus Day on Monday, October 8 at 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Bethel College's Memorial Hall in North Newton, Kansas. This participatory experience depicts the historic relationship between European settlers – including Mennonites – and the Indigenous nations, the original inhabitants, of the land we now call the United States of America. This event is free and open to the public. Questions, contact [karinkauffmanwall@mcc.org](mailto:karinkauffmanwall@mcc.org).

**Comforter Mini Blitz – October 12 & 13:** If you can tie a knot, you can tie a comforter! Come and join in the fun at this relaxed, come-and-go event at the MCC Material Resources Center in North Newton. Details on poster in the entryway or online at [www.mcc.org/comforter-mini-blitz](http://www.mcc.org/comforter-mini-blitz).

**The annual Empty Bowls Fundraising Dinner** is on October 21<sup>st</sup> from 5pm to 7pm at First Covenant Church, 2625 E. Magnolia. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$5 for children ages 4-12 and free for kids under 4. Walk-ins are welcome but it is recommended that tickets be purchased in advance. Contact the Food Bank at 785/827-7111 for tickets. The dinner includes your choice of chili, chicken noodle or potato soup and a variety of desserts!

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