

Salina Mennonite Church

February 17, 2019

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

Greeter: Amanda Ediger
Worship Leader: Kristin Van Tassel **Storyteller:** Tom Claassen
Speaker: Melanie Springer Mock **Piano:** Donna Burnett

9:00 a.m. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Upstairs – Book Study

- *Soul Tending* by Anita Amstutz
- Chapter 3 – Creation as a Sabbath Companion

Downstairs – Bible Study

- Love Songs That Glorify God
- *Praising God's Mighty Works* – Psalm 66:1-9, 16-20

10:00 a.m. WORSHIP

Gathering Song *Jesus Calls Us Here* Sing the Journey 3

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 Prayer

Leader: Loving God, life of the universe,
People: we gather to worship you.
Leader: Great Creator, who formed us in your image,
People: we gather to worship you.
Leader: Holy Redeemer, who became flesh and lived among us,
People: we gather to worship you.
Leader: Sustaining Spirit, who breathes into us always
the holy breath of life.
ALL: together we gather to worship you. Amen.

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Hymn *Holy, Holy, Holy* Hymnal 75

Passing the Peace/Greeting Each Other

Storytelling

Hymn *Come, Thou Fount* Hymnal 521

Scripture *Luke 6:17-26* Pew Bible 838

Sermon *What's the Matter With Being Blessed?*

Hymn *I Was There* Sing the Journey 89

Sharing Our Lives/ Congregational Prayer

*You are invited to share joys and concerns, reflections on today's
service, as well as stories of your faith journey.*

My Coins Count Collection

This money is given to MCC for service projects around the world.

Offering

Offering Response *Praise God from whom* Hymnal 119B

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
in heav'n above and earth below;
one God three persons we adore.
To God be praise for evermore. Amen*

Hymn *May God Grant You a Blessing* Hymnal 422

The Lord's Prayer

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

Benediction

We extend welcome and gratitude to our guest speaker. Melanie Springer Mock teaches English at George Fox University. She is the author of *Worthy: Finding Yourself in a World Expecting Someone Else* published by Herald Press in 2018.

Third Sunday Potluck follows worship in the fellowship room.

Churchwide Prayer Requests

Pray for the WDC Church Planting Commission as they meet this week to work on guidelines for church planting, and for Byron Pellecer, WDC Associate Conference Minister who provides coaching and mentoring for church planters.

Diana Cruz and Felipe Preciado of Mennonite Mission Network are serving at *La Casa Grande* children's home in Benin. Pray for good health and open hearts as Diana and Felipe teach English, assist with gardening, and share God's love with each child.

Lancaster (Pennsylvania) Mennonite School: Faculty at LMS will be participating in a staff development day tomorrow. Pray for a good day of learning and faculty interaction as they work together to ensure meaningful learning experiences for their students.

Pray for Illinois Mennonite Conference as they hold their annual business meeting at Menno Haven Camp and Retreat Center on Saturday, Feb. 23.

NEXT SUNDAY, February 24, 2019

9:00 a.m. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Upstairs – Book Study

- *Soul Tending* by Anita Amstutz
- Chapter 4 – Sabbath Hospitality

Downstairs – Bible Study

- Love Songs That Glorify God
- *Living with God's Mighty Assurance* – Psalm 91

10:00 a.m. WORSHIP

Greeter: Miles Weathers

Worship Leader: Pete Smucker

Storyteller: Mike Mattson

Speaker: Christina Litwiller

Music: Lori Schmidt

Pastor Christina's Schedule

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

This schedule may vary. Check first before stopping by.

Upcoming Events

March 9	The Gospelaire Concert	5:00 p.m.
	Soup Supper after the Concert	6:30 p.m.
March 17	Third Sunday Potluck	11:30 a.m.

Announcements

The Gospelaire Concert and Soup Supper: We are hosting this event on Saturday, March 9, at 5:00. Some ways to help include:

- Publicity
 - Invite your friends to attend the concert
 - Sign up to help put up posters around town
- Supper
 - Volunteer to be part of the planning group
 - Help provide food

MCC's Sharing With Appalachia People (SWAP) program is seeking volunteer groups to work in Kentucky or West Virginia this summer. The assignment is one week serving with this home repair ministry while learning about life in Appalachia. Let Pastor Christina know if you would be interested in being part of a group from our church serving with SWAP this summer

New resources are available for exploring and engaging with MC USA's structure. Read MC USA Executive Director Glen Guyton's three-part series on "The Little Green Dove" at

<http://mennoniteusa.org/littlegreendove> and watch the new video series at mennoniteusa.org/polityvideoserries.

Read about the work that has taken place in Ohio Mennonite Conference around healing, a missional focus and a new sense of hopefulness at mennoniteusa.org/newhopeohioconference.

Get ready for the Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale, a benefit for Mennonite Central Committee, April 12 & 13 at the Kan.

Fairgrounds in Hutch. What can you bring as your gift to the hungry and hurting at home and abroad? Quality woodwork and needlework items, cotton tea towels, hobby items, crafts, plants and baked foods are much in demand.

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