

Salina Mennonite Church

March 3, 2019

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

Greeter: Lori Schmidt **Worship Leader:** Christina Litwiller
Speaker: Patty Shelly **Piano:** Donna Burnett

9:00 a.m. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Upstairs – Book Study

- *Soul Tending* by Anita Amstutz
- Chapter 5 – Cultivating Joy

Downstairs – Bible Study

- Call to Discipleship
- *Called to Humility and Hospitality* – Luke 14:7-14

10:00 a.m. WORSHIP

Gathering Song *Jesus, Be the Center* Sing the Story 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

Gathering Prayer

Leader: Creating God, we bring to you our praise.

People: We give thanks for the bounty of earth, sea, and sky.

Leader: We hold before you our joy and entrust to you our sorrow.

People: We are yours and made in your image.

Leader: Open us to the movement of your Spirit in and among us.

People: Comfort us. Disturb us.

Leader: Enlighten us. Ignite us.

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*All: Continue your creating ways in us and through us,
that your glory may be comprehended
and your love made visible.*

In the name of your Son, our Savior, we pray. Amen.

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Hymn *From All That Dwell Below the Skies* Hymnal 48

Passing the Peace/Greeting Each Other

Storytelling

Scripture *John 8:1-11* Pew Bible 870

Hymn *Where Charity and Love Prevail* Hymnal 305

Sermon *The Stones in Our Hearts*

Hymn *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* Hymnal 145

Sharing Our Lives/ Congregational Prayer

My Coins Count Collection

Offering

Offering Response *Lord of All Good* Sing the Journey 60

Hymn *Let There Be Light, Lord God* Sing the Journey 67

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. Patricia Shelly is professor of Bible and religion at Bethel College. She is an active member of Bethel College Mennonite Church.

Churchwide Prayer Requests

From WDC: Pray for Hispanic pastors in WDC as they gather for a retreat next weekend in Texas.

From MMN: Eric and Kelly Frey Martin are traveling from Colombia to Ecuador to join Mennonite Mission Network personnel for a retreat. Pray for a time of meaningful worship and renewal as long-term and short-term workers share experiences to equip them for continued ministry.

Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Virginia: Pray for students who are serving and learning during spring break with Y-Serve, the longest running student organization at EMU. They'll be serving Florida, Puerto Rico, Georgia, D.C. and West Virginia.

From MCUSA: Pray for Ohio Conference as they meet for their Annual Conference Assembly, March 8-9, in Kidron, Ohio.

NEXT SUNDAY, March 10, 2019

9:00 a.m. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Upstairs – Book Study

- *Soul Tending* by Anita Amstutz
- Chapter 6 – Reimagining Work

Downstairs – Bible Study

- Call to Discipleship
- *Counting the Cost* – Mark 1:16-20; Luke 14:25-33

10:00 a.m. WORSHIP

Greeter: Barb Kathrineberg

Worship Leader: Ted or Vera

Story: Leadell or Annelle

Speaker: Christina Litwiller

Music: Lori Schmidt

A congregational meeting follows worship March 10.

Upcoming Events

March 5	Worship Committee @ Zergers	7:15 p.m.
March 9	The Gospelaire Concert	5:00 p.m.
	Soup Supper after the Concert	6:30 p.m.
March 10	Congregational Meeting	11:30 a.m.
March 17	Third Sunday Potluck	11:30 a.m.
March 28	Church Board	4:00 p.m.

Announcements

The Gospelaire Concert and Soup Supper: We are hosting this event on Saturday, March 9, at 5:00. Your help is needed with:

- Publicity: Invite your friends to attend the concert.
- Supper: Sign up to provide food.

Women's Spring Supper: All women are invited to the Western District Women in Mission Spring Supper on Thursday, March 21 at First Mennonite Church in McPherson. Speaker: Sheryl Wilson, Executive Director of KIPCOR. Check your email for more information. Let Pastor Christina know if you wish to attend.

Beating Guns: Social justice activist, speaker and author, Shane Claiborne, and blacksmith, Mike Martin, will make Hesston College one of their stops on the 37-city "Beating Guns" tour at 7 p.m., Thursday, March 21, at Hesston Mennonite Church on the Hesston College campus. Inspired by the biblical prophets' call to "beat swords into plowshares," the free 90-minute event weaves music, art, and stories of people impacted by gun violence as a gun is transformed into a garden tool. Those planning to attend are asked to register for free at hesston.edu/beating-guns. As a prelude to the tour, Claiborne and Martin's book, *Beating Guns: Hope for People Who are Weary of Violence*, will be available for purchase on March 5 through major booksellers.

Ashby House Donations: We are collecting items for Ashby House through March 24 when Andy Houlberg will be our guest speaker. Check out their wish list at www.ashbyhouse.org.

In a new "Learn, Pray, Join" initiative running through April, MC USA will highlight the work of planting peace churches taking place in collaboration with Mennonite Mission Network. Visit mennoniteusa.org/news/mennonite-church-usa-to-focus-on-planting-new-peace-churches to learn more.

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