



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

## July 14, 2019

**Greeters:** Amanda & Aaron Ediger

**Worship Leader:** Annelle Claassen

**Speaker:** Christina Litwiller

**Storyteller:** Butch Stucky

**Piano:** Lori Schmidt

**Gathering**                      *Open My Eyes*                      Sing the Story 65

### 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**                      *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*                      arr. Cindy Berry

### Call to Worship

Leader: People of God, we gather here to celebrate the Holy One in whose image we are created, male and female. Our God is quick to show compassion, rejoices in justice, and delights in right relationship.

**People: We believe that we are created in God's image.**

Leader: Children of God, we celebrate the goodness of our Creator's hand. Like a patient artist, God has crafted all life forms,

all humanity in all shades of skin, all ages, all kinds of ability, to share in the joys of this world.

**People: We are in awe that we are created in God's image.**

Leader: Beloved children of God, we recall that God mourns over the Pain that we cause one another. Violence, broken relationship, abuse, and estrangement grieve God's heart.

**People: We remember that we are created in God's image.**

Leader: We gather to celebrate the Holy One in whose image we are made.

**People: We gather to form our lives to bear God's image.**

**Hymn**                      *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*                      Hymnal 71

### Passing the Peace/Greeting Each Other

### Storytelling

**Hymn**                      *Help Us to Help Each Other*                      Hymnal 362

**Sermon**                      *Created for Intimacy*  
**Scripture**                      *The Story of Ruth & Naomi*                      Pew Bible 210

**Hymn**                      *Will You Let Me Be Your Servant*                      Hymnal 307

### 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.*

**Offering**                      *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*                      arr. Gail Smith

**Offering Response**                      *Grant Us, Lord, the Grace*                      Hymnal 388

**Hymn**                      *Take My Life*                      Hymnal 389

### The Lord's Prayer

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

### Benediction

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## Churchwide Prayer Requests

**Western District Conference:** Pray for deacons, councils, boards and other leadership teams in WDC congregations who work with pastors to equip, guide, and care for our church communities.

**Mennonite Mission Network:** MMN has two Youth Venture teams currently in service. Pray for leader Jill Schlabach and participants in Benin, at *La Casa Grande*, a Christian home for more than 30 children, and for Katja Norton and participants tutoring blind students, working with preschool children, teaching English, and supporting Mennonite Diakonal Service in Indonesia.

**Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Virginia:** Pray for the youth who are on campus this summer for basketball, baseball, volleyball, and soccer camps.

**Mennonite Church USA:** Pray for MCUSA as they seek to hire two Communications positions, Communications Production Coordinator and Multimedia News Editor.

## NEXT SUNDAY, July 21, 2019

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

Upstairs – Book Study

- *Seek Peace & Pursue It: Women, Faith, and Family Care*

Downstairs – Bible Study

- *A Heartfelt Covenant – Jesus Teaches about Transforming Love*

### 10:00 a.m. WORSHIP

**Greeter:** Henry Walker

**Worship Leader:** Quinn Kathrineberg    **Storyteller:** Carolyn Funk

**Speaker:** Christina Litwiller    **Piano:** Lori Schmidt

**Third Sunday Potluck & banner making follow worship.**

## Upcoming Events

July 25	Church Board	4:00 pm
July 26-27	WDC Annual Assembly at Bethel College	
August 8	Thrive (Circles) of the Heartland Meal	5:30 pm
August 18	Third Sunday Potluck	11:30 am
Sept. 3	Worship Committee @ Zergers'	6:30 pm
Sept. 15	Backyard Cookout	5:00 pm
Sept. 22	Congregational Meeting	11:30 am
Oct. 26	Visioning Retreat	9:00 am–4:00 pm

## Pastor Christina's Schedule

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

This schedule may vary. Check first before stopping by.

Available most of the time by text, phone, or email

## Announcements

**Banner Making Party:** If you can trace, cut, or iron, you can help make our new banner. Join the party after potluck on July 21.

**Western District Conference Annual Assembly:** Friday evening's worship service at Bethel College Mennonite Church is open to non-registrants - anyone can come! Glen Guyton, Mennonite Church USA Executive Director will share about his transformation from a military man to a follower of the Prince of Peace. Glen will speak again at Saturday morning's worship service at 8:30 am. Special offerings for WDC Church Planting will be taken at these services.

**The WDC Resource Library will be OPEN,** Saturday, July 27 during Annual Assembly from 2:30-5:30pm. Everyone is invited (whether attending assembly or not) to stop by for a scoop of ice cream and to tour the library. It's also a great opportunity to check out the beautiful artwork on loan from WDC congregations!

**Family Festival:** As a wrap-up to WDC Annual Assembly, Saturday, July 27, 5:30-9 pm a festival of food, inflatables for the young and young of heart, and music is available. Invite your Central Kansas friends! See flyer in entryway for details.

**Mennonite Central Committee Immigration detainee care kits:** When people are released from immigration detention centers, they often have nothing more than the clothes on their backs. Kits containing clothing and hygiene products help to rebuild their dignity as they are taken to bus stations and airports to reconnect with their families in the US. Visit [mcc.org/immigrationkit](http://mcc.org/immigrationkit) for all the details of what goes into the kit and how the kits will be distributed. Bring items to church by July 28. Monetary donations will be used to purchase items to complete the kits.

2019	Attendance		Unified Budget	Other	Total
7/7	23		Rent \$750.00 \$2525.00	Special Needs Fund \$105.00	\$3380.00