



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

July 28, 2019

Greeter: Barb Kathrineberg

Worship Leader: Tom Claassen

Storyteller: Annelle Claassen

Speaker: Christina Litwiller

Piano: Donna Burnett

Gathering *Holy, Holy Holy* Hymnal 75

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 Words

(based on Psalm 42)

Leader: As the deer longs for flowing streams

People: **So our souls thirst for the living God**

Leader: Our desires and longings well up within us

People: **We pour out our souls to the One who knows us.**

Leader: Deep calls to deep. We are calling, we are listening.

People: **Let our worship, our work, our relationships, be holy expressions of your energy within us.**

ALL: **Thanks be to God, who fills us with life.**

Hymn *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* Hymnal 356

Passing the Peace/Greeting Each Other

Storytelling

Hymn *I Will Come to You in the Silence* Sing the Story 49

Scripture *From John 15 & 17; 1 John 4; Revelation 21 & 22*

Sermon *This Is Really about That*

Hymn *Loving Spirit* Sing the Journey 34

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

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

Hymn *For the Healing of the Nations* Hymnal 367

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: Give thanks for the Annual Assembly that took place this weekend on the theme "We are Witnesses." Pray that all WDC congregations and members will give witness to God's good news of healing, hope, justice and peace in Christ.

Mennonite Mission Network: MMN serves in Mongolia through JCS International, a consortium of mission agencies. Rejoice with Laura Schlabach, interim executive director, that the long search for a new executive director has borne fruit. Pray for the rapidly growing church in this country.

Bethel College, North Newton, Kansas: Pray for Bethel College staff who have been serving meals, running sound and taking care of logistics for the annual meeting of Western District Conference, that was held on campus this weekend.

Mennonite Church USA: Pray for Allegheny Mennonite Conference and Mountain States Mennonite Conference as they each hold their annual assemblies August 2-4.

NEXT SUNDAY, August 4, 2019

9:00 a.m. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Upstairs – Book Study

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

Downstairs – Bible Study

- *Covenant: A Personal Perspective – A Covenant between Friends*

10:00 a.m. WORSHIP

Greeter: Tracie Smucker

Worship Leader: Lori Schmidt

Storyteller: Pete Smucker

Speaker: Christina Litwiller

Piano: Donna Burnett

Upcoming Events

Aug. 2	Game Night	7:00 pm
Aug. 8	Thrive (Circles) of the Heartland Meal	5:30 pm
Aug. 18	Third Sunday Potluck	11:30 am
Aug. 28	Church Board @ Christina's	4:00 pm
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

Game Night: Bring yourself and some friends to a game night at church on Friday, August 2, beginning at 7:00 pm.

Thrive (Circles) of the Heartland Meal: We will serve the meal at 1st Presbyterian Church at 5:30 on Thursday, August 8. Listen for announcements about how you can help.

School Supplies: Now is a good time to begin stocking up.

➤ Blessing Box outside our building

Ticonderoga no. 2 pencils

Colored pencils

Crayola crayons – 8 count

70 page notebook

Notebook paper

Crayola washable markers

Ink pens

Puzzle or coloring books for kids or adults

➤ Cottonwood School

Expo Dry Erase Markers – pen size

Snacks – Cheerios, graham crackers, Cheez-Its, etc.

Sadie Gustafson-Zook will give a concert at First Mennonite Church in McPherson at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, July 30. Sadie is a versatile singer, multi-instrumentalist and songwriter. Visit her website at www.sadiegustafsonzook.com.

Sing for Joy, Sing for Camp! The annual Camp Sing is on August 11 at Hoffnungsau Mennonite Church in Inman, KS. Storytime is from 5:45pm - 6:05pm, followed by joyous singing at 6:30pm. After joyfully worshipping in camp songs and hymns, share in popcorn, pop and conversation. All are invited, whatever your age or skill!

MCC Lunch & Learn on August 15: Come hear from participants who recently went on the MCC South Texas Borderlands Learning Tour. Lunch is served at noon; the presentation will start shortly after. A suggested donation of \$10 is welcome to help cover the cost of lunch. RSVP by Monday, Aug. 12 to patsydirksen@mcc.org or 316.283.2720, MCC Central States, 121 E. 30th St., North Newton.

2019	Attendance	Unified Budget	Other	Total
7/21	38	\$2461.00	MCC Kits \$360.00	\$2821.00