



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

February 2, 2020

Greeter: Lynn Newcomer

Worship Leader: Vera Zerger

Speaker: Tammy Duvanel Unruh

Storyteller: Butch Stucky

Piano: Donna Burnett

Gathering *I Owe the Lord a Morning Song* Hymnal 651

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

Call to Worship (based on Psalm 118:24, 103)

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Leader: Again today we come together to worship—the God of creation, of salvation, of time and eternity.

The God of all peoples, of all nations, of all conditions of people everywhere.

People: Praise the Lord.

All that is within me, praise God's holy name.

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Leader: Praise the Lord and remember all his kindness:
in forgiving our sins;
in curing our diseases;
in saving us from destruction;
in surrounding us with love.

People: The Lord is full of mercy and compassion.

Leader: The Lord is slow to anger
and willing to give us gifts of love.

ALL: Praise the Lord!

Oh, praise the Lord, all that is within me.

—Roy Umble, From *Words for Worship*; used by permission of Herald Press

Hymn *Worship the Lord in the Beauty* Hymnal 220

Passing the Peace/Greeting Each Other

Storytelling

Hymn *Micah* Text & Music: Patricia Shelly

Sermon *Loving Mercy*

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

Sharing Our Lives/Congregational Prayer

My Coins Count *Money is given to MCC for projects around the world.*

Offering

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

Hymn *How Can I Say* Sing the Story 117

The Lord's Prayer

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

Benediction

We extend gratitude and welcome to our guest speaker. Given the ability to do anything she wanted to do, Tammy Duvanel Unruh would spend her life chatting with friends old and new in small coffee shops, singing or playing guitar around campfires, or coaching and teaching speech. She is the Debate and Forensics Coach at Moundridge High School, and is just beginning a term as the Youth Coordinator at First Mennonite Church in Newton. She calls herself a follower of Jesus, and has done ministry in camp settings as a camp pastor, director, music leader, and counselor.

Prayer Requests from Mennonite World Conference

Give thanks that Anabaptists around the world are united in faith in God's kingdom across language and cultural differences. Pray that MWC member churches who are suffering persecution and hardship may have courage and hope to persevere.

As we see escalating conflict between Iran and the United States following the killing of Iran's top general Qassem Soleimani, let us pray that both governments exercise restraint and focus on a peaceful resolution; that they would "not merely look out for their own personal interests, but also for the interests of others" (Philippians 2:4). The Spirit of Jesus empowers us to trust God in all areas of life so we become peacemakers who renounce violence, love our enemies, seek justice, and share our possessions with those in need.

NEXT SUNDAY, February 9, 2020

9:00 a.m. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Upstairs – Adult Book Study

- *Faith Travels* by Marlene Kropf – Pillar of Presence

Downstairs – Adult Bible Study

- *Jesus Teaches about True Worship* – Piety That Honors God

Downstairs – Children's Sunday school

10:00 a.m. WORSHIP

Greeter: Lee Walker

Worship Leader: Tom Claassen

Storyteller: Annelle Claassen

Speaker: Tammy Duvanel Unruh

Piano: Lori Schmidt

Pastor Christina's Schedule

Christina will be out of the office January 25-February 10. Contact Church Board members with questions and pastoral care concerns: Amanda Ediger, Annelle Claassen, Pete Smucker

Upcoming Events

Feb. 2	Super Bowl Party @ Newcomers'	4:30 pm
Feb. 13	Thrive of the Heartland Meal	5:30 pm
Feb. 16	Third Sunday Potluck	11:30 am
Feb. 18	Church Board	7:00 pm
Feb. 19	Worship Committee @ Zergers'	6:00 pm
Mar. 1	Congregational Meeting	11:30 am

Announcements

Souperbowl of Hope Collection: *Today is the last day to donate.* A \$25 donation buys 60 cans of soup.

Super Bowl Party: Today, *February 2*, Newcomers' home, 2538 Aberdeen Lane. Come any time after 4:30 pm. Pizza provided. Additional food is welcomed but not required. If you prefer not to watch football, bring games to play. (This serves as our February First Friday Game Night.)

Living More with More: Better understand your financial resources and philanthropy in terms of your goals and your faith for both you and your church at the 2020 Anabaptist Vision and Discipleship Series (AVDS) conference, February 21 to 23 at Hesston College. In partnership with Everence Financial, weekend presentations will focus on understanding your personal history with money and resources, careers, hospitality, finances, generosity, trauma and economic injustice, health and wellness and more. Register by February 10 at hesston.edu/avds.

Thrive of the Heartland Meal: We are providing the meal at 1st Presbyterian Church on Thursday, February 13, at 5:30 p.m. Sign up to provide food and/or serve the meal.

Mark your calendars now:

- **Thrive Meals:** Feb. 13, April 16, Oct. 8, Dec. 10
- **Congregational Meetings:** March 1, June 7, Aug. 30, Dec. 6

There's still time to sign up to join the Mennonite Mission Network Alumni & Friends Service-Learning Tour. From March 7-14, we will serve alongside our Service Adventure partners in Jackson, and our SOOP partners in Meridian and Mashulaville, MS. We will also be taking in Civil Rights experiences by hearing from an activist and going to the Mississippi Civil Rights Museum, as well as other sites. Email AlumniTrip@MennoniteMission.net for more information.

Bring the Peace: Read Lynda Hollinger-Janzen's blog, entitled "Plug into God's shocking peace," on the surprising results that come from receiving God's high-voltage peace that passes all understanding: <http://mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/plug-into-gods-shocking-peace/>