



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

February 23, 2020

Greeter: Lois Newcomer

Worship Leader: Kristin Van Tassel

Storyteller: Tom Claassen

Speaker: Christina Litwiller

Piano: Lori Schmidt

Gathering Song *Abre Mis Ojos (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 *Traveling On Medley* arr. Kathy Smith

Gathering Prayer Hymnal 680

Leader: God of all life,

People: We thank you

Leader: for the signs of your love that surround us,
for sun and warmth and all that comes to life
within creation,
for all that sleeps within the earth awaiting birth.

People: We praise you

Leader: for the wisdom of your care,
water on the earth,
sunlight on our spirits,
hands on blinded eyes.

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People: Continue to touch us.

Reach out to us with compassion and forgiveness

Leader: that we may receive your gifts,
that we may know your love and grace
and rise to new life in Jesus Christ.

ALL: Amen.

Hymn *All Praise to Our Redeeming Lord* Hymnal 21

Passing the Peace/Greeting Each Other

Storytelling

Scripture *Isaiah 19:18-25* Pew Bible 564

Hymn *Slowly Turning, Ever Turning* Sing the Journey 23

Sermon *Come Closer, Part 2*

Hymn *Obey My Voice* Hymnal 163

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

Offering *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* arr. Jack Schrader

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

Hymn *Go, My Children* Hymnal 433

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 church planters and emerging congregations in WDC, that God would bring growth to the seeds of faithful witness in their communities.

Mennonite Mission Network: Jae Young Lee and Karen Spicher and their family have served with MMN in South Korea since 2007. Pray for them as they work for God’s peace through organizations such as Korea Peacebuilding Institute and Northeast Asia Regional Peacebuilding Institute.

Bethel College, North Newton, Kansas and Hesston (Kansas) College: Tonight, the Bethel College and Hesston College choirs team up in a collaborative concert at a local church. Give thanks for strong relationships and partnerships between neighboring sister schools and that students can use their gifts to bless others.

Mennonite Church USA: Give thanks for Voices Together, a new worship and song collection coming fall 2020 from MennoMedia, in partnership with Mennonite Church USA and Mennonite Church Canada. This hymnal features songs and worship resources in over 40 languages.

NEXT SUNDAY, March 1, 2020

9:00 a.m. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Upstairs – Adult Book Study

- *Faith Travels* by Marlene Kropf – Receiving Guidance

Downstairs – Adult Bible Study

- *God Requires Justice* – Called to Accountability

Downstairs – Children’s Sunday school

10:00 a.m. WORSHIP

Greeter: Gary Weathers

Worship Leader: Richard Burnett **Storyteller:** Lois Newcomer

Speaker: Christina Litwiller **Piano:** Donna Burnett

A congregational meeting follows worship March 1.

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.

Upcoming Events

Feb. 25	Church Board	7:00 pm
Mar. 6	First Friday Game Night	7:00 pm
Mar. 15	Third Sunday Potluck	11:30 am

Announcements

Agenda items for March 1 congregational meeting include:

- Brief oral reports from committees & coordinators.
- Updates on visioning, gun policy discussion, and Living Hope Bible Methodist Church

Verenike Supper: First Mennonite Church, 427 W 4th in Halstead, KS, invites everyone to a verenike supper on February 29 from 4:30-7 pm. Donations go to church service trips and service projects.

MCC centennial celebration, Feb. 29 at 7:30 p.m. You’re invited to join MCC for an evening of centennial celebration and giving, at the Shari Flaming Center for the Arts at Tabor College in Hillsboro, Kansas. Bid on silent auction items, grab a reproduction Mennonite Feeding Station sign from our limited supply and join us for a program celebrating MCC’s past 100 years, present and future!

Camp Mennoscah's Hymn Sing and Dessert Auction: Everyone is invited to come to Tabor Mennonite Church, Newton KS, on March 1 from 4-6pm. Dessert auction will raise funds to renovate the amphitheater used for evening campfires.

You’re invited to join the fun at the 13th annual MCC Comforter Blitz on March 2, 3 and 4 at Journey Mennonite Church at the Yoder Campus, one mile north of Yoder, Kansas. Blitz times are Monday and Tuesday, 9:00am to 5:00pm, and Wednesday, 9:00am to 4:00pm. For more information check out mcc.org/comforter-blitz.

To All Women: Western District Women in Mission Spring Supper is Thursday, March 12 at Faith Mennonite Church, Newton. The meal starts at 6 pm. Our Special Guest Speaker is Patty Shelly, Professor of Bible and Religion at Bethel College. Reservations required by calling Darlene @ 316-323-9762 or emailing westerndistrictwomen@gmail.com. Cost is \$10, payable at the door.

2020	Attendance		Unified Budget	Other	Total
2/16	24		\$305.00	SouperBowl of Hope \$50.00	\$355.00