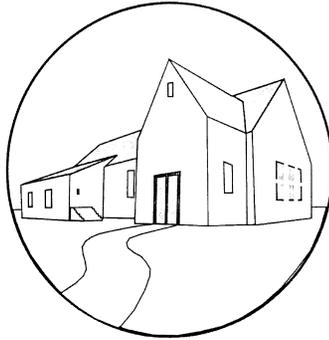


Salina Mennonite Church

A Congregation of Mennonite Church USA

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

August 30, 2020



At Home Worship Gathering

Hymn *My Faith Has Found a Resting Place* Sing the Journey 43
Congregation <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z5Jjf1awdfI>
Solo w/guitar <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LAVPXSschwQ>

Call to Worship

Leader: Whether you're young or old,
People: Come, let us worship our gracious God.
Leader: Whether you're healthy or sick,
People: Come, let us worship our gracious God.
Leader: Whether you're rich or poor,
People: Come, let us worship our gracious God.
Leader: Whether you're rested or exhausted,
People: Come, let us worship our gracious God.
Leader: Whether you're filled with righteous fury
or the peace of Christ,
People: Come, let us worship our gracious God together today.

Hymn *Jesus Has Done So Much for Me* Sing the Story 95
Choir <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e0O7mGs6ZLc>

Hearing God's Word

Storytelling *Is It Right to Fight?* by Pat Thomas
No video available
Jax's Tail Twitches by David Powlison
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gsiJvj-zriY>

Scripture *Confident Plea for Deliverance from Enemies* Psalm 4
NIV <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=91OIs7MaMPg>

Sermon *It's Like Fire!* Kathy Neufeld Dunn

Hymn *Jesus Christ Is Waiting* Sing the Journey 30
Song of Iona <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O6iIgzTu9P4>
With lyrics https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CSzEviUc_o

Responding

Name your Joys and Concerns
The Lord's Prayer

Hymn *Love the Lord Your God* Sing the Story 55
Different song with lyrics & motions
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wQP1dOdR9yc>

Offering *Support our budget by mailing contributions to the church.*

Hymn *Christ Is Alive* Sing the Story 89
Lori True <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fzmZhBQb2xs>

Benediction

*Let us celebrate the love of God.
Through God's gracious love we are transformed.
Pride has turned to humility.
Envy has been turned to kindness.
Greed to charity.
Lust has been overwhelmed with self-control.
Gluttony has been turned to contentment.
Sloth has become engagement.
Wrath has been overturned by the love of God.
Redeemed by God's grace, let us go from this place,
go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God! Amen.*

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Pastor Christina's Schedule

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

Sept 2	Worship Committee via Zoom	5:30 pm
Sept 2	Bible Study @ Zergers'	7:00 pm
Sept 3	Sharing & Prayer via Zoom	7:00 pm
Sept 4	First Friday Game Night via Zoom	7:00 pm
Sept 6	Hybrid In-Person/Zoom Worship	10:00 am
Sept 20	Third Sunday Backyard Fellowship	6:30 pm
Sept 22	Church Board	7:00 pm

Churchwide Prayer Requests

Western District Conference: Pray for God's wisdom and guidance for WDC as we seek to understand more deeply the structural racism of our own church life and history, and to be faithful to God's vision for justice in today's world.

Mennonite Mission Network: Thank God for how the youth of the Barcelona Mennonite community in Catalonia are flourishing in their spiritual growth despite pandemic restrictions. Pray for Alisha and Joshua Garber, serving with MMN, as they explore best practices to mentor and teach online.

Announcements

Backyard Fellowship: You are welcome to come to the church at 6:30 any Sunday night (unless it's raining). Bring a lawn chair, mask, and insect repellent and join the conversation.

Sharing & Prayer resumes on Thursday, September 3. Let Pastor Christina know ASAP if you want a copy of *Addiction Nation*. This book will be the basis of our discussion the first part of each evening. You are welcome to join even if you haven't read the book. There are additional library copies of the book available to read even if you don't join the discussion.

School Supplies Needed: We are collecting paper, spiral notebooks, erasers, and Ticonderoga pencils to distribute to neighborhood children through our Blessing Box. Contact Gary Weathers for info.

MCC reports that there is a desperate need for school kits.

We are taking on a school kit project during September. Bring completed kits (or kit contents) to the church by September 27. We welcome the donation of kit bags using instructions at <https://mcc.org/get-involved/kits/bag>. Note the changes to the list of school kit contents (NEW items only):

- 4 spiral or perforated-pages notebooks (8.5"x10.5", 70 sheets)
- 8 new unsharpened pencils
- 1 ruler (flat, good quality; must indicate 30 cm; in. optional)
- 12 colored pencils (in packaging)
- 1 large eraser
- 2 new black or blue ballpoint pens
- 1 small **all metal** pencil sharpener, one or two holes (Christina has ordered 48 of these to be used in our kits. Plastic case pencil sharpeners are not accepted because these are poor quality and do not last as long.)

Western District Women's Retreat 2020: The Western District Women in Mission Retreat Committee decided not to meet in person at Camp Mennoscah this year. Instead, we WILL gather virtually on Saturday night, September 12 from 7:00-8:30 PM via Zoom for a worship service. Susan Jantzen will lead us on "Reflections on God as Keeper." Bethany Martin from Faith and Life Bookstore will review a few books. Annelle Claassen will lead singing, and Karen Mascho will lead communion together. No masks required! For free registration or questions, send your email to Tammy Duvanel Unruh at 2020womensretreat.rsvp@gmail.com

Racial Justice from the US to Palestine: The WDC Israel-Palestine Task Force invites you to celebrate the International Day of Peace with a virtual conversation on racial justice. Palestinians Alex Awad and Jonathan Kuttub join US citizen Sarah Nahar. They'll share their own experiences of injustice and hope and discuss the similarities in both contexts. Join this free live event on WDC's Facebook page on September 21, 7 pm. You're welcome to donate to WDC at: www.mennowdc.org

24/7 Travel Stores Food Bank Fill-up: During the month of September, donate to your local food bank at the register and 24/7 Travel Stores will match your donation up to the first \$30,000 donated.

Mennonite Central Committee is accepting donations to support people in need of food and other assistance in Beirut, Lebanon.

A massive explosion on Aug. 4 destroyed the country's main port and silos filled with grain and worsened an existing economic crisis. You can donate online at mcc.org/beirut-response, by calling (888) 563-4676 or by sending a check earmarked for "Beirut response" to MCC, 21 S. 12th St., Akron PA 17501.

Save the date for MennoCon21! Join Mennonite Church USA as we gather at the Cincinnati Convention Center on July 6-10, 2021 for worship, community and faith formation.

Menno Snapshots: "Breaking the taboo of money talk, we can...come up with creative ways to bring financial freedom," writes Beryl Jantzi, director of Stewardship Education for Everence, in a recent blog on the role of ministry in addressing financial needs.

Read more: <http://mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/preaching-good-news-and-financial-freedom-aphesis/>

Menno Snapshots: *Voices Together*, the new Mennonite songbook being launched this fall, features a rich variety of music including camp songs, contemporary music sung at Mennonite conventions and contemporary music sung in African American communities.

Committee member Anneli Loepp Thiessen discusses the selection process in her blog, "Worshiping in contemporary styles."

<http://mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/worshipping-in-contemporary-styles-popular-musical-idioms-in-voices-together/>