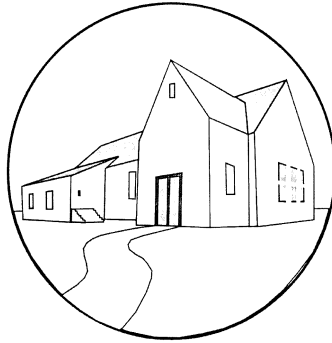


Salina Mennonite Church

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.

September 13, 2020



At Home Worship Gathering

Song *I Dreamed of Rain* Jan Garrett & JD Martin
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CYru3tmQRT0>

Gathering Prayer Hymnal 673

*O God, author of eternal light,
lead us in our worshipping this day:
that our lips may praise you,
our lives may bless you,
and our meditations glorify you,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Hymn *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above* Hymnal 59
Congregation <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nKJP4k4nXD4>
Solo <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8NKtIHjx8A4>

Hearing God's Word

Storytelling *We're Too Old* from Genesis 17,18,21
Song *God's Love Is for Everybody* Bryan Moyer Suderman

Scripture *Wisdom, Divisions, and Ministry* 1 Corinthians 2-4
Chapter 2 NIV <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XGEc6DewHp0>
Chapter 3 NIV https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=he_eW0K6ne8
Chapter 4 NIV <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rRLaMVWTLmC>

Sermon *What Divides Us?*
It's Quiet Uptown <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NM9WoCX1jnU>

Hymn *Jesus, Help Us Live in Peace* Sing the Journey 52
Solo <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A05v6PJNVQg>
Choir <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=41yENZ9xk7w>

Responding

Name your Joys and Concerns
The Lord's Prayer

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

Hymn *Jesus, Rock of Ages* Hymnal 515
Jesus, Rock of ages, let me hide myself in thee.
Jesus, living Water, let me drink from your flowing stream.

Benediction Hymnal 774
*May the God of steadfastness and encouragement
grant you to live in harmony with one another,
in accordance with Christ Jesus,
so that together you may with one voice
glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

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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.

“Sunday School” Options

For Children – Becoming a People of God

- Bible stories during Sunday morning worship
- Story Bibles to read and activities to do at home

For Adults

- Fellowship – Weather permitting
 - 6:30 pm Sundays in the backyard
- Bible Study – *Joining God: Relationship & Worship*
 - 7:00 pm Wednesdays at Zergers’
 - Contact Tom Claassen for information
- Book Study – *Addiction Nation* by Timothy King
 - 7:00 pm Thursdays via Zoom
 - Contact Pastor Christina for information

Upcoming Events

Sept 20	Hybrid In-Person/Zoom Worship	10:00 am
Sept 20	Third Sunday Backyard Fellowship	6:30 pm
Sept 22	Church Board	7:00 pm
Sept 30	Worship Committee via Zoom	5:30 pm

Worship Totals

2020	Attendance		Unified Budget	Other	Total
9/6	Zoom	18			
	Church	15	Rent \$250.00		
	Total	33	\$2910.00		\$3160.00

Local Announcements

MCC School Kits: Join our school kit project. Bring completed kits (or kit contents) to the church by September 27. Could we possibly complete 48 bags? Still needed to reach this goal:

- 72 spiral or perforated-pages notebooks (8.5”x10.5”, 70 sheets)
- 318 new unsharpened pencils
- 40 pks of 12 colored pencils (in packaging)
- 86 new black or blue ballpoint pens

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.

Blessing Box: We are collecting notebook paper, spiral notebooks, erasers, and Ticonderoga pencils to give to neighborhood children.

Cottonwood School: We are collecting snacks, small cups, masks, disinfecting wipes, and Expo dry erase markers.

Conferencewide Announcements

Racial Justice from the US to Palestine: The WDC Israel-Palestine Task Force invites you to a virtual conversation on racial justice. Palestinians Alex Awad and Jonathan Kuttab join US citizen Sarah Nahar to share their experiences of injustice and hope. 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

Wurst Fundraiser Ever: Enjoy a German-themed drive-through meal fundraiser to benefit Mennonite Central Committee Sept. 26 at Shalom Mennonite Church in Newton. Tim and Heidi Huber's family will be offering bratwurst, sides, dessert and drinks, with an RSVP deadline of Sept. 19 or 300 reservations by calling 316-217-1932 or at <https://forms.gle/ASndjK9AQP3BLRS7>.

Register NOW for the MCC Flatlander Bicycle Ride! Due to COVID-19, the ride is a “virtual” event this year and open to EVERYONE. Riders may register any time until September 29. [Register online at Bikereg.com](http://Bikereg.com). Join us in raising money for MCC to fund the construction of new wells and repair existing water and sanitary systems at schools in Nicaragua. With these improvements, students will have safe water to drink and wash their hands. In this global pandemic, access to clean water is more essential than ever. Donations from non-riders are welcome! Checks to MCC Flatlander Bike Ride may be sent to MCC Central States, PO Box 235, North Newton, KS 67117.

WDC Garden Newsletter: You are invited to read the latest issue of WDC's quarterly newsletter now available at: <https://mennowdc.org/wdc-garden-september-october-november-2020/>.

Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale

The KMRS is sponsoring an online auction at the Acutria Auction site. <https://charityauction.bid/KMRS>

Bidding began on September 1 and will close at 5:00 PM on September 26. This auction features donations that would have been sold at the silent or general auction at the KMRS event last April. Items will continue to be added through the time period of the auction so check out the auction site often. There will not be any quilts sold at this auction but the quilt committee is putting together a quilt online auction for October. More details will follow as those details are worked out.

This is an opportunity to contribute to the continuing needs of the Mennonite Central Committee. The auction site is easy to use and is geared for non-profit charitable organizations. Items purchased may be picked up at a distribution points in North Newton, Topeka and Hutchinson. Shipping or delivery will be considered upon request.

Please check out the items on the auction site and bid. If you have something you would like to donate or have questions, please contact Jim Robb at jimandbeatyrobbs@gmail.com or 620-747-0186.

You have been very generous in your donations and contributions to KMRS and MCC. For this we are thankful. But in this centennial year we should consider stretching ourselves as the original supporters of MCC did. The best way to celebrate is to "give in the name of Christ."

Churchwide Announcements

The Grace Fund: Iglesia Menonita Hispana, a racial/ethnic group of Mennonite Church USA, has launched the Grace Fund. This mutual aid fund will support the denomination's Hispanic congregations and ministries directly impacted by COVID-19 and natural disasters, such as Hurricane Hanna. To learn more, <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/imh-gracefund>

Finding Hope: Read about how our Anabaptist schools and colleges found hope during the first few months of the pandemic. <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/news/mennonite-education-pandemic/>

#MennoCon21: Have you attended a MennoCon Equipping Seminar that made an impact on your faith journey? Do you have an Equipping Seminar to offer at MennoCon21 (Cincinnati, Ohio, July 6-10, 2021)? Mennonite Church USA convention planners invite you to submit a proposal by October 10, 2020.

<https://www.mennoniteusa.org/equipping-seminars>

Celebrate with us! Mennonite Central Committee invites you join Celebration 2020: MCC at 100, a livestreamed event commemorating a century of MCC's ministry on Saturday, Oct. 17, starting at 6:50 p.m. (EDT). The event will feature photos, videos and storytelling that highlight MCC's work over the years. Former MCC leader and pastor Leonard Dow of Philadelphia will inspire participants to walk boldly into the next century of MCC's ministry while talented musicians will lead in prayer and thanksgiving. You can find more information about MCC's centennial and log in for the livestreamed event at mcc.org/celebration-2020.

Churchwide Prayer Requests

Western District Conference: Pray for the Holy Spirit's wisdom, guidance and joy for Lois Barrett, as she begins serving as the new moderator for WDC.

Mennonite Mission Network: Join MMN in praising God that no students, staff, or faculty of the Near East School of Theology were injured when last month's explosion rocked Beirut, Lebanon. Pray for wisdom for George Sabra, the school's president, and for the necessary resources to repair the extensive damage done to the eight-floor building. Pray also for all who have lost loved ones and homes.

Mennonite Education Agency: Pray for athletes, coaches and athletic directors as they experience significant changes to the fall season with abbreviated, postponed or even canceled seasons. We recognize the value of play, sports and participating on sports teams, and we know this loss hits hard, especially for seniors.