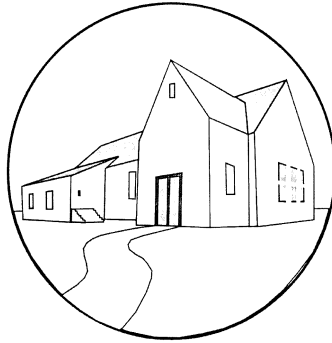


Salina Mennonite Church

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.

April 18, 2021



A Journey Through Acts

Prelude *Crown Him with Many Crowns* VT 408
Piano/Violin <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u3H2CsRPkbM>
Congregation https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FiJYgC_6AFc

Call to Worship VT 877

ALL: *Come, Holy Spirit,*

Leader: enter our silences.

ALL: *Come, Holy Spirit,*

Leader: into the depths of our longing.

ALL: *Come, Holy Spirit,*

Leader: unmask our pretending.

Enter our trusting, enter our fearing,

enter our letting go, enter our holding back.

ALL: *Come, Holy Spirit,*

Leader: embrace and free us.

Hymn *Holy Spirit, Come with Power* VT 57
Choir <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e9ISMSdJo7U>
Solo w/Guitar https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N_owNhkS7mg

Storytelling *Wind and Fire* Acts 2:2-12, 37-39
Saddleback Kids <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OMQKv1Mx49M>

Hymn *Come Fill Us Up*
Bryan Sirchio <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ijv6ugFEpEQ>

Scripture *Life in the Spirit* Romans 8:14-17
Spiritual Gifts 1 Cor. 12:4-13

Sermon *Celebrate the Spirit*

Hymn *There Are Many Gifts* VT 374
Solo w/Piano https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ad5x5n_hY4g

Name your Joys and Concerns/The Lord's Prayer

Hymn *Oceans* VT 456
A Cappella <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kMBt8mkW9as>
Solo w/Guitar <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x3kwC-8cXhs>

Benediction VT 1067

*God of power,
may the boldness of your Spirit transform us,
may the gentleness of your Spirit lead us,
may the gifts of your Spirit be our goal and our strength,
now and always.*

Postlude *Every Time I Feel the Spirit* VT 681
Solo <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=74HPGd9xJpo>
Choir <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qT1cV0S2CiA>
Cello/Piano https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cAlsdc4_gU8

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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

“Sunday School” Options

For Children – *Living the Good News*

- Stories from Acts during Sunday morning worship
- Story Bibles to read and activities to do at home

For Adults

- Bible Study – *Living for God* – 7 pm Wednesday at Zergers’

Upcoming Events

Apr 18	Memorial Rose Bush Planting	4:30 pm
Apr 25	Worship (hybrid)	10:00 am
Apr 27	Church Board @ Zergers’	7:00 pm
May 5	Worship Committee	5:30 pm

Worship Totals

2021	Attendance	Unified Budget	Other	Total
4/11	Zoom 22 Church 14 Total 36	\$660.00		\$660.00

Local Announcements

Memorial Rose Bush Planting: We are adding a peace rose to our Peace Butterfly Garden in memory of Nancy Weathers on Sunday, April 18, at 4:30 pm. Join us in the backyard for this event.

Worship Plans: You are welcome to join worship in-person as you are comfortable. We will continue to wear masks. We will continue to maintain the Zoom connections each week.

SMC Church Board: We welcome your assistance with projects in progress and in the planning stages. Contact Annelle or Christina.

- Visibility
 - Name & MC USA logo on front door
 - Name on east side of building
 - Improve online presence – Website & Facebook
 - Salina Mennonite Church T-shirts
- Welcome
 - Write a welcome statement
- Church building
 - New furnaces
 - New seating in the sanctuary
 - Refurbish the walls in the sanctuary

MennoCon21: Would you like to attend portions of the MC USA convention July 6-10 from your own home? Christina will be attending virtually instead of in-person as originally budgeted. The church board is offering some of the “excess” funds to pay registration for on-line attendance for up to six members of SMC. Contact Pastor Christina if you are interested. Learn more about MennoCon21 here: <https://convention.mennoniteusa.org>

Conferencewide Announcements

Western District Conference: Give thanks for farmers and gardeners, and pray for all those in WDC congregations working to be faithful stewards of God’s creation.

Bethel College Women's Association invites donations to help purchase two earth-friendly water refill stations for the Bethel campus. The stations will accommodate water bottles, and cost \$890 each. Donate at bcwamarketonline.com by April 30, 2021.

Churchwide Announcements

Mennonite Mission Network: MMN requests prayer for the two-day Sent Network conference that begins on Thursday, April 23. Pray that all who participate in this virtual church-planting summit will be inspired, energized, and given the tools necessary for encouraging the growth of Jesus’ church.

Mennonite Church USA: Pastor Jon Carlson of Forest Hills (Pennsylvania) Mennonite Church has been nominated as Mennonite Church USA moderator-elect for the 2021-2023 biennium. Read more here: <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/carlson-elect>

Menno Snapshots: Hedy Matahelemaul sheds light on the dramatic increase in hate crimes and acts of racism against Asians in the United States in his blog, “Difficult things in difficult times.” Learn more here: <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/difficult-things-times>

Learn, Pray, Join: In her blog, “Let us lay down our economic weapons,” Katerina Parsons explains the impact that U.S. economic sanctions have on the people in the countries that have experienced these sanctions. Parsons calls us to advocate against these sanctions, in order put our love for people around the world into action.

<https://www.mennoniteusa.org/economic-weapons>