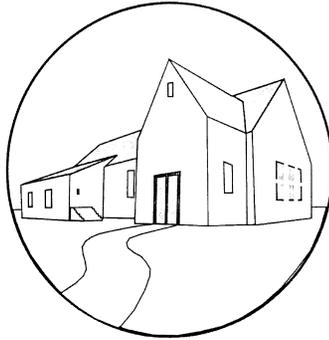


Salina Mennonite Church

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.

May 9, 2021



Stories from Acts

Prelude *To God Be the Glory* arr. John Carter
Piano <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GaXDAuQkHPA>

Call to Worship VT 854

Leader: Some of us are exhausted.

ALL: We come to rest.

Leader: Some of us are curious about Jesus.

ALL: We come to learn.

Leader: Some of us are hungry.

ALL: We come to be fed.

Leader: Some of us are disoriented.

ALL: We come to pray.

Leader: Some of us are broken.

ALL: We come to be healed.

Leader: We gather around you today, O Christ.

ALL: Teach us, feed us, hear us, heal us.

Leader: Grant us your peace.

ALL: Amen.

Hymn *God, Be the Love* VT 43
Scenic <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VBJDWsufLPg>

Storytelling *Saul's Conversion* Acts 9:1-30
Animated https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W_BaCLcVMeU

Hymn *Open My Eyes (Abre mis ojos)* VT 732
Trio <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MtXQ-aWtzeU>

Sermon *A Changed Person* Richard Litwiller

Hymn *I Know Not Why God's Wondrous* VT 590
A Cappella <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bRV3J4n8cc>

Name your Joys and Concerns/The Lord's Prayer

Hymn *We Praise Thee, O God* VT 91
Contemporary https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fYLTUNvu_z4
Choir <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aI8S3OzDMaU>

Benediction VT 1027

*Convert us, Jesus the persecuted,
as you converted Paul
and sent him as apostle to the world.
May our love, our prayers, our suffering
carry your gospel at whatever cost
to all who wait to hear it. Amen*

Postlude *Grace Greater Than Our Sin* arr. Melody Bober
Piano <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=18aXKrZGfqM>

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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

May 16	Worship (hybrid)	10:00 am
May 22	Memorial Service for Susan Reitz	10:00 am
May 25	Church Board @ Zergers'	7:00 pm
June 2	Worship Committee @ Newcomer's	7:00 pm
June 6	Homecoming Sunday	10:00 am
	Congregational Meeting	11:30 am
June 20	Third Sunday Potluck	11:30 am

Worship Totals

2021	Attendance	Unified Budget	Other	Total
5/2	Zoom 23 Church 11 Total 34	\$3,145.00	Special Needs Fund \$46.55 Voices Together \$160.93	\$3,352.48

Local Announcements

Memorial Service: A memorial service for Susan Reitz is scheduled for 10:00 am on Saturday, May 22, in the church's backyard. A reception will follow the service, beginning around 10:45. Everyone is invited to attend the service and/or reception.

Homecoming Sunday: Plans are underway to return to in-person worship on Sunday, June 6. You are encouraged to join us in the sanctuary, if possible. We will continue to maintain the Zoom connections each week. Please contact Pastor Christina or Annelle Claassen with any questions or suggestions you have about this.

Conferencewide Announcements

Western District Conference: Pray for God's guidance for WDC congregations, pastors and leaders as they determine priorities and focus vision in the midst of the ongoing challenges and changes of the pandemic.

California Roasted Almonds are available at the Etcetera stores in Hutchinson, Newton and Hillsboro and the MCC Center in North Newton. Price is \$10/bag. The money will all go to MCC.

MCC Sale: Get your MCC Relief Sale gear online at <https://wearatomic.com/product-category/mcc/>

The WDC Resource Library is now open to the public - Library capacity is limited to one household in the library at a time. The self-checkout station & library catalog computer will remain off. Please see library WDC staff for assistance in looking up items (or browse the catalog on your smartphone). Plan to make your visit to the library quick and not linger. Stop at the WDC front lobby to check whether there is anyone in the library. Questions? Contact the library at crlib@mennowdc.org As in the rest of the WDC offices, masks are required while you are in the library. The library continues to offer service to any individual or congregation in WDC via the United States Postal Service--check out the online catalog [here](#).

Everence will host the following free, online webinars during the month of May; all starting at 6:30 p.m.

- Making your wishes known - Tuesday, May 11
- Navigating education savings: 529 plans - Tuesday, May 18
- Social Security & retirement income planning – Tues, May 25

To register, or learn more about each webinar event, please visit our webpage at everence.com/kansas.

Camp Mennoscah: Help set up camp! Volunteers are needed to help set up the HUGE tents used for this summer's youth camps at Camp Mennoscah. Setup will happen May 28 and 29. Sign up by May 15: 620-297-3290 or olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org.

Churchwide Announcements

Mennonite Mission Network: On this Mother's Day, MMN requests prayer for all the world's families. May they find the resources to provide for their children, so they will have the joy of seeing their children blossom physically, mentally, socially and spiritually into their full God-created potential.

Mennonite Church USA: Glen Guyton has been reappointed for a second three-year term as executive director of Mennonite Church USA. Read about his goals and accomplishments here:

<https://www.mennoniteusa.org/glen-second-term>

Learn, Pray, Join: MC USA profiled Amy Yoder McGloughlin – mom, pastor and peacemaker with Christian Peacemaking Teams – as part of its Learn, Pray, Join: Cost of War initiative. Read about her journey in “From Palestine to Pennsylvania, peacemaking is not passive.” <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/palestine-to-pa>

Menno Snapshots: Voices Together was made with children in mind, too! Read Ingrid and Anneli Loepp Thiessen’s blog, “Introducing Voices Together to Children: Ten ideas,” for examples of how to integrate Voices Together into children’s programming. <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/vt-children-ten-ideas>

MenoTicias: Carlos Romero shared about his experience as the first Latino executive director of Mennonite Education Agency and about his anti-racism work in the education system in a recent interview. Read more. <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/table-menno-education>

Mennonite Mission Network exists to equip and empower the church as we partner in God’s mission around the globe. Thank you, Salina Mennonite Church, for your gift of \$495 in 2020! Your prayers, participation and generous financial support empower us to bring inspiration and innovation to the church and our partners across the street and around the world, so that people of all cultures may be transformed by Jesus Christ.

– Mike Sherrill, Executive Director and CEO

Mennonite World Conference: We thank God for keeping us safe despite the COVID-19 pandemic. Though with challenges, the church has continued worshipping God. We eagerly await being together again.