



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.

We hold that every person is created in God's image. We embrace differences in race, gender, sexual orientation, ability or status.

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Welcome

Hymn

Ensemble

God of the Bible

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FoJai36c59Y>

Voices Together 420

Psalms of Praise

Psalms 146

Hymn

Organ w/Lyrics

All Creatures, Worship God Most High

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pi4AdbYAR6s>

Voices Together 81

Storytelling

The Holy Tales

Come to My Table

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IDTYvpoU1Nk>

1 Samuel 5:1-5; 8:15-9:13

Hymn

Straughter Sisters

You've Got a Place

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-ku9Tw24hco>

Sing the Journey 4

Scripture

Bible Project

Ruth 1:1-18

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0h1eoBeR4Jk>

Hymn

Assembly Mennonite

Bless the Arms That Comfort

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UoVkJtD8hks>

Voices Together 527

Sermon

Where You Go, I Will Go

Pete Emery

Hymn

Duet

Will You Let Me Be Your Servant

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EKF92d6T7xc>

Voices Together 778

Show and Tell

Joys and Concerns

Congregational Prayer/The Lord's Prayer

Announcements

Hymn

Bluegrass

I Love to Tell the Story

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d2e55B2h028>

Voices Together 761

Instrumental

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VUeLrqT1W6E>

Benediction

Voices Together 1068

*Eternal God, you call us to ventures of which we cannot see the ending,
by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown.*

*Give us faith to go out with courage, not knowing where we go,
but only that your hand is leading us, and your love supporting us,
through Jesus Christ. Amen.*

We extend gratitude and welcome to our guest preacher. Pete Emery is a long-time friend of the congregation. He has served as an interim pastorate in several Western District Conference congregations.

Christian Education

For Children – *Living as God's People – Leaders in the Land*

- Stories during Sunday morning worship; Activities to do at home

For Adults

- Bible Study – *God's Approachable Community* – 7:00 pm Wednesday at Zergers'
- The discussion on lectionary scriptures will resume after we are back in the building

Pastor Christina's Office Hours

Out of the office October 28-November 16. Contact church board members with questions and pastoral care concerns: Annelle Claassen, Pete Smucker, Vera Zerger.

Upcoming Events

Sunday	Nov. 7	Worship on Zoom	10:00 am
Thursday	Nov. 18	Church Board @ Zergers'	7:00 pm
Wednesday	Dec. 1	Worship Committee @ Newcomers'	7:00 pm
Sunday	Dec. 5	Congregational Meeting	11:15 am

Worship Totals

2021	Attendance	Unified Budget	Other	Total
10/24	Zoom 31 In-Person 0 Total 31	\$0.00		\$0.00

Local Announcements

Sanctuary Renovation: Work is progressing slowly. There's a chance we will be able to worship in the building sometime in the next 2 weeks. We will continue to worship on Zoom until we're able to use our sound system again.

No Third Sunday Potluck: We will not have a potluck in November.

Conferencewide Announcements & Prayer Requests

Western District Conference: Give thanks for the generous financial gifts and prayers of WDC congregations and members to support conference ministries of sustaining ministers, resourcing congregations and encouraging church planting.

Bethel College Menno Simons Lectures: Jan Kraybill, organ conservator at the Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts in Kansas City, organist-in-residence at Community of Christ International Headquarters, Independence, Mo., and organist at Village Presbyterian Church on Antioch, Overland Park, Kan., will present two lectures on Friday, November 5. The first lecture, "The Sound of Science," will be at 11 a.m. in Memorial Hall as part of Bethel's convocation series. The second, "Music and Memory, Meaning and Mission," will be at 7 p.m. in Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center. Both will be free and open to the public both in person and virtually on the college's YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/c/BethelksEdu1887/videos>. Read more about the Menno Simons lectures here: <https://www.bethelks.edu/article/lecture-series-feature-kauffman-center-musician>

The Kansas Coalition Against the Death Penalty invites you to its 2021 Abolition Conference: "United Against the Death Penalty: All Roads Lead to Repeal". This virtual event will be held on Saturday November 6, 2021 from 1 to 3 p.m. on Zoom. Panelists are:

- Mary Head, murder victim family member;
- Dalton Glasscock, former Chair Sedgwick County Republican Party;
- Kevin Willmott, award winning director and screen writer, KU Department of Film and Media Studies;
- Rev. Willmar Harder, pastor Buhler Mennonite Church; and
- Julia Spainhour, chief attorney of Kansas Capital Habeas Office.

This event is open to KCADP members and the general public. To register and get your Zoom link, send an email to info@ksabolition.org and include your name and address. WDC delegates approved a resolution against the death penalty on August 8, 2009. In this resolution it states "We call upon the congregations of the Western District Conference to support efforts to change the public policy toward the elimination of the death penalty."

Churchwide Announcements & Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: Jaden Hostetter, who is serving with MMN and VMissions, has started a ceramic studio for refugees who have been welcomed by the Quito Mennonite Church in Ecuador. Pray that, through creating art, participants will find a space of healing and a place to build community.

Mennonite Church USA: MC USA is once again offering its free Advent at Home devotional. Written by Talashia Keim Yoder, pastor of Christian Formation at College Mennonite Church, Goshen, Indiana, the 2021 guide follows the theme of Leader magazine and is appropriate for all ages. Download your copy here. <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/adventathome>

Mennonite Church USA: If your family has recently experienced a birth, marriage or death, Mennonite Church USA (MC USA) Archives would like to preserve this information for free, through the new vital records form on the MC USA Archives website. Read more about how you can help the Archives memorialize your family history here: <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/new/vital-records-form>

Menno Snapshots: It can be easy for churches to self-segregate based on age, but when a church intentionally seeks out intergenerational faith formation, everyone benefits from richness that age diversity brings. Carrie Mast, in her blog “Faith for all — at the same time,” shares how her congregation has successfully engaged in intergenerational faith formation. Read her story here: <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/faith-for-all>

Menno Snapshots: When choosing which worship resources to include in the new hymnal, the Voices Together team chose to include many resources from before the Reformation. Learn why including these resources was important to the team and which resources predate the Reformation in Sarah Kathleen Johnson and Carl Bear’s blog, “Singing with the early and medieval church through ‘Voices Together.’” <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/medieval-through-voicestogether>

Mennonite World Conference: God of justice, we pray for vaccine equity around the world. We cry with those who are suffering without opportunity to be vaccinated. Soften the hearts of political and pharmaceutical leaders to release vaccines and patents to low income countries. We pray especially for our brothers and sisters in Tanzania where less than one percent of the population has been vaccinated. We thank you for the generosity of our members who care for the sick through physical aid and donations to UNICEF’s vaccination campaign.