

## **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.

**January 23, 2022** 

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# **Anabaptist World Fellowship Sunday**

### Welcome

Greetings from around the World

AWFS 2022 Greetings | Mennonite World Conference (mwc-cmm.org)

**Hymn** Akekho ofana/Hakuna wakaita Voices Together 68

**Storytelling** What's in Your Net? Luke 5:1-11

**Hymn** Somlandela Voices Together 566

Video MWC Year in Review 2021 MWC Year in Review 2021 | Mennonite World Conference (mwc-cmm.org)

**Hymn** El Senyor ės la meva força Voices Together 118

Scriptures Genesis 12:1-5 in French AWFS 2022 Scripture reading | Mennonite World Conference (mwc-cmm.org)

Psalm 104:1-4, 24, 31-33 in Hindi

John 20:19-23 in German

1 Corinthians 12:3-13 in Indonesian

**Hymn** Ososo Voices Together 391

**Sermon** Following Jesus Together Gerald Hildebrand

**Hymn** Enviados somos de Dios Voices Together 771

**Show and Tell** 

**Joys and Concerns** 

**Congregational Prayer/The Lord's Prayer** 

**Announcements** 

Sending Words Voices Together 1050

*Leader: From where we are to where you need us:* 

ALL: Jesus, now lead on.

Leader: From the familiarity of what we know to the wonder of what you will reveal:

ALL: Jesus, now lead on.

Leader: To transform the fabric of this world until it resembles the shape of your kingdom:

ALL: Jesus, now lead on.

*Leader: Because good things have been prepared for those who love God:* 

ALL: Jesus, now lead on.

**Hymn** Guide My Feet

Voices Together 816

We welcome our guest speaker. Gerald Hildebrand is the North American Regional Representative for Mennonite World Conference. He resides in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.

### **Anabaptist World Fellowship Sunday**

Each year, Anabaptist-related churches around the world are encouraged to worship around a common theme on a Sunday close to January 21. On that date in 1525, the first Anabaptist baptism took place in Zurich, Switzerland. Anabaptist World Fellowship Sunday provides an opportunity to remember our common roots and celebrate our worldwide *koinonia*. Our worship on January 23 includes greetings and songs from around the world, scripture readings in four different languages, a video from Mennonite World Conference, and a sermon by Gerald Hildebrand from Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. Follow the links in the order of worship to find out more about Mennonite World conference and this special event.

#### **Christian Education**

For Children – Meet Jesus, the Messiah – On the Way with Jesus

- > Stories during Sunday morning worship; Activities to do at home For Adults
  - ➤ Bible Study Participating in God's Reality 7:00 pm Wednesday at Zergers'
  - ➤ Informal Discussion *The Gospel of Luke* Check with Christina if you are interested in this

#### **Pastor Christina's Office Hours**

9:00-12:00 Tuesday – Friday Available most of the time by text, phone, or email

## **Upcoming Events**

Sunday	Jan. 30	Worship on Zoom	10:00 am
Wednesday	Feb. 2	Worship Committee @ Lois Newcomer's Home	7:00 pm
Tuesday	Feb. 17	Church Board @ Vera Zerger's Home	7:00 pm
Sunday	Mar. 6	Congregational Meeting	11:15 am

## **Worship Totals**

2022	Attendance	Unified Budget	Other	Total
	Zoom 31			
1/16	In-Person 0			
	Total 30	\$160.00		\$160.00

### **Local Announcements**

The Salina Souperbowl of Hope: We are collecting donations for the annual Souperbowl of Hope from now until February 13. This year's goal is 56,000 cans of soup to be distributed between the Salina Food Bank, Salvation Army, Rescue Mission, Ashby House, and DVACK. \$25 will buy 60 cans of soup.

My Coins Count: We have begun our annual collection of money to be given to MCC for service projects around the world. Place your loose change and paper money in the container on the back table.

**COVID Precautions:** We encourage you to continue to care for your own health and the health of others by taking reasonable precautions. Worship is on Zoom only on January 23 and 30.

**Congregational Meetings:** Dates for 2022 are March 6, June 5, August 28, and December 4.

# **Conferencewide Announcements & Prayer Requests**

**Western District Conference:** Give thanks for WDC's relationships with other organizations and institutions, and pray that these partnerships would extend God's healing and hope in the world.

**WANTED for the Kansas MCC Sale General Auction:** Cars, Trucks, Tractors, Motorcycles, Campers, etc. Call Jerry Toews, 620-367-8257, for details and pickup NOW so we have time to get them cleaned up and ready for the sale in April. ALL proceeds go to MCC.

**To supporters of Western District Conference:** As Western District Conference comes to the end of our fiscal year on January 31, we invite you to share a gift with WDC during this season. We are grateful to many who have given their time and resources to WDC in 2021 to help our congregations Witness & invite others to faith in Jesus Christ, **D**well in just & loving relationships, and Connect to God's mission in the world. As of December 31, contributions and other income are \$331,300. This leaves a gap of \$94,000 to meet our expenses year to date, so your generous gifts are invited to help close the gap towards WDC's 2021 budget goal! You may make an online contribution here or send a check to Western District Conference, PO Box 306, North Newton, KS 67117. Thank you for your generosity!

From Camp Mennoscah: To all who supported Camp Mennoscah through gifts, prayers, volunteering, and visits in 2021, thank you immensely! Camp Mennoscah is looking forward to the 74th year of building on the Rock and playing in the sands of the Ninnescah River. Come be part of faith formation and connecting with others! It's more fun together. Click on this link for more Camp Mennoscah Announcements: <a href="Camp Mennoscah">Camp Mennoscah</a> - <a href="Happy 74th Year to Camp Mennoscah! Camp Mennoscah">Happy 74th Year to Camp Mennoscah! Camp Mennoscah</a> Announcements

### **Churchwide Announcements & Prayer Requests**

**Mennonite Mission Network:** MMN requests prayer for young people, ages 15-22, considering participation in Youth Venture next summer. Experiences include: learning about the Hopi people in Kykotsmovi, Arizona; joining an immigration/borderlands tour in Tucson, Arizona; and engaging with a civil rights learning tour in the southern states. International opportunities may also be available, depending on the COVID-19 situation.

**Mennonite Education Agency:** Join MEA in praying for the 30 schools affiliated with Mennonite Church USA. MEA's monthly prayer newsletter can be found at Prayers for Mennonite Education.

Mennonite Church USA: In response to the National Defense Authorization Act, Mennonite Church USA and Mennonites Against Militarism co-wrote a "Statement on the value and morality of the 2022 U.S. defense budget." This statement speaks out against the funding of this act and gives several tangible ways that you can take action. Read the statement here: <a href="https://www.mennoniteusa.org/transformational-peacemaking/statement-2022-defense-budget/">https://www.mennoniteusa.org/transformational-peacemaking/statement-2022-defense-budget/</a>.

**#BeTransformed:** Through his mother's recent death, Mennonite Church USA (MC USA) Executive Director Glen Guyton gained a renewed appreciation for the brevity of life and an understanding that life is too short for anger and hatred. In his blog, "A change in me, be transformed," Guyton encourages MC USA delegates to keep this in mind, as they prepare for the Special Session of the Delegate Assembly, May 27-30, in Kansas City, Missouri. Read more here: <a href="https://www.mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/a-change-in-me-be-transformed/">https://www.mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/a-change-in-me-be-transformed/</a>.

**Mennonite World Conference:** Pray that MWC member churches would be open to the moving of the Holy Spirit. May our churches experience individual and corporate renewal. May our hearts turn away from the allure of individualism, toward the call of God to act interdependently as God's shalom builders in our communities.