

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/Lighting the Peace Lamp

We light this lamp as a reminder of our calling to be peacemakers in our homes, in our church, in our community, in our world.

Prelude Holy, Holy, Holy arr. Carol Tornquist

Psalm The Lord Is King Psalm 99

Hymn Holy God, We Praise Thy Name Voices Together 126

Storytelling Crossing Over Luke 10:25-37

Hymn God's Love Is for Everybody

The Two Foundations Luke 6:46-49 Scripture

Love the Lord Your God Hymn Voices Together 288

Sermon Doing Love Anita Kehr

Hymn How Can I Say Voices Together 388

Show and Tell Joys and Concerns Congregational Prayer/The Lord's Prayer

Announcements

Renew Your Church Voices Together 717 Hymn

Sending Prayer Voices Together 1028

Nurturing God, root us in your love and grow us up to bear the fruit of your Spirit:

Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Amen.

Postlude Love Medley arr. Marilynn Ham

We welcome our guest speaker. Anita Kehr pastored at Berkey Avenue Mennonite Fellowship, Goshen, IN and First Mennonite Church, Newton, KS. She supervised and mentored Pastor Christina during a year-long internship at Berkey Avenue. Currently, she is serving as chaplain at Schowalter Villa, Hesston.

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 9:00 am Sunday in the Fellowship Room

Pastor Christina's Office Hours

9:00-12:00 Tuesday – Friday

Available most of the time by text, phone, or email

Upcoming Events

Wednesday	Mar. 2	Worship Committee @ Lois Newcomer's Home	7:00 pm
Sunday	Mar. 6	Worship – In Person with a Zoom Connection	10:00 am
Sunday	Mar. 6	Congregational Meeting	11:15 am
Sunday	Mar. 6	80 th Birthday Party for Mike Mattson	11:30 am
Thursday	Mar. 24	Church Board @ Vera Zerger's Home	7:00 pm

Local Announcements

Congregational Meeting: Agenda for the <u>brief</u> March 6 Congregational Meeting includes activity reports, plans for the year, and information about the upcoming MC USA Special Assembly.

Birthday Party: Everyone is invited to celebrate Mike Mattson's 80th birthday after worship and the congregational meeting on Sunday, March 6.

My Coins Count: We are collecting 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.

Community-Wide Clean-Up Day: Volunteers are needed at twelve worksites around Salina from 8:00 am until noon on Saturday, April 30. Make plans now to help out ... and wear you SMC t-shirt.

Conferencewide Announcements & Prayer Requests

Western District Conference: Pray for the WDC Church Planting Commission, as they implement a new strategic plan to engage our whole conference in initiatives for church planting, revitalizing congregations, and fostering relationships with emerging Anabaptist/Mennonite groups.

Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale: KMRS's purpose is to raise funds for Mennonite Central Committee (www.mcc.org). It takes a whole host of individuals playing their part in order that we might carry out the Lord's bidding to care for the "least of these" found in Matt. 25. We call upon our supporting churches to donate toward the sale budget so that every dollar raised at the sale is donated to MCC. We call upon quilters to complete their quilts and to gather extra supplies to donate to Quilters' Corner. Consider donating items to the General, Silent and even our Kid's Auction. During the cool winter months, divide house plants and start vegetable plants to sell at Plants &Things and tea towel sets completed for Kansas Crafts. Challenge yourself to participate in the Run for Relief, a 5K run/walk the Saturday of the sale and spend the winter months gathering your pledges. Go to: www.kansas.mccsale.org or like us on Facebook at Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale.

MCC Comforter Blitz: All are welcome to join the fun at 14th annual MCC Comforter Blitz on March 7, 8 and 9 at the Journey Yoder Campus, one mile north of Yoder, KS. Times are Monday and Tuesday 9-5, and Wednesday 9-4. Come and have a good time while helping others. No sewing skills required. Lunch is available by donation each day, or you may bring your own sack lunch. You can bring snacks to share during work day. Masks are highly encouraged and plan to practice social distancing. This event is hosted by Kansas Friends of MCC, to make good quality, beautiful comforters for MCC to send for warmth, comfort, and love all around the world. Please contact the MCC Central States office with questions at 316-283-2720, or check the Facebook Page, "MCC Comforter Blitz for Kansas".

The WDC Israel-Palestine Task Force is sponsoring a Zoom book discussion of Jonathan Kuttab's book, Beyond the Two-State Solution. This event will take place on Tuesday April 5, 2022 from 7-8 pm CT. The first 20 registrants will receive a free copy of the book. To register email wdc@mennowdc.org or call (316) 283-6300 and provide your name, mailing address, and email address. Specific questions about the event may be referred to Bob Atchison, 785-313-2292 or by e-mail to robertleeatchison@gmail.com. More information at: Beyond-2-State-Discussion-Flyer.pdf (mennowdc.org)

Churchwide Announcements & Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: MMN, with more than a dozen partners, realized a long-held dream in 2021 — to make Anabaptist theological resources available in the French language. Praise God for the launch of this program with free monthly online webinars offered by *le Centre de Formation á la Justice et á la Paix* (Justice and Peace Training Center) and pray for its continued development.

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 <u>Prayers for Mennonite Education</u>.

Mennonite Church USA: Learn about the "Accessibility Resolution," which will be voted on at Mennonite Church USA's Special Session of the Delegate Assembly, May 27-30. MHS' Clare Krabill and Anabaptist Disability Network's Jeanne Davies will discuss it during a webinar on Monday, Mar. 7 at 7 p.m. ET. Read the resolution and register for the webinar on the delegate resource page: mennoniteusa.org/special-delegate

Mennonite Church USA: The MC USA annual Lent at Home guide is now available. Find the guide and other Lent resources at mennoniteusa.org/lentathome

Mennonite Church USA: Join author and pastor Osheta Moore on March 3 from 6:30-8:30 pm for "Ain't Gonna Study War No More," a hybrid event focused on restoration and shalom and cohosted by Atlantic Coast Conference. Register for your free ticket at <u>tinyurl.com/y4fw578v</u>.

Mennonite Church USA: Are you looking for a way to provide a faithful testimony to the world regarding Jesus' way of nonviolence and peace? This tax season, learn more about Mennonite Church USA's Church Peace Tax Fund here: https://www.mennoniteusa.org/news/peace-tax-fund/.

Menno Snapshots: In his blog, "Not too much or too little," Beryl Jantzi reflects on the prayer of Agur in Proverbs 30. He reminds us to be content with our "daily bread" and to avoid the dangers of pursing wealth and power. Read more here: mennoniteusa.org/not-too-much-little.

Menno Snapshots: In her blog, "A spiritual discipline?" Mag Richer Smith poetically describes how she sees God using her grandma's sewing box to create the world and mend the brokenness of humanity. Read her poem here: mennoniteusa.org/spiritual-discipline.