

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 t	he Peace Lamp	
Prelude	My Jesus, I Love Thee	arr. Martha Mier
Call to Worship		
Leader: We ga	ther together to worship God our Advocate.	
People: The or	ne who supports and encourages us.	
	orship Jesus our Shepherd.	
-	ne who leads us and cares for us.	
	orship the Holy Spirit our Comforter.	
-	ne who loves us each day.	
	God is within us,	
	ding and guiding and transforming us to be God's	holy people.
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	e us ears to hear and hearts that are open as w	
Hymn	Heilig, heilig, heilig (Holy, Holy, Holy)	Voices Together 137
Prayer		
Readers Theater	Adapted from Psalm 139:13-16; 1 Corinthians 6	5:19-20
Storytelling	We can care for our minds and bodies.	
Hymn	God Who Touches Earth with Beauty	Voices Together 550
Reflection/Practice	Honoring Our Bodies	
Hymn	Take My Life and Let It Be	Voices Together 759
Show and Tell/Joys	and Concerns	
Congregational Pray	yer/The Lord's Prayer	
Hymn	I Sing the Mighty Power of God	Voices Together 182
Announcements		
Hymn	Spirit of God	
Sending Words		
We have gath	ered in this place, seeking God together.	
Go, knowing t	that you are fearfully and wonderfully made.	

May you feel God within us. God's love, peace, and hope.

Christian Education

For Children & Adults - Seeking God Together

- > Intergenerational activities at 9:00 am Sunday in the fellowship room
- Story during Sunday morning worship; Activities to do at home
- For Adults 9:00 a.m. Sunday

▶ Bible Study – Seeking the Peace of Christ – In the basement

Upcoming Events

Wednesday	June 29	Service Hour at the Church	7:00-8:00 pm
Sunday	July 3	Worship	10:00 am
Wednesday	July 6	Worship Committee @ Lois Newcomer's Home	7:00 pm
Sunday	July 17	Third Sunday Potluck	11:15 am
Tuesday	July 28	Church Board @ Vera Zerger's Home	7:00 pm

Pastor Christina's Office Hours

9:00-12:00 Tuesday - Friday

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

Worship Totals

2022	Attendance	Unified Budget	Other	Total
6/19	Zoom 3 <u>In-Person 17</u> Total 20			

Local Announcements

Service Project for June: We are collecting MCC Relief Kits. Contents (NEW items only)

- 4 large bars bath soap (leave in wrapper)
- Shampoo (1 or 2 bottles, totaling more than 20 oz; place in resealable plastic bag)
- 4 large bars laundry soap (such as Fels Naptha®, Sunlight® or Zote® brands)
- 4 adult-size toothbrushes (in manufacturer's packaging)
- 4 new bath towels (medium weight, dark or bright colors; approx. 29 in x 60 in)
- 2 wide-toothed combs (6–8 in)
- 1 nail clipper (good quality)
- 1 box adhesive bandages (minimum 40, assorted)
- Sanitary pads (THIN; 1 or 2 packages, minimum 28 pads total)

Place items in a bag or box and bring to church by June 26.

Conferencewide Announcements & Prayer Requests

Western District Conference Church Planting Prayer Request: As we celebrate Pentecost this month, join the Church Planting Commission in praying for WDC congregations to be empowered by the Holy Spirit to explore new initiatives energizing and promoting the mission and vision of Jesus' Kingdom of God. May each congregation be alert to their own unique opportunities and assets inviting new possibilities for discipleship, evangelism, mission, and outreach. AMEN – Pastor Tonya Ramer Wenger

WDC Resource Library Final Thursday Book Discussion: "At no other time in history or place in the world have so many people understood themselves to be suffering from mental health problems." In *Not Quite Fine: Mental Health, Faith, and Showing Up for One Another*, author Carlene Hill Byron calls and equips the church to step up for such a time as this. Join us Thursday, June 30 at 7:00pm via Zoom to discuss the book. Register by emailing crlib@mennowdc.org.

Start out the morning with God at WDC Assembly! Tonya Ramer Wenger will be leading morning prayer Saturday and Sunday at 7 am at Camp Copass as part of our Annual Assembly. Camp Copass is on a lovely peninsula, so morning prayer will be by the lake. We hope you'll join us. Register at: <u>https://mennowdc.org/2022-annual-assembly-registration/</u>.

Churchwide Announcements & Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: MMN requests prayer for Gordon McDade, Karen Sethuraman and Patricia Whitestone, community chaplains with Soul Space, an organization that walks alongside peacemakers in Belfast, Northern Ireland, a city fractured by partisan conflict. Pray for Gordon, Karen and Patricia as they offer hospitable spaces where people can process the traumas they have experienced.

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>.

Menno Snapshots: Glen Guyton, executive director for Mennonite Church USA, laments the violence that has taken place in the recent months. "I know that our church is not immune from the same hatred and rhetoric that may have inspired some of this weekend's violence. It bothers me even to consider that those elements may be creeping into some corners of our historic peace church." Read more of his reflection here: <u>https://www.mennoniteusa.org/must-take-action-not-beyond-hate</u>

Menno Snapshots: As many graduates are journeying on to a different place, many times outside of their original communities, it is important to find the balance between support and being overbearing. "Our greatest gift is offering relational support and creating a safe space for questions and wonderings, as our youths' worldviews expand." Learn more from Sarah Neher, director of faith formation and congregational life at Rainbow Mennonite Church, as she provides guidelines for supporting our youth: <u>https://www.mennoniteusa.org/supporting-graduates-faith-journey</u>

Menno Snapshots: As part of Mennonite Church USA's Learn, Pray, Join: Welcoming EveryBODY initiative, Matthew Yoder, pastor of Grace Mennonite Church, reflects on why he believes that the Accessibility Resolution is so important to him personally. "Thanks to generous friends, evolving technologies and accessible spaces, [my grandfather] is able to continue to pursue his passion of worshipping God and serving the church." Read more of his story here: <u>https://www.mennoniteusa.org/accessibility-key-ongoing-faithfulness</u>

Menno Snapshots: As part of Mennonite Church USA's Learn, Pray, Join: Welcoming EveryBODY initiative, Shepherd Heart, a ministry of the Pacific Southwest Conference shares suggestions on preaching about disabilities. "Accessibility is about more than accommodation. How we preach about disability is profoundly important." Read their guidelines here: <u>https://www.mennoniteusa.org/when-preaching-on-disability</u>

Mennonite World Conference: As we gather in fellowship and hope, we remember our family who live in conflict and crisis: the Kasai and East regions of DR Congo, Myanmar, the Tigray region of Ethiopia, Ukraine, Colombia. Lord, have mercy.