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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

Prelude *Now Thank We All Our God*

arr. John Carter

Call to Worship *(based on Colossians 3:14-17)*

Leader: We are God's chosen people, so we are to clothe ourselves with love.

People: Love brings everything together in perfect harmony.

Leader: Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts and be thankful.

People: Thanks be to God.

Leader: Today, let the Word of Christ dwell within you.

People: God's Word will help us teach one another in all wisdom.

Leader: With gratitude in our hearts, let us sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs.

People: We will sing our thanks to God together.

Leader: Whatever we do, whether in word or deed, may we do it all in the name of our Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God for all things.

People: Thanks be to God.

Hymn *Now Thank We All Our God*

Voices Together 114

Prayer

Readers Theater *Adapted from Luke 17:11-19*

Storytelling *We can give thanks to God*

Hymn *How Great Is Our God*

Voices Together 116

Reflection *Giving Thanks*

Sharing the Table

Hymn *You Are All We Have*

Voices Together 701

Hymn *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

Voices Together 419

Show and Tell/Joys and Concerns

Congregational Prayer/The Lord's Prayer

Announcements

Hymn *My Hope Is Built*

Voices Together 621

Sending Words

Leader: Our time together has come to an end. We have seen God.

Wherever you go this week, look up and see God above you.

People: We look up and see God above us!

Leader: Go and see God.

Postlude *Give Thanks*

arr. Fred Bock

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	July 13	Service Hour at the Church	7:00-8:00 pm
Sunday	July 17	Worship	10:00 am
Sunday	July 17	Third Sunday Potluck	11:15 am
Tuesday	July 28	Church Board @ Vera Zerger's Home	7:00 pm
Wednesday	August 3	Worship Committee @ Lois Newcomer'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
7/3	Zoom 7 In-Person 19 Total 26	\$3,1600.00	Special Needs Fund \$500.00	\$3,660.00

Local Announcements

Third Sunday Potluck follows worship next Sunday, July 17. Everyone is welcome at the table whether or not you bring food to share.

School Supplies: As usual, we will be collecting school kits in August. Now is a good time to begin stocking up on school supplies. See the following announcement from MCC about this project.

MCC School Kit season is right around the corner! MCC is working to fulfil requests for school kits from partner organizations in Jordan, Ukraine, Malawi, Syria, Iraq, and Haiti.

Here are some things to keep in mind when making school kits this year:

- Sewn school kit bags may be requested from the MCC Material Resources Center if needed.
- MCC in North Newton has a large supply of pink erasers, so feel free to skip erasers and they'll be added when the kit is checked by volunteers at MCC
- The pencil sharpeners need to be metal, not plastic.

Thank you so much for your continued work with these important kits!

Conferencewide Announcements & Prayer Requests

Western District Conference: Pray for children attending WDC's summer story hour at the Conference Resource Library, that this would be a nurturing time of learning and fun together.

WDC Annual Assembly non-delegate fun: Not going to be a delegate, but plan to join us at Camp Copass, Denton, TX? There will be lots to do! We will have creative quiet recreational options, as well as active ones such as basketball, fishing, swimming, horse shoes, gaga ball, human foosball, and more. In addition to recreation, there will be service projects—tying MCC comforters, and collecting and bagging hygiene items for MCC, as well as for the immigration ministry of San Antonio Mennonite Church. There will be workshops to enjoy, as well. Register <https://mennowdc.org/2022-annual-assembly-registration/>.

Colorado peaches are back! Place your order for fresh Colorado peaches today just \$27 for 10 lb. box and \$38 for 18 lb. box by calling MCC at 316.283.2720 or emailing patsydirksen@mcc.org. Peaches must be ordered and paid for by July 25. The peaches are offered as a fundraiser for the Colorado MCC Relief Sale, please make payment by check to Beth-El Mennonite Church with "peaches" in the memo line. Generous volunteers Jerry & Leann Toews will bring the peaches from Colorado to MCC in North Newton for you to pick-up around August 22.

Please join MCC Central States in welcoming 3 new people to our staff! Brocia Mueller, volunteer coordinator in the MCC Workroom in North Newton; Wesley Wilder, human resources coordinator and Mahlet Mamo, young adult program coordinator.

Excuse our mess! The work of making necessary repairs and reconfiguring spaces at the MCC building in North Newton continues to move forward. Donors and volunteers continue to graciously adapt to the mess. We ask for your prayers and patience during this construction process so the important work of MCC can continue without undue interruption.

Conflict is a normal part of life, but learning how to work through it is key. MCC has a resource to help you work through divisive issues, a new adult Sunday school curriculum, [Peaceful Practices: A guide to healthy communication in conflict](#). It invites churchgoers to follow Jesus' call to peacemaking through dialogue with each other. To follow up on the Peaceful Practices curriculum, MCC has two conversation guides, to help congregations dialogue on sensitive topics. *#BlackLivesMatter: Can we have a conversation?* and *Critical Race Theory: How should race education be taught in schools?* are available for download [here](#).

Churchwide Announcements & Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: MMN requests prayer for the Indonesian Mennonite churches that are hosting Mennonite World Conference Assembly. Pray that the bonds of God's love and shalom, which participants are sharing at this global gathering, will be extended around the world, as people return to their home communities. Pray, also, for safety in travel and protection from COVID-19.

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: This week, please pray for Virginia Mennonite Conference congregations as they gather for their summer delegate assembly on July 14-16.

Delegate Assembly: Now that the Special Session of the Delegate Assembly is over, and the resolutions have passed, you may have questions about what it all means. Join Mennonite Church USA Executive Board and staff members for the "Special Session of the Delegate Assembly: What now?" webinar, July 18 at 7 p.m. ET/4 p.m. PT, to explore these questions. Register here: mennoniteusa.org/webinar-what-next.

Menno Snapshots: Father's Day has passed, but the advice that Steve Thomas of Mennonite Men shares in his blog, "Fathers" continues to encourage fathers to build loving relationships with their children. Read his advice here: mennoniteusa.org/fathers.

Menno Snapshots: At the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, Gwen Gustafson-Zook walked into a yarn shop and came to the realization that knitting would be the key to getting her through this difficult season. See how she uses knitting as a spiritual practice in her Menno Snapshots blog, "Stitch by stitch: Knitting as a spiritual practice." mennoniteusa.org/knitting-spiritual-practice.

Mennonite World Conference: Pray for those who attended the assembly in Indonesia as they return to their homes.