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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.*

### August 28, 2022

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### Welcome/Lighting the Peace Lamp

**Prelude**                      *Brethren, We Have Met to Worship*

arr. Melody Bober

### Call to Worship

Leader: Our God is within us, above us, and beside us.

**People: When we seek God together, we grow in faith together.**

Leader: We can be like Ruth and Naomi who supported each other.

We can be like the Israelites who studied God's Word together.

We can be like the host of a great banquet, welcoming all to gather.

We can be like Tabitha, serving others by using her gifts.

**People: When we seek God together, we grow in faith together.**

Leader: May our worship today be a time of us growing in faith,  
and in our likeness of who God is in this world.

**Hymn**                      *Brethren, We Have Met to Worship*

Voices Together 25

### Prayer

**Readers Theater**      *Acts 9:36-43*

**Storytelling**              *We can find joy in serving others – Journey of an MCC Kit*

**Hymn**                      *We Are One in the Spirit*

Voices Together 387

**Reflection**              *Serving*

Pete Smucker

**Hymn**                      *Teach Me Thy Truth*

Voices Together 776

### Show and Tell/Joys and Concerns

### Congregational Prayer/The Lord's Prayer

**Hymn**                      *Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song*

Voices Together 581

### Announcements

**Hymn**                      *Use Us, God*

Voices Together 811

### Sending Words

**Postlude**                      *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

arr. Evonne Neuenschwander

**MCC School Kits:** Everyone is invited to help assemble the kits immediately after worship.

## 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	August 31	Service Hour at the Church	7:00-8:00 pm
Thursday	Sept. 1	Church Board @ Vera Zerger's Home	7:00 pm
Sunday	Sept. 4	Worship	10:00 am
Wednesday	Sept. 7	Worship Committee @ Lois Newcomer's Home	7:00 pm
Sunday	Sept. 18	Third Sunday Potluck	11:15 am

## Pastor Christina's Office Hours

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

## Local Announcements

**Congregational "Meeting":** Activity reports, financial reports, and proposed constitutional amendments will be emailed to you early in September. Contact Pete Smucker, Vera Zerger, or Kristin Van Tassel with any questions.

**Cottonwood School:** We are collecting supplies for Cottonwood school again this year. They can use black Expo dry eraser markers; Ticonderoga pencils; Kleenex; and snacks (dry cereal-sweet or not, cheese crackers, graham crackers.) Place the items in the blue bin in the fellowship room at any time throughout the school year.

## Conferencewide Announcements & Prayer Requests

**Western District Conference:** Let us join in prayer so that as we proclaim the good news of salvation as Jesus followers, we can also connect with our communities by inviting our neighbors to join the table, being empathetic, and seeing each other as equals. – Sandra Montes-Martinez, Associate Conference Minister

**Women and Girls Retreat:** The annual retreat is at Camp Mennoscah on September 10 & 11. Deadline for registration is August 31. Contact Darlene Powers, [dpowers11@cox.net](mailto:dpowers11@cox.net) with questions.

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**Mennonite Mission Network:** MMN requests prayer for Joseph and Rachel Givens and their sons, Elijah, 8, and Micaiah, 4, as they adapt to life in Calais, France. Pray for them as the boys prepare to begin school and as Joseph and Rachel immerse themselves in language study before settling into ministry at the Maria Skobtsova House, which offers temporary shelter to migrants from Africa and the Middle East.

**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:** MC USA sent three representatives to the Mennonite World Conference General Council and global Assembly. Read about it here: [mennoniteusa.org/news/mc-usa-attend-mwc](http://mennoniteusa.org/news/mc-usa-attend-mwc)

**Menno Snapshots:** Mennonite World Conference (MWC) Assemblies bring Anabaptists from around the world together to worship in one place, crossing the boundaries of culture, language and geography. César García, general secretary of MWC, reflects on how this plays into the recent Assembly's theme, "Following Jesus Together Across Barriers" in his blog by the same name. Read it here:

[mennoniteusa.org/following-jesus-together](http://mennoniteusa.org/following-jesus-together)

**Menno Snapshots:** The words we use when worshiping together help form the way we think about God and others. Darrin W. Snyder Belousek of Salem Mennonite Church in Elida, Ohio, shares six criteria for how he thinks we should choose our worship words, in his blog "O Lord, open our lips: Some thoughts about words for worship." Read it here: [mennoniteusa.org/open-our-lips](http://mennoniteusa.org/open-our-lips)

**Mennonite World Conference:** MWC Prayer Network: [Click here for more information about what the Prayer Network is and how to sign up.](#)