



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 *Traveling On Medley*

arr. Kathy Smith

Gathering Prayer

Leader: Holy God, you call us together to reflect on your Word and on our life in your world.

All: *Be with us now as we sing and pray together, that we may hear your voice and understand your way.*

Leader: This we pray through Jesus, the Christ.

All: *Amen.*

Voices Together 857

Hymn *Come, We That Love*

Voices Together 31

Storytelling *A New Covenant – Jeremiah 29:11-14; 31:1-14, 31-34*

Hymn *Seek the Peace of the City*

Voices Together 206

Scripture *1 Corinthians 12:12-27*

Hymn *In Christ There Is No East or West*

Voices Together 390

Sermon *MCC Bolivia Motorcycle Learning Tour*

Pete Smucker

Hymn *Open My Eyes (Abre mis ojos)*

Voices Together 732

Show and Tell/Joys and Concerns

Congregational Prayer/The Lord's Prayer

Hymn of Gratitude *Rain Down*

Voices Together 703

Announcements

Benediction *Romans 15:5-6*

Voices Together 822

May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Postlude *Rain Down*

arr. Mark Hayes

Christian Education

For Children & Adults – *Fall of a Kingdom: Exile and Restoration*

- 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 – *God's Plan for Freedom and Justice* – In the basement

Upcoming Events

Wednesday	Oct. 26	Service Hour at the Church	7:00 pm
Thursday	Oct. 27	Church Board @ Vera Zerger's Home	7:00 pm
Saturday	Oct. 29	Wiener Roast @ Stuckys'	4:00 pm
Sunday	Oct. 30	Worship	10:00 am
Wednesday	Nov. 2	Worship Committee @ Lois Newcomer's home	7:00 pm
Sunday	Nov. 20	Third Sunday Potluck	11:30 am

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
10/16	Zoom 10 In-Person 16 Total 26	\$0.00		\$0.00

Local Announcements

Hayrack Ride/Wiener Roast: Join us this Saturday, October 29, at Butch & Marla Stucky's home. Activities begin at 4:00 with horseback riding. The hayrack ride and wiener roast follow. Hot dogs, buns, s'mores, table service, and drink provided. Bring side dishes and lawn chairs.

Conferencewide Announcements & Prayer Requests

Western District Conference: Give thanks for the generosity of congregations and individuals whose financial gifts support WDC's mission of empowering congregations to Witness and invite faith in Jesus Christ, Dwell in just and loving relationships, and Connect to God's mission in the world.

"We Own This Now," a Ted and Company play, is coming to Kansas for several showings! Created in partnership with the Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery Coalition, "We Own This Now" is a benefit for the Kanza Heritage Society. This play looks at love of land and loss of land. For more information about the showings: [We On This Now: Kansas Tour / Oct 29 - Nov 5 - Ted & Company \(tedandcompany.com\)](http://tedandcompany.com)

Faith Formation resources for you: The WDC Resource Commission has paid for a subscription for the Vibrant Faith Summer-Fall 2022 Season Pass of faith formation webinars! Vibrant Faith seeks to transform the way churches envision and design faith formation for all ages and generations in the 21st century. For more details about the webinars, go to: <https://vibrantfaith.org/masterclasses/>. To access these resources at no cost to you, email Michelle at wdc@mennowdc.org.

Western District Women: Western District Women in Mission invites you to join a virtual "Book Shelfies with Bethany" hour on Tuesday, October 25 from 7-8 p.m. Bethany Martin, Manager at Faith & Life Bookstore in Newton, KS, will present book reviews to add to your reading list or think about gifts for Christmas. A very brief business meeting will be held to vote on some changes to our bylaws and to elect the new executive committee members of Western District Women in Mission. Registration deadline is October 24. To register and receive a Zoom link, please e-mail westerndistrictwomen@gmail.com.

The WDC Historical Committee invites you to attend "Old Books Made New: The Surprising Wisdom of Erasmus for Today – An Intercollegiate Symposium" on Nov. 4-5 at Bethel College. On Nov 4, a keynote address will be given by Greta Kroeker, Ph.D. at the University of Waterloo at 6:30pm. The events on Nov 5 will feature student presentations and roundtable discussions from 8:30am-2pm. Bethel College article on the event: <https://www.bethelks.edu/article/intercollegiate-symposium-look-scholars-relevance-500-years>

MCC Buckets of Thanks: This Thanksgiving season, show your gratitude and provide hope to those in need by collecting relief supplies for MCC. The supplies you donate will fill a Bucket of Thanks (aka an MCC relief kit) for people affected by conflict or disaster around the world. For more information visit: mccbuckets.org. A relief bucket includes:

- 4 large bars bath soap (leave in wrapper)
- Shampoo (1 or 2 bottles, totaling more than 600 ml; place in a resealable plastic bag)
- 4 large bars laundry soap (such as Sunlight®, Fels Naptha®, or Zote® brands)
- 4 adult-sized toothbrushes (in manufacturer's packaging)
- 4 new bath towels (medium weight, dark or bright colors; approx. 75 cm x 150 cm)
- 2 wide-toothed combs (15–20 cm)
- 1 nail clipper (good quality)
- 1 box adhesive bandages (minimum 40, assorted)
- Sanitary pads (**THIN**; 1 or 2 packages, minimum 28 pads total)

Churchwide Announcements & Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: MMN requests prayer for Oscar Siwali and the SADRA (South Africa Development and Reconstruction Agency) Conflict Transformation personnel, as they do essential peacebuilding work in the South African context. Pray that churches in the United States will also be willing to engage in the ministry of strategic peacebuilding.

Mennonite Education Agency: Join MEA in praying for the 30 schools – early childhood, primary, secondary, undergraduate, graduate and seminary – affiliated with MC USA. MEA's monthly prayer newsletter, with prayer requests from the schools, can be found at [Prayers for Mennonite Education](#).

Mennonite Church USA: Eastern Mennonite Seminary, Harrisonburg, Virginia, began offering a new graduate certificate program in faith-based peacebuilding this fall and has partnered with the African American Mennonite Association to provide scholarships for Black ministry leaders in the program. The deadline for the spring 2023 semester is Dec. 30. Read more about the program and the scholarship here: mennoniteusa.org/news/aama-and-ems

Mennonite Church USA: Next weekend, the Constituency Leaders Council of Mennonite Church USA will be meeting online. Pray for effective churchwide decision making, as the leaders fulfill their roles as denominational elders.

Menno Snapshots: School is back in session! Dr. Michael Badriaki, the superintendent of Lancaster (Pennsylvania) Mennonite School, reflects on the value of an Anabaptist education and our role, as a Christian community, in bringing our children up in the Anabaptist faith. Read his blog, "Back to school: Q&A with Dr. Michael Badriaki" here: mennoniteusa.org/back-to-school-qa

Mennonite World Conference: We pray for the Lord's provision for the work of living out the good news. May God awaken us to his mission. May we have eyes, hearts and hands ready to receive new projects and new workers that God raises up.