

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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Seeking Peace Together

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Prelude *Meditation 2*

arr. Glenda Austin

Call to Worship

Leader: We gather now in awe of the One who has searched us and known us,

People: the Alpha and the Omega.

Leader: We come together in praise of the One for whom night is as bright as day,

People: who was and who is and who is to come.

Leader: We open ourselves to the presence of the One who has formed our inward parts,

People: the almighty God.

Leader: So let us lift our hearts and our voices to worship our God,

People: who holds us and leads us,

Leader: who is still with us –

People: now and always.

Hymn *We Sing to You, O God*

Voices Together 80

Scripture *Psalms 139:1-18*

Hymn *O God, You Search Me*

Voices Together 199

Storytelling

Hymn *God, Be the Love*

Voices Together 43

Sermon *Truly Known and Truly Loved*

Hymn *Quietly, Peacefully*

Voices Together 533

Community Life – Sharing & Prayer

Hymn *Take Thou My Hand*

Voices Together 631

Community Life – Announcements

Hymn *What a Fellowship*

Voices Together 160

The Lord's Prayer

Benediction

*Whether you sit down or rise up, whether you stay near or flee far,
 whether you live in sunshine or in shadows, you are still with God.
 The presence of God surrounds you, the love of God leads you,
 the peace of God dwells within you. Now and always. Amen*

Christian Education

For Children – *Seeking Peace Together*

- Activities to do at home
- Intergenerational class Sunday morning in fellowship room

For Adults – 9:00 a.m. Sunday

- Bible Study – *Reading Scripture with Discernment* – In the basement
- Intergenerational Class – *Seeking Peace Together* – In the fellowship room

Upcoming Events

Wednesday	June 28	Service Hour at the Church	7:00 pm
Sunday	July 2	Sunday Worship with Communion	10:00 am
Sunday	July 2	Penny Mattson's Graveside Service	11:30 am
Wednesday	July 12	Worship Committee	7:00 pm
Sunday	July 16	Third Sunday Potluck	11:30 am
Tuesday	July 25	Church Board at Vera Zerger's Home	7:00 pm

Pastor Christina's Office Hours

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

Worship Totals

2023	Attendance	Unified Budget	Other	Total
6/18	Zoom 2 In-Person 24 Total 26	\$0.00		\$0.00

Local Announcements

A graveside service for Penny Mattson and Mary Mattson will be after worship on Sunday, July 2, at Gypsum Hill Cemetery. A meal of brats and homemade ice cream follows in a location to be determined.

Project Salina is still getting cash donations coming in, but so far we has collected over \$100,000 in cash and collected approx. 6,500 food items.

Salina Shares has changed their website to www.salinashares.org and their email address to info@salinshares.org. They are always looking for adult backpacks, sleeping bags, silverware, towels, sheet sets and pots and pans. If you have any of these items, or find them at garage sales in your travels, they would appreciate your donations.

Conferencewide Announcements & Prayer Requests

Western District Conference: Please pray for churches grappling with changes in these post-pandemic times. May we find ways forward that are creative, that meet people and families where they are, and which leave behind anything holding us back. May we remember that Jesus is the same, yesterday, today, and forever – even as our world changes. -WDC Church Planting Commission

MCC Material Resources Center in North Newton critically low on inventory: Some supplies in the Material Resources Center are so low that kits cannot be processed for shipping. You can help by filling the following needs: *new* infant onesies and sleepers (3-12 month sizes); notebooks (70 sheets) and black or blue ballpoint pens. Locally, MCC distributes prisoner care and returning citizen care kits, for those kits we currently need: shampoo (20 oz or more), men's deodorant (min 2.25 oz) and toothpaste (min. 5 oz). Buy online and ship it to MCC or bring items to MCC (121 E. 30th St, North Newton, KS 67117). Questions are always welcome, please contact brociamueller@mcc.org or 316.283.2720.

Camp Mennoscah is moving forward on the M&M Project. As of now, we are close to one-third of the way to our goal of \$100,000. We have 30 plus giving units committed to being Fire Keepers and the list grows weekly. We know you will want to be in on this opportunity to continue our Mission at Camp. For more information, check out the Camp Mennoscah Website, Camp Mennoscah, or contact Tammy at: tammy.d.unruh@campmennoscah.org, 316-207-3472

150th Anniversary of Mennonites in the USA: Remember the old days with agriculture. Glen Goering and his Ag Committee have invited horse and plow owners to show how plowing was done, on Saturday, July 15, at a 22-acre field west of the Moundridge Museum, 8:30-2:00. Concessions will be available from Lone Tree Mennonite. A tent is available for shade. Bring a lawn chair. The Museum will be open.

First Mennonite Church in Hutchinson invites you to a Coalition to Dismantle the Doctrine of Discovery Movie Showing & Book Signing with Mark Charles on Saturday, July 8th @6:30pm at the church. The film, *The Custodians: A Story of Ancient Echoes*, explores the work of local landowners, volunteers and municipal government of Herschel, Saskatchewan, in protecting and conserving the many signs of historic Indigenous presence in the region. The book, *Unsettling Truths*, by author Mark Charles, is a prophetic blend of history, theology, and cultural commentary, that reveals the far-reaching, damaging effects of the Doctrine of Discovery. Stay after the film showing for a panel with Mark Charles and Jonathan Neufeld. FMC Hutchinson is located at 52 Rambler Road, Hutchinson, KS 67502.

WDC Annual Assembly: Let's Eat Local! Our WDC Annual Assembly meals are all being prepared by local caterers including Tammy's Country Catering (bierocks), Carlo's Catering (BBQ), Druber's Donus & Goessel Grocery & Deli (Continental Breakfast) and The Bread Basket (Ministers' Appreciation Banquet). Provisions for vegan and gluten free options are available. Come and join us. The food and fellowship will be great! Visit: <https://mennowdc.org/2023-wdc-annual-assembly/> for more info on this summer's assembly. WDC Assembly 1012 registration is now open.

Churchwide Announcements & Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: MMN requests prayer for Jae Young Lee and Karen Spicher and their four children as they minister in South Korea. Pray for Jae, as he serves as the executive director of Northeast Asia Regional Peacebuilding Institute (NARPI) and Korea Peacebuilding Institute. Pray for Karen as she works as NARPI's communications coordinator.

#MennoCon 23: "We live in a fragmented society. Most of us have grown accustomed to spending the vast majority of our time alone and apart, even if we are in the vicinity of other people," writes Dianne Garcia, future MennoCon23 speaker. Read her reflections here: mennoniteusa.org/creating-kingdom-community

#MennoCon 23: Follow along with the day-to-day excitement of MennoCon23, the Youth & Young Adult Climate Summit and the Delegate Assembly by subscribing to MC USA's daily email convention newsletter, the KC Sauce, here: mennoniteusa.org/kcsauce

#BeTransformed: When Marc Smithers, one of three delegates selected from Sojourner's Mennonite Fellowship to participate in "A Day of Fellowship and Discernment" for the New York Mennonite Conference, he felt apprehensive. But as the event unfolded, the intentionality of the event's planning committee was evident. Read more of his experience here: mennoniteusa.org/called-to-community

Menno Snapshots: "From the time I was very young, I wanted to write a children's book. I spent many hours coming up with characters and interesting plotlines." Chrissie Muecke, curriculum writer and editor for MennoMedia, a Mennonite Church USA agency, reflects on her experience editing "The Peace Table: A Storybook Bible" for children. Read more here: mennoniteusa.org/preparing-peace-table

Mennonite World Conference: Pray for the expansion of the Mennonite Church in West Africa – Gambia, Guinea Bissau, Guinea (Conakry) – and for new workers on mission. —submitted by Timothy Koiba

Mennonite World Conference: Pray for the ministry through gospel magazines in India in many languages: Telugu, Hindi, Bengali, Oriya and Nepali. —submitted by Raja Rao SomayaJula