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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

Prelude

We Have Met to Worship

arr. Melody Bober

Call to Worship

Leader: We have come to worship you, O God;

People: gather us in.

Leader: Some of us come full of happiness;

People: gather us in.

Leader: Some of us come a little sore from what life brings;

People: gather us in.

Leader: Some of us come indifferent or confused;

People: gather us in.

Leader: We honor you- who forms us and calls us each by name.

You are our God, known yet unknown,

present here yet unknown, present here yet everywhere now and forever.

You have made us distinctly unique and yet part of your people world-wide.

All: Gather us in to your fierce love, your tender care, your abundant grace.

Leader: We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Words for Worship2 #2

Hymn

Let's Walk Together

Voices Together 6

Litany of Installation

Receiving a New Pastor

Voices Together 967

Luann: I pledge with you to seek first the reign of God, and discern the leading of the Holy Spirit, to follow the way of Jesus and grow into the mind of Christ, to love God and love our neighbors, to study the Scriptures prayerfully, and give thanks through all things for the steadfast love and mercy of God.

Community: *We promise to receive your wisdom and offer you counsel for the benefit of our lives together, to respect you as a leader in this community of faith and endure with you in times of disagreement, to support your leadership with prayer and resources and bless you in gratitude, grace and hope for the ministry we share.*

Prayer of Blessing

Hymn

My Life Goes On

Voices Together 605

Storytelling

Mike Matson

Local Announcements

Pastor Luann's Office Hours: Wednesday afternoons 1pm to 5pm. You are welcome to reach out to her anytime by phone or text 316-288-8897 or email luannyutzy@gmail.com

Carolyn's Office Hours: Normal office hours for Carolyn will be Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons after 1:30pm and Friday mornings after 9am. Please have any announcements for the bulletin submitted to salinamennonite@gmail.com by Thursday evening.

Super Bowl Party: February 11, at Lynn and Lois Newcomer's home. Come any time after 5:00 pm. Pizza provided. Additional food is welcomed but not required. If you prefer not to watch football, bring games to play.

2024 Salina "Souper Bowl of Hope" Project Salina has asked us to help with the goal of collecting 58,000 cans of soup to be distributed between the Salina Food Bank, Salvation Army, Rescue Mission, Ashby House, DVACK and Salina Grace. A \$30 cash donation will allow them to buy 60 cans of soup (make check out to Salina Mennonite Church). We will be collecting from now until Super Bowl Sunday (February 11, 2024). You can also donate canned soup and any non-perishable food items and take them to one of the three Dillons' locations during the specified dates and times: Sat., Jan. 27 (10am-6pm), Sun., Jan. 28 (1pm-5pm), Sat., Feb. 3 (10am-6pm), Sun., Feb. 4 (1pm-5pm), Sat., Feb. 10 (1pm-5pm).

Conferencewide Announcements & Prayer Requests

Pray for our sister church, Iglesia Camino de Santidad (Path of Holiness Church) in Liberal KS, Pastor Moises Romero and his wife Teresa.

Western District Conference: As the New Year begins, we pray for God's guidance and blessings for the mission of the church. We ask for wisdom to spread His love, the strength to serve others selflessly, and the courage to share the message of hope. May our works reflect God's grace, uniting hearts in faith and compassion. Amen. -WDC Church Planting Commission.

Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus: In 2024, the Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus (KMMC) will be part of a yearlong celebration recognizing the 150th anniversary of the arrival of Mennonites to Kansas. Our concerts in April will include selections that recognize this important anniversary and our special guest performers will be the Newton Community Children's Choir. For more than 50 years, the KMMC has been sharing concerts that bring glory to God, joy to those who listen and global mission relief through the concert offerings. Men and boys are invited to join this tradition of worship through four-part choral music as members of KMMC. See the registration poster or contact man for your church. Our rehearsals begin January 28.

Western District Conference invites you to a come-and-go **Open House** on Saturday, February 10, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm at the WDC office, 2517 North Main Street, North Newton, KS. This is in addition to the WDC Library Open House and Book Sale already announced. Check out what's new in the Resource Library, browse the used-book sale, enjoy refreshments, chat with staff, and celebrate WDC's newly renovated office spaces!

Churchwide Announcements & Prayer Requests

Donations for KS MCC Sale: WANTED—Cars, Trucks, Motorcycles, RV's, Campers, Tractors, Modern Farm Equipment, etc. for the KS MCC Sale. Items you no longer need can help Feed and Cloth Thousands in desperate living conditions. ALL donations are Tax Deductible. Call Jerry Toews for info: 620 367 8257. Help make a difference.

Mennonite Mission Network: Praise God for the fruit that has grown from Mennonite Mission Network's five-year commitment to partner with Holy Trinity Brussels' peace and conflict transformation program in Belgium. Pray for Jean-Bosco Turahirwa, who developed the program for his congregation, which has members from more than 45 countries.

Mennonite Church USA: Meghan Larissa Good, faculty of record for teaching leadership at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, shares about how many churches began to view God in a transformational way during the COVID-19 pandemic. Read her Menno Snapshots blog here: mennoniteusa.org/god-looks-like-jesus

Mennonite World Conference: Pray for parts of East Africa affected by heavy rains and mudslides. Earlier in December, some 80 people were reported to have died in Tanzania after mudslides carried large rocks and uprooted trees, reaching depths of up to 8 metres. In the village of Hanang, Tanzania, the church remains standing but nearly all the houses were destroyed. Mennonite churches in Kisumu and Migori, Kenya, suffered excess rains. Flooding in Kenya continued to worsen throughout December with many deaths reported in northern Kenya.