

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.

February 18, 2024 Lent 1

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Welcome

Prelude Open My Eyes, That I May See arr. Glenda Austin

Call to Worship Based on Psalm 25:1-10

One: Teach us your pathways, O God—our eyes and our souls are trained on you.

Many: For you are the greatest guide, and your map is always good.

One: Other paths have left us lost; other ways have left us confused.

Many: You guide us along the trail of your mercy, drawing sinner and saint down this well-worn way.

All: All your paths are love, made smooth by your faithful walking. We are led into your truth by following the tread of your feet.

Hymn To God be the Glory Voices Together 84

Storytelling Tom Claassen

Hymn Spirit of God! Descend – vs 1,3,4 Voices Together 557

Prayer of Confession

Leader: God, we remember our humanity, our fragility, our limits, our sinfulness, our need for repentance. We come to you with this on our minds as we begin our Lenten journey.

People: Be with us in this wilderness.

Leader: We so often focus on the difficulty of our walk with Christ.

People: Forgive our self-focused minds.

Leader: Forgive us, Lord, when on our journey, we forget your extensive, covenantal love

for the world.

People: May we partner with you and your church to remember.

All: You are beloved.

Sermon *Christ Amon Us, Repent and Believe* Loren VanTassel

Scripture *Genesis.* 9:8-17; *Psalm* 25:1-10; *Mark* 1:9-15; *I Peter* 3:18-22

Hymn Open my Eyes Voices Together 738

Community Life - Sharing & Prayer

Hymn Spirit Open my Heart Voices Together 636

Community Life – Announcements

Hymn We Will Walk with God Voices Together 815

The Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Everyone is invited to stay for Potluck in the fellowship room after worship.

Christian Education

For Children – Jesus Brings Good News

Activities to do at home.

For Adults – 9:00 a.m. Sunday

- ➤ Bible Study *God Connections* In the basement
- ➤ Bible Study Reading *Rejoice!* In the fellowship room

Upcoming Events

Sunday	February 25	Transitional Conversations/Exercises	9am
Sunday	February 25	Sunday Worship	10am
Sunday	March 3	Sunday Worship	10am
Sunday	March 3	Congregational Meeting	11:20am
Wednesday	March 6	Worship Committee	5pm
Sunday	March 10	Transitional Conversations/Exercises	9am
Sunday	March 10	Sunday Worship	10am

Worship Totals

2024	Attendance	Unified Budget	Other	Total
2/12	Zoom 13 <u>Church 24</u> Total 37	\$1,735.00	Special Needs Fund \$44.53 SouperBowl of Hope \$71.01	\$1,850.54

Upcoming Worship Schedule

2024	Speaker	Worship Leader	Storytelling	Scripture/Theme	Music
February 25	Luann	Pete	Annelle	Christ Among Us,	Lori
Lent 2	Yutzy	Smucker	Claassen	Showing Us Faith	Schmidt

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.

My Coins Count: We are collecting money to be given to MCC for service projects around the world. Place your loose change and paper money in the container on the back table.

Announcement from the Board: On the Sundays when Luann Yutzy is with us, we will be meeting from 9:00-9:50 before church for conversations and activities that invite us to think about who we have been, who we are now, and who we hope to be moving forward as a community and congregation. These sessions will initiate and center our collaborative transitional work together. Please put Feb. 11, Feb. 25, March 10, April 14, and April 28 on your calendars. We'll meet in the fellowship room behind the sanctuary.

Committee Reports: Please turn in your committee reports for the upcoming Congregational Meeting on Sunday, March 3rd after Worship. If I could have them by February 26th, that would be helpful so that I can have time to type the church reports. You may either email to salinamennonite@gmail.com or leave in my mailbox located in the fellowship room. Thanks, Carolyn

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: Pray for youth pastors, leaders and sponsors in WDC congregations, as they accompany and encourage young people growing as followers of Jesus in today's world.

Churchwide Announcements & Prayer Requests

Mennonite Education Agency has released its 2024 Lent at Home worship guide and calendar – *Christ Among Us*. Available for download in English and Spanish at the MEA website: https://www.mennoniteeducation.org/resources/lent-at-home/

Mark your calendar now for the 16th annual MCC Comforter Blitz, March 4-6 just outside of Yoder, Kansas. If you can tie a knot, you can make a difference! Curious to find out more? Please check mcc.org/comforter-blitz or the Kansas MCC Comforter Blitz page on Facebook. The blitz takes place on Monday, March 4 from 9am-5pm, Tuesday, March 5 from 9am-9pm and Wednesday, March 6 from 9am-4pm at the 3605 East Longview Rd. Haven, KS. Questions? Please contact brociamueller@mcc.org.

MCC Material Resources Center in North Newton critically low on inventory: An MCC kit cannot be distributed until each item for the kit is assembled, but 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 sleepers (6-12 month sizes); bath towels (dark colored, light to medium weight); wide-toothed combs; laundry soap (such as Fels Naptha or Zote brands); shampoo (20 oz min); fingernail clippers (good quality); and hand towels (dark colored). Locally, MCC distributes prisoner care and returning citizen care kits, for those kits we currently need: men's T-shirts (sizes L, XL, 2XL, 3XL -- any color); men's underwear (sizes L, XL, 2XL, 3XL -- any color); men's crew socks; lotion (12 oz min); and adult backpacks. Buy online and ship it to MCC or bring items to MCC in North Newton (121 E. 30th St, North Newton, KS 67117). Questions are always welcome, please contact brociamueller@mcc.org or 316.283.2720. A full list of MCC kit contents can be found at mcc.org/kits.

Global Voices Tour, MCC and the Anabaptist Climate Collaborative bring you Climate Action for Peace! Join us to hear MCC partners Caroline Pugeni from Zimbabwe and Victor Odinda from Cambodia share about how their work supports people in adapting to the challenges of climate change. You have several opportunities to engage with our guests! They will share at: Showalter Villa (in the chapel), Feb. 24 at 10:30 a.m., Shalom Mennonite Church, Feb. 25 at 9:30 a.m., Bethel College convocation, Feb. 26 at 11 a.m. and at Kidron Bethel Village (in Kidron Hall) in North Newton on Feb. 26 at 2 p.m. Learn more at https://mcc.org/events/global-voices-tour-climate-action-peace.

MCC Central States annual meeting, Saturday, March 2 at 10 a.m. You are invited to join the meeting in-person or virtually to hear MCC U.S. Executive Director Ann Graber Hershberger share an MCC update. Please email centralstates@mcc.org if you would like the Zoom link to join virtually. Otherwise, join us at MCC Central States, 121 E. 30th St in North Newton, Kansas.

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: Tomorrow, members of the Community of Anabaptist Theological Institutions will gather for a four-day meeting in Mexico. Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for the leaders of Anabaptist seminaries in Colombia, Guatemala, Mexico and the United States, as they collaborate to expand Spanish-language opportunities for church leadership development.

Mennonite Church USA: Jonathan Kuttab, international human rights attorney and Mennonite Church USA 2023 Bring the Peace Legacy Peacemaker honoree, describes how his work as a human rights lawyer relates to peace and justice. Read more and watch the interview here: mennoniteusa.org/kuttab-btp

Mennonite World Conference: We pray for peace in the whole world: not only regarding wars which are cruel to humanity and also to the environment, but also corruption and ambition for power which harm people. God, deliver us from temptations to violence and power.