

## **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.

March 31, 2024 Easter Sunday Luann Yutzy, Transitional Pastor 600 State Street Salina, KS 67401 785-825-2663

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Welcome

**Prelude** *Up from the Grave He Arose* 

arr. Wallace Hornibrook

**Call to Worship** 

One: When it is still dark, we come seeking Jesus.

Many: The risen Christ is here among us!

One: The stone has been rolled away, walls torn down.

Many: The risen Christ is here among us!

One: The burial cloth removed, his body transformed.

Many: The risen Christ is here among us!

One: Mary Magdalene, Simon Peter, and John see and believe.

All: We find the risen Christ among us who has made all things new!

The tomb is empty, the way of Love has prevailed!

One: Peace be with you! Many: Peace be with you!

**Hymn** Christ the Lord is Risen Today Voices Together 346

**Reader's Theater** the Three Women

an Easter script from Stages on the Way – Iona Community

**Hymn** Lift Your Glad Voices Voices Together 340

Scripture John 20:1-18

**Sermon** Plotting Resurrection

**Hymn** Now the Green Blade Rises (vs. 1-3) Voices Together 353

**Prayer of Rejoicing** 

One: Risen Jesus, you make all things new.

Many: You call us by name

to come to you.

One: You come preaching peace

and forgiving sins.

Many: You prepare a feast for us

and wipe away all tears.

All: You bring life everlasting.

We rejoice in your salvation,

Lord of all!

#### Communion

**Hymn** I am the Bread of Life Voices Together 480

**Community Life – Sharing & Prayer** 

**Interlude** Christ the Lord is Risen Today arr. Cindy Berry

**Community Life – Announcements** 

**Hymn** Christ is Alive, and Goes Before Us Voices Together 565

The Lord's Prayer

**Benediction** 

**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.

## **Christian Education**

For Children – *Living in God's Light* 

> Activities to do at home.

No Sunday School Easter Morning.

For Adults – 9:00 a.m. Sunday

- ➤ Bible Study *Encounters in Prayer and Love* In the basement
- ➤ Bible Study Reading *Rejoice!* In the fellowship room

# **Upcoming Events**

Wednesday	April 3	Worship Committee	5pm	
Sunday	April 7	Worship at the Church of Your Choice		
Wednesday	April 10	MCC Plant Sale – Zerger's	Noon to 7pm	
Thursday	April 11	Load Plants for MCC Sale – Zerger's	8am	
Fri/Sat	Apr. 12-13	Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale in Hutchinson		
Sunday	April 14	Transitional Conversations/Exercises	9am	
Wednesday	April 17	Board Meeting	брт	
Sunday	April 21	Sunday Worship	10am	
Sunday	April 21	Potluck	11:20am	
Saturday	April 27	Dinner with the Amish	5pm	
Sunday	April 28	Transitional Conversations/Exercises	9am	

#### **Worship Totals**

2024	Attendance	Unified Budget	Other	Total
3/24	Zoom 9 Church 17			00.00
	Total 23	0.00		

#### **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 <a href="mailto:luannyutzy@gmail.com">luannyutzy@gmail.com</a>

**Transitional Exercise:** April 7 will be "*Out Beyond to Worship*" A Sunday for the whole church to go to a church of their choice as a way of expanding our world and see how others worship and hopefully make some connections. Luann will have questions for people to take with them to be reflecting on and observing as they worship in a new place. What people learn will be brought back to the group the following Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, at the transitional meeting. The questions will be available on Easter morning and by email next week.

**Transitional Conversations/Exercises:** April 14th and April 28th will then be Sunday mornings all dedicated to transition work/conversations for the whole morning from 9-11. We will meet in the fellowship room behind the sanctuary. There will be no regular worship service on these Sundays.

MCC Plant Sale: Plants for the MCC sale will be loaded at Zergers at 8 a.m. on April 11. We could use a helper or two. There will be plants for sale on Wednesday, April 10, from noon until evening (dark) at the Zerger home. Plants will not be priced; donations will be for MCC. Following are the plants available:

- 1. Eggplant
- 2. Celebrity tomato
- 3. Blue wild indigo
- 4. Smooth milkweed
- 5. Red Robin tomato (dwarf, for container on patio).
- 6. Butterfly milkweed
- 7. White Swan echinacea
- 8. Marquis grapes

**Spring Spruce-Up**, a community wide clean-up day hosted by local charities and the City of Salina. Join other volunteers on Saturday, April 27 from 8:00 am to noon. The flyer for the event is on the back table.

## **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:** May the Lord guide us and provide financial opportunities for the Guatemala learning tour that is in the planning process. We pray for the safety of all future travelers and that their eyes and ears to be opened to their new surroundings. -WDC Church Planting Commission

Women & Girls Save the Date! Edimental Gardening for Every Growing Space, featuring Renata Goossen will be sponsored by Western District Women in Mission at Faith Mennonite Church, Newton KS on Friday, April 19. The schedule is: 5 - 6 p.m. Browse and purchase plants from Renata's Plant Bus. Bring a salad to share for supper to start at 6 p.m. The evening program, 6:30 - 7:30, will feature music by Prairie Highway and Renata speaking on her topic of edimental gardening, plants that are both edible and ornamental. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram for more details about the evening schedule and our other WDWM activities.

#### **Churchwide Announcements & Prayer Requests**

**Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale:** April 12 & 13<sup>th</sup>, Kansas State Fairgrounds, Hutchinson. Flyers are on the back table.

**Mennonite Mission Network:** On this Easter Sunday, join Mennonite Mission Network in praying for peace and abundant life in Israel and Palestine, the land where Jesus lived, embodied his teachings, was murdered and rose victorious from the dead.

**Mennonite World Conference:** There is disruption from protests across Europe concerning European Union decisions, especially regarding agriculture in the agricultural sector. Pray for clear eyed perspectives on regulations for building a more just and compassionate society. Pray that people with passion would also cultivate the capacity for deep listening so the sharing of difference can lead to understanding and solutions instead of polarization.

MCC invites you to take the challenge: A month of climate actions for peace! Sign up to get your free calendar with a different climate action you can take each day in April. From learning to praying to advocating, this month of activities will help you take action to address climate change. Join the challenge as an individual, family, church or small group. Sign up today for A Month of Climate Actions for Peace at mcc.org/month-climate-action-peace!