

### **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.

**April 14, 2024** 

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## **Transitional Conversations/Exercises**

**This Sunday, April 14** we will meet at 9am in the fellowship room to engage in more transitional Conversations. We will reflect on what we learned and observed from last Sunday's "*Out Beyond to Worship.*" You can be thinking ahead to share with your table your reflections on these two questions:

- 1. What stood out to you in your experience?
- 2. What did you learn that you think is relevant to bring back to Salina Mennonite?

We will have a short time of Worship before we begin as there will be no regular worship service at 10am.

**Offering:** Since we are not meeting at our regular time on Sunday, you are welcome to mail in your offering for April or the offering plate will be on the counter by the mailboxes in the fellowship room this Sunday and April 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Special Needs Fund:** If you would like to donate to the Special Needs Fund, a basket will be there also. Normally we collect on a Communion Sunday, however, it was overlooked. Please note on your check that it is for Special Needs.

# **Upcoming Events**

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
Sunday	May 5	Sunday Worship	10am
Wednesday	May 8	Worship Committee	5pm

# **Worship Totals**

2024	Attendance	Unified Budget	Other	Total
	Zoom 0	Rent \$250.00		
4/7	Church 0 Total 0	\$1,400.00	No Services	\$1,650.00

#### **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 luannyutzy@gmail.com

**Transitional Conversations/Exercises:** April 28th will be a Sunday morning 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 that Sunday.

**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.

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.

**Western District Conference:** Pray for WDC ministers gathering this week for a retreat sponsored by the WDC Ministerial Leadership Commission.

# **Churchwide Announcements & Prayer Requests**

**Mennonite Mission Network:** JCS International, a Mennonite Mission Network partner in Mongolia, requests continued prayer for herder families, as they struggle to survive this year's dzud (winter disaster), which has caused suffering across 90% of the country, with more than two million animal deaths. Pray that transportation routes will open, so aid can be delivered to remote areas.

Mennonite World Conference: On 3 April 2024, Taiwan was struck by its most powerful earthquake in 25 years, which measured 7.5 in magnitude. Leaders of FOMCIT (the Mennonite church in Taiwan) report that no members are injured. However, at least nine people have been reported killed, more than 900 injured, and property damage is widespread. The Mennonite hospital in Hualien is prepared to receive emergency patients. Let us pray for comfort for those who have lost loved ones and for the people who are suffering after the earthquake. Pray for the rescuers searching for trapped people in unstable wreckage with the possibility of aftershocks. Pray for medical teams that are helping the victims.

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!