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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.*

**September 22, 2024**  
**International Day of Peace**

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### Welcome/Lighting the Peace Lamp

Miles Weathers

### Prelude

I Got Peace Like a River

arr. Fred Bock

### Call to Worship

*Isaiah 2:3-4*

Voices Together 13

Leader: Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,  
to the house of the God of Jacob;

**People: that we may be taught God's ways,  
and walk in God's paths.**

Leader: For out of Zion goes forth instruction,  
And the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

**People: God will judge between the nations,  
and will arbitrate for many peoples;**

Leader: they will beat their swords into plowshares,  
and their spears into pruning hooks;

**People: nation will not lift up sword against nation,  
neither will they learn war any more.**

### Hymn

*We Are One in the Spirit*

Voices Together 387

### Greet those around you

### Storytelling

Rebecca Thomson

### Hymn

*Thy Word Is A Lamp*

Voices Together 398

### Scripture

*Isaiah 26 :1-4; 1 Peter 5:6-9*

Vera Zerger

### Sermon

*Cultivating a Culture of Peace*

Luann Yutzy

### Peace Stories and Peace Songs

*Blowin' In the Wind*

By: Bob Dylan

Contributed by Miles Weathers

**Hymn**

*For the Healing of the Nations*  
Verses 1 & 2

Voices Together 705

**Community Life – Sharing**

**Peace Prayer**

by: Charles Kwuelum

**Introduction:** *We are called to be praying people, and to offer  
thanksgiving and intercession to God.*

*Let us join in prayer.*

Leader: That we may embrace God's peace in our world and  
the dignity of all. LORD hear our humble prayer.

**People: By the power of your Spirit.**

Leader: For governments and their officials, that they may  
formulate policies in compassion and empathy.  
LORD hear our humble prayer.

**People: By the power of your Spirit.**

Leader: That we may be filled with courage to embrace the other.  
LORD hear our humble prayer.

**People: By the power of your Spirit.**

Leader: For increased commitment toward peace and reconciliation.  
LORD hear our humble prayer.

**People: By the power of your Spirit.**

**Interlude**

*Make Me a Channel of Your Peace*

arr. Mark Hayes

**Community Life – Announcements**

**Hymn**

*The Lord Bless You and Keep You*

Voices Together 846

**The Lord's Prayer**

*Pray using the words "sins" and "those who sin against us."*

**Benediction**

*Colossians 3:15-17*

Voices Together 818

Leader: Let your hearts be ruled by the peace of Christ,

**People: to which indeed you were called in one body.**

**And be thankful.**

Leader: Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly,

**People: teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom,  
singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs  
with thankfulness in your hearts to God.**

Leader: Whatever you do, in word or deed,  
do everything in the name of Jesus,  
giving thanks to God our Creator through Christ.

## Christian Education

For Adults – 9:00 a.m. Sunday

- Bible Study – *Salt and Light Study* – In the basement
- Gathering in the Fellowship Room – *Rejoice* Devotional

## Upcoming Events

Wednesday	September 25	Yard & Garden Work at the Church	6:30pm
Saturday	September 28	Street Fair Parade – contact Lynn Newcomer	10am
Sunday	September 29	Sunday Worship - Peter Goerzen	10am
Sunday	October 6	Informal time in Fellowship Room - Cleo Koop	9am
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## Upcoming Worship Schedule

2024	Speaker	Worship Leader	Storytelling	Zoom PowerPoint	Greeter	Music
September 29	Peter Goerzen	Vera Zerger	Tom Claassen	Carolyn Funk	Lynn & Lois	Lori Schmidt

## Worship Totals

2024	Attendance	Unified Budget	Other	Offering Total
9/15	Zoom 0 Church 19 Total 19	\$260.00		\$260.00

## Local Announcements

**Pastor Luann’s Office Hours:** Wednesdays, from 1pm to 5pm.

You are welcome to reach out to her anytime for Pastoral Care, Prayer Requests or just to visit – by phone or text 316-288-8897 or email [luannyutzy@gmail.com](mailto:luannyutzy@gmail.com).

**Church Work Nights:** All are welcome to gather at the church on Wednesday nights at 6:30pm for an hour of yard and garden work and/or fellowship. This will continue all summer and into the fall.

**Worship Schedule:** There is a copy of the September and October Worship Schedules on the back table and on the wall by the Worship Closet in the Fellowship Room.

## Churchwide Announcements & Prayer Requests

**MennoMedia:** Preorders of the Anabaptist Community Bible are due soon to MennoMedia. If you wish to preorder through the church, please sign up on the back table. Orders are due by the end of September. Details on the back table or at <https://mennomedia.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=b4a84b16b10662bc9b3eb0d7c&id=8968b10d2a&e=97291a283f>

**Western District Conference:** Pray for ministers gathering for a retreat next weekend in Texas, sponsored by the WDC Ministerial Leadership Commission.

**Mennonite Church USA:** Call for blogs! Members of MC USA who were not raised in a Mennonite tradition or people who grew up in MC USA but feel that they have actively chosen to remain Mennonite as they grew into their faith are invited to submit a 500-900 word “Menno by Choice” blog about why they have actively chosen to be a Mennonite. Learn more here: [mennoniteusa.org/form-choice-request](https://mennoniteusa.org/form-choice-request) View the PDF here: [mennoniteusa.org/choice-slide](https://mennoniteusa.org/choice-slide) View the PowerPoint slide here: [mennoniteusa.org/choice-blog-slide](https://mennoniteusa.org/choice-blog-slide)

**Mennonite Mission Network:** Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for Euclides Bauza, a Mennonite church leader in Venezuela, who served as an election observer in the country’s disputed presidential election in July. Pray for Bauza’s safety, the families mourning the deaths of loved ones, protection for those who have been arrested and that Venezuelan authorities will care for the needs of citizens.

**Mennonite World Conference:** Our coming annual European Mennonite Leadership Conference will take place between 17 and 20 October 2024 in Woking/Surrey, UK. We have 27 attendees from 14 European Conferences. Please remember the preparation of the program, also the travelling and the items we want to talk, specially the 2025/ 500 years preparation and also MERK 2026.  
—submitted by José Arrais, MWC regional representative, Europe