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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/Lighting the Peace Lamp

Tom Claassen

Prelude

Give Thanks

arr. Fred Bock

Call to Worship

Leader: In the east and west, the north and south

People: God creates beauty and life.

Leader: From all corners of the globe

People: God calls us to love and to live and to follow.

Leader: In our homes and our hearts, in this church and in the world

People: We sing and serve, we hope and we pray.

All: Let us worship God.¹

Hymn

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Voices Together 182

Greet those around you

Storytelling

Rebecca Thomson

Hymn

Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song

Voices Together 581

Scripture

2 Corinthians 6:1-10

Sermon

"Consistent Contentment"

Rylee Weishaupt

Hymn

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Voices Together 419

Community Life – Sharing

Community Life – Prayer

Interlude

Great is Thy Faithfulness

arr. Melody Bober

Community Life – Announcements

¹ "Written by Beth Merrill Neel on her blog, 'Hold Fast to What Is Good'. Used with permission."

The Lord’s Prayer

Pray using the words “sins” and “those who sin against us.”

Benediction

Congregational Meeting follows Worship in the sanctuary, after a brief intermission.

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

Sunday	November 24	Congregational Meeting	11:30am
Sunday	December 1	Sunday Worship – Advent 1- Michelle Armster	10am
Sunday	December 8	Sunday Worship – Advent 2	10am
Wednesday	December 11	Worship Committee	5pm
Sunday	December 15	Sunday Worship – Advent 3 – Nick Ladd	10am
Sunday	December 15	Third Sunday Potluck	11:20am
Wednesday	December 18	Church Board	5:30pm
Sunday	December 22	Sunday Worship – Advent 4 – Christmas Play	10am
Tuesday	December 24	Christmas Eve Service	7pm

Upcoming Worship Schedule

2024	Speaker	Worship Leader	Storytelling	Zoom PowerPoint	Greeter	Music
December 1	Michelle Armster	Annelle Claassen	Annelle Claassen	Carolyn Funk	Gerald Funk	Lori Schmidt

Worship Totals

2024	Attendance	Unified Budget	Other	Offering Total
11/17	Zoom 4 Church 22 Total 26	\$2,900.00		\$2,900.00

Local Announcements

Pastor Luann will be away 11/26-12/3 visiting family in Virginia. For any crisis care needs, contact Vera Zerger during this time.

Pastor Luann’s Office Hours will resume Wednesday, December 4th, 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.

Congregational Meeting: There will be a Congregational Meeting today following the worship service. The agenda for the meeting includes committee reports, Pastor Search update, Pastor's report, financial reports, approval of 2025 budget and committees for 2025.

2025 Worship Schedule: Volunteers are needed to fill next year's Worship Schedule. Please let us know in what areas you are willing to serve. All areas are needed. Sign-up sheet will be available the next few Sundays. The Worship Committee Thanks You!

Pastor Search Committee: The Congregational Information Form (CIF) is now available for review. Print outs are on the back table and in the fellowship room on the desk. The Search Committee will have sticky notes available to write suggestions for any changes to make to the CIF. Revisions need to be submitted by today, November 24th.

The Offering Plate is located on the back table. Offerings can be left there or mailed to the church.

Worship Schedule: There is a copy of the 4th Quarter Worship Schedule on the back table and on the wall by the Worship Closet in the Fellowship Room.

Churchwide Announcements & Prayer Requests

Save the Date! The 2025 Western District Conference Annual Assembly will be Aug 8-9, 2025, at Hesston Mennonite Church, Hesston, KS. Along with others around the globe, next year at Assembly we plan to celebrate 500 years of Anabaptism. Please add this to your calendar and plan to join us!

Western District Conference: During this Thanksgiving Season, give thanks for the amazing church planting opportunities. Give thanks for the pastors & lay leaders who are ministering to the needs of people & building communities of faith, & for the many ways WDC supports them. Give thanks for the many who provide resources of finances, vision & time to the efforts of church planting. -WDC Church Planting Commission

Mennonite Church USA: Mennonite Church USA convention planners have released the tentative event schedule and learning track descriptions for next year's convention, Follow Jesus '25, which will take place July 8-12, 2025, at Koury Convention Center, in Greensboro, North Carolina. Read more here: mennoniteusa.org/news/schedule-seminar-followjesus25

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
View the PDF here: mennoniteusa.org/choice-slide View the PowerPoint slide here: mennoniteusa.org/choice-blog-slide

Mennonite Mission Network: On Thanksgiving Day, Joseph and Rachel Givens, who are serving with Mennonite Mission Network, will continue a tradition of gathering the guests of Maria Skobtsova House and the other houses of refuge around Calais, France, for a meal. Pray that on this day, God's love will be shown, so that people fleeing violence may find community and people who are hungry may eat their fill.

MCC Open House, Tuesday, Dec. 3 from 2pm-4pm all are welcome to come see the updated space at MCC Central States in North Newton. Bring your Christmas shopping list to get your alternative Christmas gifts purchased from our tree! Visit with MCC staff, get a tour while you enjoy some snacks. We can't wait to see you at the Open House, 121 E. 30th St, North Newton! mcc.org/open-house

Giving Tuesday at MCC, Tuesday, Dec. 3 from 6:30pm-8pm we're excited to host this annual evening of service to kick off your holiday season! This all-ages event is focused on service and fellowship. *Please bring new dark colored hand towels with you* – the more you bring, the more hygiene kits we can pack! There will be Christmas cards to write in and comforters to tie AND snacks to enjoy. What a great way to give back on Giving Tuesday! mcc.org/giving-tuesday

Yule love this! Join us for a live, online event on December 3, at 11:00 AM CST/10:00 AM MST as we take you behind the scenes of MCC's Christmas Giving Guide. Discover the impact behind each gift and how your generosity makes a difference. Learn more and register to join this event at mcc.org/yule-love-this.

Mennonite World Conference: Pray for the people of Central America who were affected by Tropic Storm Sara: mostly Costa Rica, Nicaragua and Honduras where there are 6 MWC national member churches. In several places, government institutions, social-humanitarian organizations and churches have been providing help through shelters, food and other material aid. For many, these natural disasters aggravate their existing socioeconomic situation. In the midst of all this, people of faith continue to believe, trust and hope in the Lord, facing these situations with a resilient and hopeful attitude. Let us pray that God, with his immense love and tenderness, accompany and help these people and countries, and help them recover from the flooding, landslides, displacement or isolation and material losses. Let us pray together that affected people and communities can find the strength, the means and the solidarity to overcome this tragedy, recover from damages and loss, be restored, and find comfort, security and hope.