

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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January 5, 2025

Epiphany

Nurturing Faith

Welcome

Vera Zerger

Prelude

Great is Thy Faithfulness

arr. Randall Hartsell

Call to Worship

based on Luke 2:41-52

Leader: Jesus, grant that we may learn from you as long as we live,

People: that we would mature in wisdom and years.

Leader: Just as you listened and questioned, grant us humility

People: that we would sit among the teachers.

Leader: We look to you, Emmanuel,

All: Jesus, teach us how to learn.

Hymn

Be Thou My Vision (vs 1&2)

Voices Together 549

Greet those around you.

Candlelighting

Reader 1: We never stop facing opportunities to learn.

Reader 2: We learn through successes and achievements;
we learn through mistakes and failures.

Reader 1: In our learning, we can also mentor others
and model wisdom along the way.

Candlelighting (the Christ candle is lit)

**All: Like a tree, may we grow in faith and wisdom
with roots spreading deep to provide grounding,
and rings of growth showing our continued learning**

Hymn

How Many Times We Start Again (All verses)

Handout

Storytelling

Annelle Claassen

Hymn

What Child is This?

Voices Together 267

Scripture

Luke 2:41-52

Sermon

Luann Yutzy

Hymn

O Beautiful Star of Bethlehem

Voices Together 275

Community Life – Sharing

Community Life – Prayer

Hymn

Jesus, Be the Center (vs 1&2)

Voices Together 584

Community Life – Announcements

Hymn

Go, My Children

Voices Together 830

The Lord’s Prayer

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

Benediction

based on Psalm 2:7

Hear the Lord’s decision:
“You are my child.
Today I have become the One
who nurtures and protects you.”
Go then, growing and learning,
as beloved children of God.

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	January 8	Worship Committee	5pm
Sunday	January 12	Sunday Worship – Sermon Reflection	10am
Wednesday	January 15	Church Board	5:30pm
Sunday	January 19	Sunday Worship - Kayt Keough	10am
Sunday	January 26	Sunday Worship – Luann Yutzy – Potluck	10am

Upcoming Worship Schedule

2025	Speaker	Worship Leader	Storytelling	Zoom PowerPoint	Greeter	Music
January 12	Sermon Reflection	Annelle Claassen	Sherry Krehbiel	Miles Weathers	Ted Zerger	Lori Schmidt

Worship Totals

2024	Attendance	Unified Budget	Other	Offering Total
12/29	Zoom 1 Church 20 Total 21	0.00	(no actual zoom)	0.00

Local Announcements

Pastor Luann’s Office Hours are 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.

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 Jan/Feb Worship Schedule on the back table and on the wall by the Worship Closet in the Fellowship Room.

Churchwide Announcements & Prayer Requests

Western District Conference: Give thanks for the faithful prayers, financial gifts and participation of WDC members in supporting conference and congregational ministries this past year and pray for generous contributions to WDC as the conference completes its fiscal year in January.

Mennonite Church USA: Registration for Mennonite Church USA’s Follow Jesus ’25 convention will open Jan. 6, 2025, for early-bird pricing. The denomination’s biennial faith formation gathering will take place at Koury Convention Center, in Greensboro, North Carolina, July 8-12, 2025. Learn more here: mennoniteusa.org/news/registration-jan6 Register here: convention.mennoniteusa.org/ View the PDF here: mennoniteusa.org/follow-jesus-early-bird-pdf View the PowerPoint slide here: mennoniteusa.org/follow-jesus-early-bird-slide

Mennonite Mission Network: Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for the Nigeria Mennonite Church and the Nigeria Anabaptist Peace Center, as they work for peaceful communities in their multi-cultural context, where Muslim-Christian relations are often challenging.

Mennonite World Conference: We pray in remembrance of one another so that God’s love, Jesus’ testimony, and the grace and power of the Holy Spirit help us to work daily toward reconciliation among people and with our creator.

—submitted by *Elkin Márquez Grisales, Iglesia Manantial de Paz de los Hermanos Menonitas de Colombia, Medellín.*