



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

Miles Weathers

Prelude

We Gather Together

arr. John Carter

Call to Worship

based on Mark 1:14–15 and 2 Chronicles 7:14 (CEB)

Leader: Jesus came into Galilee announcing God's good news, saying: "Now is the time."

People: Now is the time?

Leader: "Now is the time! Here comes God's kingdom! Change your hearts and lives."

People: Change our hearts and lives?

Leader: Yes. Repent, and come clean with what you've done wrong and the sin that weighs you down.

People: And this is good news?

Leader: God said, "If my people who belong to me will humbly pray, seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, for give their sin, and heal their land."

All: Ah, this is good news! God's kingdom is now. Now is the time to humbly pray, seek God's face, and turn from our wicked ways. Then we will be forgiven and our land will be healed.

Hymn

We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer

Voices Together 34

Greet those around you

Storytelling

Annelle Claassen

Hymn

Take Thou My Hand

Voices Together 631

Scripture

Revelation 3:14–22(CEB)

Responsively

Leader: "Write this to the angel of the church in Laodicea:

North: These are the words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the ruler of God's creation. I know your works.

You are neither cold nor hot. I wish that you were either cold or hot.

South: So because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I'm about to spit you out of my mouth. After all, you say, 'I'm rich, and I've grown wealthy, and I don't need a thing.' You don't realize that you are miserable, pathetic, poor, blind, and naked.

North: My advice is that you buy gold from me that has been purified by fire so that you may be rich, and white clothing to wear so that your nakedness won't be shamefully exposed, and ointment to put on your eyes so that you may see.

South: I correct and discipline those whom I love. So be earnest and change your hearts and lives.

**North: I correct and discipline those whom I love.
So be earnest and change your hearts and lives.**

All: Look! I'm standing at the door and knocking. If any hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to be with them, and will have dinner with them, and they will have dinner with me. As for those who emerge victorious, I will allow them to sit with me on my throne, just as I emerged victorious and sat down with my Father on his throne.

Leader: If you can hear, listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches."

Sermon *Renewal Through Repentance* Tammy Duvanel Unruh

Hymn *O Love That Will Not Let Me Go* Voices Together 608

**Community Life – Sharing
Community Life – Prayer**

Interlude *O Love That Will Not Let Me Go* arr. Cindy Berry

Community Life – Announcements

Hymn *The Lord Lift You Up* Voices Together 832

The Lord's Prayer *Pray using the words "sins" and "those who sin against us."*

Benediction Voices Together 1062

Live without fear: Your Creator has made you holy,
has always protected you, and loves you as a mother.
Go in peace to follow the good road,
and may God's blessing be with you always.

Please stay for Potluck in the Fellowship Hall

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	May 21	Church Board	5:30pm
Wednesday	May 21	Church Garden work time	6:30pm
Sunday	May 25	Sunday Worship – Reflection Time	10am
Wednesday	May 28	Garden Time	6:30pm
Sunday	June 1	Sunday Worship – Anabaptism at 500 – Part 3	10am
Wednesday	June 4	Worship Committee	5:30pm
Saturday	June 7	Amish dinner. 5608 E Longview, Haven, KS	Noon
Sunday	June 8	Sunday Worship- Pentecost	10am

Upcoming Worship Schedule

2025	Speaker	Worship Leader	Storytelling	Zoom PowerPoint	Greeter	Music
May 25	Reflection Sunday	Annelle Claassen	Mike Matson	Carolyn Funk	Lois & Lynn Newcomer	Donna Burnett

Worship Totals

2025	Attendance		Unified Budget	Other	Offering Total
5/11	Zoom 0 Church 22 Total 22		\$760.00		\$760.00

Local Announcements

Pastoral Care: During this time, we are without a pastor, the Board will try to fulfill that role of Pastoral Care. During May, if you have a need of pastoral care of any kind, Vera Zerger is the person to contact. Her phone number is 785-577-6669.

Carolyn's Hours: I will be working Tuesday & Thursday Afternoons from my home and Wednesday afternoons and Friday mornings at Church.

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 May-June Worship Schedule on the back table and on the wall by the Worship Closet in the Fellowship Room.

The **2025 Project Salina** We are now collecting money for Project Salina through the month of May. The agencies that benefit from Project Salina are the Emergency Aid Food Bank, the Salvation Army, the Salina Rescue Mission, the Ashby House, DVACK and newly added Salina Grace. Find more information at www.projectsalina.com Place your cash or checks written to Salina Mennonite Church in the jar on the back table.

Garden Time: Every Wednesday at 6:30 folks will be working in the church gardens. Come and join us and get your hands dirty!

Salina Shares: As an ongoing outreach of the community, Salina Shares has needs that we can help with. Vera has placed a flyer on the back table with a list of items needed. You may take those items and your extra pots, pans, dishes, bedding, etc. directly to their location at 155 South 5th or you may bring them to the church and put into the tub in the foyer and they will be taken for you.

Churchwide Announcements & Prayer Requests

Western District Conference: Pray for WDC members graduating from high school, college, or higher education programs this spring, that God would bless their continuing journeys of life and faith.

MCC: You are invited to attend the MCC Sale Annual Meeting scheduled for Thursday, May 22, 6:00, at Hesston Mennonite Church. The cost for the meal is \$20/person and you will pay at the door. Please RSVP to Barb BJ Reeves by May 19, 620-543-6863 or bj.reeves@live.com The meeting to celebrate our successful Sale and present MCC with a check will be held after dinner at approximately 7:00 pm. A filled sandwich bag of California almonds will be available for \$20.

Mennonite Church USA: Alicia Maldonado-Zahra shares four key takeaways from the 2025 MC USA Hope for the Future conference. This year, the traditionally BIPOC-only event was open to white allies. Read her takeaways here: mennoniteusa.org/sharing-hope

Mennonite Mission Network: Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for the Brethren in Christ Church in the United Kingdom, which is experiencing growth, due to an influx of members who have immigrated from Zimbabwe. Pray for this church as it recovers its Anabaptist heritage, gains new vitality through the faithfulness of immigrants and learns how to become a multicultural people of God.

Mennonite World Conference: Please pray for Venezuela: the country is experiencing and social and humanitarian crisis. Please ask that our fellow believers help overcome it and be generous to those in need. —Mayerlin de Pida

Prison Ministries Opportunities: Want to visit someone in prison or be a pen pal? Volunteers with *M-2 (Match-2)* visit one evening a month with an inmate who gets few outside visits. Apply to be an M-2 volunteer at www.ovmks.org/m2 and plan to attend the next volunteer training on May 19, 12:30-4pm at Hutchinson Correctional Facility (in the Old Schoolhouse, just outside the walls). *Pen pals* correspond monthly with an incarcerated individual, often sending letters through our office. Contact Kenzie Brister to learn more: prison@ovmks.org or 316-281-4721.

MCC: The MCC Lunch & Learn is back! Join us on Tuesday, June 17 from 12-1 p.m. at MCC in North Newton (121 E. 30th St.). Becky Teiwes, MCC Central State's Borderlands Program Coordinator will share about courage, compassion, and faithfulness as MCC continues to work with partners and churches at the U.S./Mexico border. Lunch will be provided for a suggested donation of \$10-\$15. Please RSVP by June 9 at mcc.org/events/lunch-learn-mcc-partners-usmexico-border or by calling the office at 316.283.2720.