



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.

August 17, 2025

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Welcome/Lighting the Peace Lamp

Miles Weathers

Prelude

Sweet, Sweet Spirit

arr. Doris Akers

Call to Worship

spaciousfaith.com

Leader: With what shall we come before our God?

People: Shall we come with lots of money for the offering basket?

Leader: Shall we bring our carefully scripted words?

People: Shall we sing on-key in perfect four-part harmony?

Leader: With what shall we come before our God?

People: With minds set on justice.

Leader: With hearts open to loving kindness.

All: With feet striving to walk the path of Jesus.

Hymn

We Are People of God's Peace

Voices Together 797

Greet those around you

Storytelling

Ted Zerger

Hymn

The Garden Needs Our Tending Now

Voices Together 788

Lectio Divina

Isaiah 5.1-7

Kathy Neufeld Dunn

Hymn

What Does the Lord Require of You?
(with recording)

Voices Together 207

Community Life – Sharing

Community Life – Prayer

Hymn

Light Dawns on a Weary World

Voices Together 205

Community Life – Announcements

Hymn

Sing a New World into Being

Voices Together 809

The Lord's Prayer

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

Benediction

Words for Worship #251

Christian Education

There will be no Sunday School during July and August. It will resume in September.

Upcoming Events

Wednesday	August 20	Church Board	5:30pm
Wednesday	August 20	Garden Time	6:30pm
Sunday	August 24	Worship in the Park – Oakdale #1	10am
Sunday	August 24	Potluck-Picnic	11:20am
Sunday	August 31	Sunday Worship – Rose Marie Zook Barber	10am
Wednesday	September 3	Worship Committee	5pm

Upcoming Worship Schedule

2025	Sermon	Worship Leader	Storytelling	Zoom PowerPoint	Greeter	Music
August 24	Wild Church	Mike Matson	all	none	Gerald Funk	Lori Schmidt

Worship Totals

2025	Attendance		Unified Budget	Other	Total
8/10	Zoom 3 Church 21 Total 24		\$760.00	Rent \$200.00	\$960.00

Local Announcements

Pastoral Care: During this time, we are without a pastor, the Board will try to fulfill that role of Pastoral Care. During August, if you have a need of pastoral care of any kind, Lori Schmidt is the person to contact. Her phone number is 785-823-0941.

Carolyn's Hours: I will be working Tuesday and Thursday Afternoons from my home and Wednesday afternoon and Friday afternoon 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 August/September Worship Schedule on the back table and on the wall by the Worship Closet in the Fellowship Room.

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

Service Opportunity: The SMC Board has arranged a service opportunity for our congregation at the Rescue Mission. Every second Thursday we will be helping serve the evening meal at the Mission. We will need to have 4 to 7 people to arrive at 5:40 and stay for about an hour. If you want to help clean up too, you will be finished about 7:30. There will be a sign-up sheet on the back table for you to indicate your willingness to participate! Thanks for considering this opportunity.

Congregational Meeting: Please plan on attending a congregational meeting on August 17, at 8:45 am. The Board would like some help evaluating our current efforts with Zoom and planning our path forward. The theme of the meeting is, "What, if any, on-line outreach should our church have?" Specifically, we will be asking

1. How does an online outreach tool, like Zoom, support the mission of our church?
2. If we continue to have an online outreach, should we continue to use zoom?
 - a. If yes, why should we keep zoom?
 - b. If no, why shouldn't we keep zoom?

Snacks will be provided!

If you are unable to be at the meeting and would like to share your responses to the above questions, please email them to Lori Schmidt at lschmidt_30@yahoo.com by Sunday, August 17.

Worship in the Park with Potluck: August 24th, 10am. Oakdale Park Shelter #1, main shelter by the playground. Bring your lawn chairs to gather around. We will have a time of singing and reflection - Wandering and Wondering through Nature around the park. Bring your favorite dishes to share. Plugins for crockpots will be provided. Drinks, plates and cutlery will be furnished.

The Salina Rescue Mission is celebrating 44 years of ministering to homeless men in our community! We would like to invite your congregation to join us for our Annual Fundraising Banquet on Tuesday, September 23rd at Webster Conference Center. Choose from our noon Luncheon or 6:30 pm Dinner to come and hear powerful testimonies from men who have overcome homelessness and addiction and are now making an impact by helping others. A PDF of the banquet poster is on the back table. For more information or to make reservations, contact Cheryl at: 785-833-6743 or email events@salinarescuemission.com. Thank you for your continued and faithful support of the Mission.

Churchwide Announcements & Prayer Requests

WDC Women's & Girls Retreat: August 29 is the due date for registering for Western District Women & Girls Retreat! Join us at Camp Mennoscah September 6 & 7. Register and pay online at westerndistrictwomeninmission.org or print out the registration form online and send in your payment to the address on the form. Printed forms are on the back table. This year's theme is Courageous Women of the Bible with Katherine Goerzen and Laura Goerzen as our speakers. GIRLS AGE 8 and up are welcome to attend with an adult. Questions? Email westerndistrictwomen@gmail.com.

Western District Conference: Pray for WDC congregations in pastoral transition, for candidates considering a call to ministry, and for congregational leaders as they nurture church life and witness in times of change and uncertainty.

Mennonite Church USA: The MC USA Executive Board thanked four outgoing members for their service to the denomination at an abbreviated Executive Board meeting in Greensboro, North Carolina, on July 10, 2025. Read more here: mennoniteusa.org/thanks-members-service

Mennonite Church USA: Sally Weaver Glick, a spiritual director, writer, photographer and a graduate of Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Goshen, Indiana, and some of her spiritual directees find it difficult to pray during these troubled times, but she finds hope in the idea of the river of prayer. Read more here: mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/river-of-prayer/

Mennonite Mission Network: Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for Pamela Obonde, who has joined the administrative team of Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission (AIMM), as a church and donor relations coordinator. AIMM and Mission Network collaborate closely in ministries on the African continent. Pray for Pamela, who is based in Manitoba, Canada, as she builds bridges across agencies, cultures and nations.

Mennonite World Conference: Thank God for the safe travel to and from the MWC meeting in Germany for the leaders from Malawi. A price escalation has affected Malawians as has a hunger situation due to the dry spell we had in January and February this year. Pray for peace in the country as we are going to the general election on September 16 and the tension is very high. Pray for enough resources for our Annual General meeting that has been scheduled from 14–17 August 2025.

WDC Affinity Group forums: The WDC Listening Process has highlighted common themes and concerns shared by congregations, inspiring ideas for helpful resources from WDC! As one way to follow up, WDC will periodically provide Affinity Group forums for interested congregational members and leaders to engage a particular topic together. For the first forum, the WDC Resource Commission will host a Voices Together mini webinar via zoom on September 30 at 7:00-8:30 pm, featuring Joanna Harader and Cynthia Neufeld Smith. Joanna is a pastor at Bethel College Mennonite Church and writes worship and devotional resources. Cynthia is a musician and retired pastor, and served on the Voices Together hymnal committee. The focus of this webinar will be worship resources and music that nurture all ages, including kids! Bring your questions about music and/or worship resources in Voices Together. There will also be time to share some great ideas about how your congregation has used Voices Together to create life-giving worship! We hope to see you on Zoom, but the webinar will also be recorded and posted on the WDC website.