



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 *My Faith Has Found a Resting Place*

arr. Cindy Berry

Call to Worship

Voices Together 884

Leader: In the beginning, before time,
before people, before the world began,

All: God was.

Leader: Here and now, among us, beside us,
clearer than air, closer than breathing,

All: God is.

Leader: In all that is to come, when we have turned to dust
and human knowledge has been completed,

All: God will be.

Leader: Not despairing of earth, but delighting in it,
not condemning the world, but redeeming it
through Jesus Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit,

All: God was, God is, God will be.

Hymn *All People That on Earth Do Dwell*

Voices Together 5

Greet those around you

Storytelling

Miles Weathers

Hymn *Come Away from Rush and Hurry*

Voices Together 9

Scripture *Genesis 1:29-31; Matthew 11:28-29*

Sermon *The Spiritual Practice of Rest*

Rose Marie Zook Barber

Hymn *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*

Voices Together 536

Community Life – Sharing

Community Life – Prayer

Interlude *Be Still My Soul with It is Well With My Soul* arr. Melody Bober

Community Life – Announcements

Hymn *Come to Me, O Weary Traveler* (vs 1 & 4) Voices Together 157

The Lord’s Prayer *Pray using the words “sins” and “those who sin against us.”*

Benediction

Christian Education

There will be no Sunday School during August. It will resume September 7th.

Upcoming Events

Sunday	August 31	Sunday Worship – Rose Marie Zook Barber	10am
Wednesday	September 3	Worship Committee	5pm
Wednesday	September 3	Garden Time	6:30pm
Thursday	September 4	Church Board	5:30pm
Sunday	September 7	Sunday Worship – Reflection Sunday	10am
Sunday	September 14	Sunday Worship	10am
Sunday	September 21	Sunday Worship – Pastoral Candidate	10am
Sunday	September 21	Potluck – Meet and greet Pastoral Candidate	11:20am

Upcoming Worship Schedule

2025	Sermon	Worship Leader	Storytelling	Zoom PowerPoint	Greeter	Music
September 7	Reflection Sunday	Pete Smucker	Mike Matson	Miles Weathers	Henry Walker	Donna Burnett

Worship Totals

2025	Attendance		Unified Budget	Other	Total
8/24	Zoom 0 Church 21 Total 21		\$400.00		\$400.00

Local Announcements

Pastoral Care: During this time, we are without a pastor, the Board will try to fulfill that role of Pastoral Care. During September, 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 and Thursday Afternoons from my home and Wednesday afternoon and Friday morning 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 September/October 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.

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

Western District Conference: We pray for protection, wisdom, courage, strength and blessings for our church planters and those who support this work as they build faith communities in difficult times. -WDC Church Planting Commission

Mennonite Church USA: The MC USA Women's Summit 2025, hosted by MC USA's Women in Leadership ministry, addressed learning to pause, restore and resist. This dichotomy was discussed by inviting participants to consider a radical way to think about rest – as not just a necessity, but as an act of defiance. Read more here: mennoniteusa.org/news/womens-summit-2025/

Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for the Mennonite Christian Hospital (MCH) in Taiwan, the largest Mennonite hospital in the world, which offers diverse medical specialties and advanced technologies across multiple campuses. Pray that MCH's commitment to serving marginalized people in remote communities will continue to offer well-being to all of Taiwan's people.

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.