



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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Salina Mennonite Church

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Welcome/Lighting the Peace Lamp

Tom Claassen

Prelude

Praise Him ! Praise Him !

arr. Frank Milholland

Call to Worship

Words for Worship #117

Leader: O God,
we joyously come together to worship,
realizing we need not summon you into our midst,
for you are here.

**People: We need not call you into the secret places of our hearts,
for you are there.**

Leader: We need
our eyes of faith to be opened,
that we may see you;
our ears to be unstopped,
that we may hear you;
our minds to be sensitive,
that we may know you;
our hearts to be tender,
that we may receive you.

**All: Grant each one a blessing, O lord,
as each has need,
in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Harry Yoder, in Prayers for Everyday,
comp. by Elaine Sommers Rich(Newton, Kan.: Faith & Life, 1990), 56 (adapted)

Hymn

Come, Now Is the Time to Worship

Voices Together 29

Greet those around you

Storytelling

Carolyn Funk

Hymn

Praise Him, Praise Him

Voices Together 100

Sharing our Faith Stories

Where we meet, God is there

Annelle Claassen

Hymn

Surely God Is In This Place

Handout

Hymn	<i>We Are the Church</i>	vs. 1-4	Handout
Hymn	<i>Let the Children Come to Me</i>		Voices Together 512
Hymn	<i>Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore</i>		Voices Together 283
	Vs. 1 & 3		
Hymn	<i>Let Us Build a House</i>		Voices Together 36
Community Life – Sharing			
Community Life – Prayer			
Interlude	<i>How Firm a Foundation</i>		arr. John Carter
Community Life – Announcements			
Hymn	<i>Go, My friends, In Grace</i>		Voices Together 810
The Lord’s Prayer	<i>Pray using the words “sins” and “those who sin against us.”</i>		
Benediction			

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	October 1	Worship Committee	5pm
Wednesday	October 1	Garden Time	6:30pm
Sunday	October 5	Sunday Worship – Communion and Hymns	10am
Sunday	October 12	Sunday Worship - Kenzie Brister	10am

Upcoming Worship Schedule

2025	Sermon	Worship Leader	Storytelling	Zoom PowerPoint	Greeter	Music
October 5	World Communion and Hymn Sing	Vera Zerger	Tom Claassen	Miles Weathers	Carolyn Funk	Lori Schmidt

Worship Totals

2025	Attendance		Unified Budget	Other	Total
9/21	Zoom 1 Church 31 Total 32		\$490.00		\$490.00

Local Announcements

Worship next Sunday: Bring a bread (precut) to share for Communion. Also, we will sing our favorite hymns as part of the service. Please let Carolyn know by noon on Wednesday, October 1st, what you would like to sing. There are sticky notes on the back table to write a hymn number on. Or you may email Carolyn salinamennonite@gmail.com

Pastoral Care: During this time, we are without a pastor, the Board will try to fulfill that role of Pastoral Care. During October, if you have a need of pastoral care of any kind, Tom Claassen is the person to contact. His phone number is 785-826-6755.

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

Carolyn's Hours: are Tuesday and Thursday Afternoons from my home and Wednesday afternoon and Friday morning at Church.

Worship Schedule: There is a copy of the 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 people to arrive at 6:15 and stay for about an hour. There will be a sign-up sheet on the back table for you to indicate your willingness to participate! Thanks for considering this opportunity.

Amish Meal: Our next Amish meal has been set for November 15th at noon. More details to follow.

Churchwide Announcements & Prayer Requests

Western District Conference: Pray for the new and emerging faith communities at WDC, that God will guide their growth and bless their leaders with wisdom and vision. -WDC Church Planting Commission

Manhattan Mennonite Church: We are invited to join Manhattan Mennonite Church at 821 Poyntz Avenue, for a groundbreaking celebration on Sunday, October 5, 2025, at 1:30 PM! They are building a new meetinghouse because they believe God is calling them to remain a vibrant Anabaptist presence here in Kansas. See Flyer on back table.

Mennonite Church USA: Emma Nord, a recent graduate of Eastern Mennonite University, spent July traveling Europe with the EMU Chamber Singers. The choir concluded their trip by performing with four other ensembles at Mennonite World Conference's Anabaptism at 500 celebration in Zurich, Switzerland. Read about her experience in MC USA's Menno Snapshots here: mennoniteusa.org/united-to-sing

Mennonite Mission Network: Pray that Mennonite Mission Network's Mennonite Voluntary Service participants in San Francisco, California — Bella Kephart, Keyan Krabill, Emmi Scott and Ana Esperanza Neufeld Weaver, who is continuing for a second year — will build good rhythms of life, as they learn to live as a household, adjust to their service assignments and integrate into their host congregation, First Mennonite Church of San Francisco.

MCC: QUILTERS CORNER IS HAVING A FALL SALE on Friday, October 3, from 4:00 – 7:00pm and Saturday, October 4, from 8:00am to noon at the MCC Central States Warehouse, 121 E. 30th Street, North Newton, Kansas. Come and shop ALL things quilting! **SPECIAL ITEM FOR SALE:** Husqvarna-Viking Designer Epic 1 sewing and embroidery machine with many, many accessories - \$4,500. Contact person for this item is Charlotte Wenger: wengercd@gmail.com All proceeds support MCC work around the world for relief, development, and peace.

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.

Mennonite World Conference: Pray for Nepal where government ministers resigned and several government buildings were set aflame starting 8 September 2025 in Nepal as protestors – including high school students – took to the streets in defiance of curfews and social media bans to protest corruption and deep income inequalities. Deployment of security forces resulted in deaths of some protestors. Brethren in Christ Church Nepal asks for prayer amid this uncertain political situation in Nepal.

Everence® announces fall webinar series for 2025

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