



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

Lynn Newcomer

Prelude *We Gather Together*

arr. John Carter

Call to Worship

Voices Together 1041

Leader: Jesus, servant, at supper with your disciples
you put a towel around your waist.

Like Peter, we protest and distort your simple parable of love.

People: Wash us, Lord,
that we may be ready to wash each other's feet
and to serve one another for your sake.

Leader: Jesus, servant, unless your Spirit lives in us,
we will lord it over the people and institutions in our care.

People: Come, dwell within us and within our churches,
that we may learn how to follow you
who came not to be served but to serve.

Leader: We pray to you,
the one who gave your life as a ransom for many.

People: Amen

Hymn *Will You Let Me Be Your Servant* Voices Together 778

Greet those around you

Storytelling Annelie Claassen

Hymn *Longing for Light* Voices Together 715

Scripture *Matthew 25:31-45*

Sermon *Cases of Mistaken Identity* Tammy Duvanel Unruh

Hymn *Kyrie eleison, Have Mercy* Voices Together 796

Community Life – Sharing

Community Life – Prayer

Interlude *Jesus Paid It All* arr. Cindy Berry

Community Life – Announcements

Hymn *Take My Life, and Let It Be* **Voices Together 759**

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

Benediction Voices Together 1035

Christian Education

For Adults – 9:00 a.m. Sunday

- Gathering in the Fellowship Room – *Rejoice* Devotional
- Scripture study in the basement

Upcoming Events

Wednesday	January 14	“Deep and Wide" meeting	7pm
Sunday	January 18	Worship	10am
Sunday	January 18	Third Sunday Potluck	11:15am
Wednesday	January 21	Board Meeting	5:30pm
Sunday	January 25	Worship	10am

Upcoming Worship Schedule

2025	Sermon	Worship Leader	Storytelling	PowerPoint	Greeter	Music
January 18	Dawn Abrahams	Pete Smucker	Tom Claassen	Miles Weathers	Marla Stucky	Donna Burnett

Worship Totals

2026	Attendance	Unified Budget	Other	Offering Total
1/4	26	\$1635.00	Special Needs Fund \$175.00	\$1810.00

Local Announcements

Pastor Tammy's Office Hours: Wednesday's 9:30am to 5:30pm and Thursday mornings after 9:30 am. You are welcome to reach out to her anytime for Pastoral Care, Prayer Requests or just to visit- by phone or text 316-207-3472, email pastorsalinamennonite@gmail.com

Carolyn's Hours this week are Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from home; 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.

"Deep and Wide" Meeting: Everyone is invited to bring their ideas and their dreams to the "Deep and Wide" meeting on Wednesday, January 14, at 7:00 p.m. at the church. Snacks will be provided.

----The Board and Pastor Tammy

Last Sunday's Worship: You are welcome to view last Sunday's service on YouTube. Go to YouTube.com and search for Salina Mennonite Church. Last Sunday's video is uploaded usually by Wednesday afternoon. The congregational sharing and prayer time is never recorded. The recording is paused during that time and resumed for the rest of the service.

Churchwide Announcements & Prayer Requests

Western District Conference: Pray for WDC commissions meeting this month, as they guide WDC's priorities to support pastors and leaders, resource congregations, and nurture church planting partnerships.

Choral Concert: The Central Kansas Master Chorale presents Melodies from Heaven, a choral concert lifting up music, memory and the spirit of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr's call to beloved community. This collaborative concert will feature Bethel College alumna Roz McCommon and her band and special guests, the Bethel College Concert Choir and the Hesston College Bel Canto Singers. Please join us for this special event at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 18, at Hesston Mennonite Church, 309 S Main St, Hesston, KS. Free admission, donations accepted.

Mennonite Church USA: Spiritual director Wendy Janzen offers five simple, embodied spiritual "pocket practices" to use anytime to feel more grounded, connected and spiritually supported. Read her Menno Snapshots blog here: <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/pocket-practices/>

Mennonite Mission Network: As Ben and Laurel Woodward-Breckbill begin their second two-year term at the Paris (France) Mennonite Center, pray for discernment about how to best use Laurel's gifts in the various ministries she works with.

Mennonite Disaster Service: 2026 is coming soon! We're already looking ahead to the 2026 spring & summer seasons! We need to know when you are available to serve with MDS so that we can determine when and where to run projects. Your response to this appeal directly impacts the number of projects that we plan to operate. The summer months present you with a unique opportunity to help MDS facilitate service opportunities for youth & young adults, nurturing the value of service and helping to teach them new skills!

This is not an official list, but the following projects locations could possibly operate at some point during some of the spring/summer months (April-September). Again, these locations are possibilities, and none of them are confirmed at this time: West Asheville, North Carolina; Perry, Florida; Pasadena, California; Spartanburg, South Carolina; Kansas Cabinet Shop (Family Project); Denare Beach, Saskatchewan.

MCC: WANTED—Cars, Trucks, Motorcycles, RV's, Campers, Tractors, Modern Farm Equipment, etc. for the KS MCC Sale. Items you no longer need help Feed and Clothe Thousands in desperate living conditions. ALL donations are Tax Deductible. Call Jerry Toews for info: 620 367 8257. Help make a difference. Be a part of the growing number of folks donating vehicles to the Mennonite Relief Sale.

Mennonite World Conference: Please pray for the stability of the currency of Malawi, which is decreasing in value on a daily basis. Economic hardship has also pushed some people to attempt house robberies. Pray for God's protection in our areas and the safety of church members.

—Francis Kamoto, Malawi

A pastoral letter regarding Anabaptists in Venezuela:

Mennonite World Conference calls on all its members to join in prayer for our sisters and brothers in Venezuela. On 3 January 2026 at 2 a.m. local time, the USA bombed military bases in the capital city Caracas and in the states of Miranda, Aragua and La Guaira. The USA military forces captured Venezuelan president Nicolás Maduro and his wife who will be tried with conspiracy to commit narco-terrorism. The president of the USA has declared an intention to "run" Venezuela and for USA oil companies to take control of Venezuela's oil infrastructure.

According to Jaime Prieto, a historian and a Mennonite from Costa Rica, this is part of a pattern: violent armies of the United States are invading the peoples of Latin America as they have done repeatedly, starting in the 19th century: Puerto Rico, Guatemala, Cuba, Panama, and now Venezuela.

Reports from Anabaptists in Venezuela:

They are currently safe in their homes but there is a general feeling of uncertainty; fear of shortages of food, medicines and fuel; and there is some danger of violence in the streets.

They request prayer for civic and political stability, including respect for citizens' rights; and for Christian spiritual resilience, as this translates into an invisible strength to rebuild the country.

To read the full letter go to: <https://mwc-cmm.org/en/stories/pastoral-letter-venezuela/>