



# DWELLING IN DISSONANCE

## 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.*

### March 15, 2026 - Fourth Sunday of Lent

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**Welcome/Lighting the Peace Lamp**

Lynn Newcomer

**Prelude**

*The Day He Wore My Crown*

arr. Phil Johnson

**Call to Worship**

One: We gather for worship, seeking a kingdom that is not of this world.

**All: "Your Kingdom come! Your will be done on earth!"**

One: We pray. Then we look around . . . Where is it? What is truth?

We gather for worship, asking questions and staying the course.

We pray again and again,

**All: "Your kingdom come!"**

One: Looking and longing . . . Where is it? Where are you?

We gather for worship and find that God is here.

**All: On earth as in heaven.**

One: God's kingdom now and not yet; here and in the world to come.

**All: Let us worship our God**

**Hymn**

*You Are Salt for the Earth*

Voices Together 297

**Greet those around you**

**Storytelling**

Butch Stucky

**Hymn**

*Shout to the Lord*

Voices Together 125

**Confession Poem**



## Worship Totals

2026	Attendance		Unified Budget	Other	Offering Total
			Rent \$300.00		
3/8	38		\$4627.00	Special Needs \$71.45	\$4998.45

## 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](mailto:pastorsalinamennonite@gmail.com)

**Carolyn's Hours** this week are Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from home; Wednesday afternoons and Friday Mornings at Church.

**Book Study:** Tammy is leading a book study on Thursday nights from 6:30pm to 7:30pm during Lent. We will be discussing the book *"Why Did Jesus Have to Die?"* by Adam Hamilton.

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

**Salina Shares:** Sherry Krehbiel, one of the volunteers at Salina Shares, invites people to donate to Salina Shares. There are cards on the back table in the sanctuary, regarding giving to Salina Shares and a QR code to make an on-line donation. Please make any donation to Salina Shares directly instead of through the Match Madness event that is held in March.

**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.

**Maundy Thursday Service:** 6:30pm April 2nd in the Fellowship Room. Everyone is invited to a light supper of soup, bread, cheese, and fruit beginning at 6:30 followed by the service including Communion.

**Easter Sunrise Service:** 7am April 20<sup>th</sup> outside of Butch and Marla Stucky's Home, 1817 E. Schippel Road, Salina, KS. A Potluck breakfast follows the short service. Bring lawn chairs and your favorite breakfast items to share, table service will be provided.

## Churchwide Announcements & Prayer Requests

**My Coins Count:** MCC invites kids (and adults) across the U.S. to collect their coins and share them through My Coins Count, often at relief sales. If your church already participates each year, please keep it up! This year donations will go to education projects, and MCC has created a collection of kid-friendly activities to start discussions about the joy of learning.

**Western District Conference:** Give thanks for WDC ministers who serve as chaplains or campus pastors in educational settings, retirement communities, businesses, hospitals and hospice programs, and pray for God's strength and wisdom to sustain them daily.

**Men and Boys retreat** is scheduled at Camp Mennoscah for April 17-19, and registration for the retreat is open at <https://campmennoscah.campbrainregistration.com> or in-person at the shed by the basketball court at camp. The retreat is sponsored by Mennonite Men of the Plains, and lodging is available in the bunkhouses or cabins, or feel free to bring your own tent. Meals are available for Saturday evening, and Sunday breakfast and lunch, so make your plans to attend today! Questions may be directed to Kevin at 316.322.5515. See you soon!!

**Mennonite Women in Mission:** Women & Girls! Come join us for our annual Mennonite Women in Mission's potluck salad supper on Monday, April 20, 6 pm at the Tabor Mennonite Church, rural Newton. Our guest speaker will be Kate Mast speaking on "Our Time, Our Stories, Our Stuff." Kate's presentation encourages us to think kindly about our stuff in relationship to our time and the stories we tell about our lives. Please bring a potluck salad and one small item that is a treasure of yours to share with your table group. RSVP is not required. More information is on our website at [mennonitewomeninmission.org](http://mennonitewomeninmission.org) or on our Facebook page.

**Western District Conference - Seeking suggestions for leaders!** WDC congregations and members embody a rich variety of skills, perspectives, contexts and experiences. We invite suggestions for potential nominees for elected WDC leadership roles that reflect these many gifts. In preparation for elections at WDC Annual Assembly (Aug 7-9, 2026), the WDC Gifts Discernment Committee is determining nominees for the positions of Moderator-Elect and Secretary, members of the Executive Board and the four Commissions (Church Planting Commission, Ministerial Leadership Commission, Resource Commission, and Stewardship Commission). The Executive Board, in turn, selects nominees to serve on the Gifts Discernment Committee. To learn more about these leadership roles, see the WDC website at Organization & Leadership. You may offer suggestions online at Nomination suggestions for WDC Elected Positions or by contacting WDC at [wdc@mennowdc.org](mailto:wdc@mennowdc.org) or 316-283-6300. Thank you!

**Mennonite Church USA:** Spiritual director Marlene Kropf invites congregations to plan a Lenten Quiet Morning as a contemplative practice rooted in Jesus' desert retreat, encouraging prayer, reflection and spiritual renewal amid life's chaos. Read her Menno Snapshots blog and download her free planning resource here: <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/lenten-quiet-morning/>

**Mennonite Church USA:** As followers of Jesus Christ, we are deeply saddened by the violence and destruction unfolding in our world. The bombing of Iran and the escalating tensions in the region remind us of the fragile nature of peace and the immense cost of war.

**Mennonite Mission Network:** Laura Schlabach served in Mongolia with JCS International for 32 years. She concluded that ministry at the end of 2025 and this month will mark the end of her work with Mission Network. Pray for her as she moves into retirement and re-establishes her life outside of Mongolia.

**Mennonite World Conference:** We mourn the faith placed in military might. We mourn the faith placed in weapons that supposedly vanquish enemies but only perpetuate cycles of violence. We mourn the faith placed in violence, as if that can bring about right relationships. Christians are called to embody a faith that seeks the welfare of others, not their demise. Christians are called to embody a faith that lays down our arms instead of participating in the ever-increasing cycle of violence. Christians are called to embody the ways of peace, not violence, as our journey of faith. Christians are called to love our enemies – or refuse to have enemies – and reach across barriers to build bridges of respect, mutuality and conciliation even with those who may be hostile. Christians are called to participate in a faith that follows and seeks to live out the ways of Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace. And Christians are called to invite others, including those of other faiths, to seek alternatives to violence and live into a different future where all can encounter life and well-being.