



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.

April 5, 2026 - Easter

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Welcome/Lighting the Peace Lamp

Tom Claassen

Prelude

Up from the Grave He Arose

arr. Wallace Hornibrook

Call to Worship

One: Listen. Do you hear it?

All: The sound of joy. Laughter breaking in.

One: Listen! It sounds like harmony.

All: Angels singing.

One: Why are you weeping?

For the grief? For the beauty?

All: Jesus is risen!

One: Yes! And creation sings it.

Yesterday's tears linger, as they must,

All: but love is stronger than death.

One: Do you believe this?

Listen, Jesus is speaking your name.

All: Our names—each one.

One: Like music of the soul. Can you hear it?

All: It is the sound of resurrection.

One: Let us worship the Risen One!

Hymn

Low in the Grave He Lay

Voices Together 333

Greet those around you

Storytelling

Carolyn Funk

Confession Poem

Hymn	<i>Lift Your Glad Voices</i>	Voices Together 340
Scripture	<i>John 20:1–18</i>	
Sermon	<i>Death and resurrection</i>	Tammy Duvanel Unruh
Hymn	<i>Thine Is the Glory</i>	Voices Together 355

Community Life – Sharing

Questions for reflection

- What dissonance do we feel here?
- How might Jesus be calling us to dwell in it?
- What opportunities do we see?

Community Life – Prayer

Interlude	<i>Christ the Lord Is Risen Today</i>	arr. Cindy Berry
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Invitation to the Communion Table

Communion Song	<i>Break Thou the Bread of Life</i>	arr. Cindy Berry
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Community Life – Announcements

Hymn	<i>Christ Is alive, and Goes Before Us</i>	Voices Together 565
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The Lord’s Prayer *Pray using the words “sins” and “those who sin against us.”*

Sending Blessing

Today’s worship includes communion. We practice open communion, everyone who chooses to follow God’s ways is welcome to participate. As part of sharing the table, we have the opportunity to contribute to the Special Needs Fund. This money is used to financially assist members and friends of the congregation.

Upcoming Events

Wednesday	April 8	Worship Committee	5pm
Sunday	April 12	Holy Humor Service w/ Tammy’s Licensure	10am
Wednesday	April 15	Church Board	5pm
Sunday	April 19	Worship Service – Jeanne Koontz	10am
Sunday	April 19	Potluck	11:20am

Christian Education

For Adults – 9:00 a.m. Sunday

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

Upcoming Worship Schedule

2026	Sermon	Worship Leader	Storytelling	PowerPoint	Greeter	Music
April 12	Tammy Duvanel Unruh	Sherry Krehbiel	Annelle Claassen	Aaron Howard	Mark Krehbiel	Lori Schmidt

Worship Totals

2026	Attendance	Unified Budget	Other	Offering Total
3/22	17	\$385.00		\$385.00
3/29	31	\$135.00		\$135.00
March Totals		\$7,307.00	Rent \$300.00 Special Needs \$71.45	\$7,678.45

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

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.

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

Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale: April 10 & 11, State Fair Grounds, Hutchinson. Volunteers Needed: All hands-on deck! The KS Mennonite Relief Sale is powered by over 1,000 volunteers each year and there are many openings available, big and small. Check out the available positions at <https://kansas.mccsale.org/volunteer/> and consider signing up for a slot or two on the Sign-Ups. There is something for everyone! See the flyer on the back table.

My Coins Count: Today is the last Day!! 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.

Urgent MCC Sale Announcement: The MCC Sale is this coming weekend, and many volunteers are still needed! Check out all openings at <https://kansas.mccsale.org/volunteer/> Or contact your Church MCC Liaison. Here are two crucial needs in the Domestic Arts Building:

New Year Cookies Frying

- Friday: 2:00–4:00 PM (20 more volunteers needed)
- Saturday: 7:00–8:30 AM (20 needed); 8:30–10:00 AM (27 needed)

Selling Cheese Booth

- Friday: 3:30–5:30; 5:30–7:30 (3-4 volunteers needed each shift — none signed up)
- Saturday: 8:00–10:00; 10:00 AM–12:00; 12:00–2:00 PM (3-4 needed for each shift, 3 signed up)

Do you have 2 hours to give? Every volunteer truly makes a difference! Sign up at link above.

Western District Conference: Easter Sunday – Give thanks for Jesus' resurrection power embodied in WDC congregations through acts of compassion and love, solidarity with those who suffer, and resistance to evil and oppression.

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 or on our Facebook page.

Mennonite Church USA: Lorraine Stutzman Amstutz, MC USA denominational minister for Peace and Justice, prays for lasting peace in response to the U.S.-Israeli strikes on Iran that started Feb. 28, 2026, and Iran's retaliation that have led to the loss of hundreds of lives. Read her prayer here:

<https://www.mennoniteusa.org/response-to-the-iran-war/>

Mennonite Mission Network: Today, we celebrate Easter and the hope brought by the risen Christ amid a world that seems more chaotic and destructive every day. Pray that God's people would remember to be "Easter people" every day, displaying the love of Jesus through the everyday acts of seeking justice, doing service and hoping for a better future.