



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.

**September 13, 2026
Season of Creation:
God's Shalom for
Our Common Home**

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Welcome

Tom Claassen

Land Acknowledgement

(on back page)

Prelude *All Creatures of our God and King*

arr. John Carter

Call to Worship

Leader: You are not alone.

You are:

a creature within creation, a part of a whole,
with a story to share, and a covenant to keep.

People: And we do not worship alone.

We are:

a community within creation, a part of God's story,
summoned by God's faithfulness to be faithful to each other.

All: *Together, let us worship
for the sake of our common life—
a life that leads to shalom.*

Hymn *Could It Be that God Is Singing*

Voices Together 42

Greet those around you

Storytelling

Annelle Claassen

Hymn *Christ Is Alive and Goes before Us*

Voices Together 565

Words of Confession

Leader: God of covenant, God of promise:

*All: We come to you in a spirit of humility,
knowing that we have not always embodied
your love and shalom
through our relationships with ourselves,
our neighbors, and creation.*

Scripture *Psalm 104; Job 12:7-10*

Sermon *Living in Right Relationship*

Dawn Yoder Harms

Hymn *Touch the Earth Lightly*

Voices Together 145

Words of Assurance *(based on Ephesians 2:14–22)*

Leader: Christ is our peace—the embodiment of reconciliation.

He has taken down the backyard fences,
opened the streets for a neighborhood block party!

*All: We are no longer strangers passing on the sidewalk,
but neighbors working together for the common good.*

Leader: Look—Christ is already at work,
building a community garden!

He has rolled up his sleeves;
he’s turning the compost.

*All: People of all ages, all walks of life, are drawn into this place,
a habitat for all in the heart of our neighborhood.*

Community Life – Sharing

Community Life – Prayer

Interlude *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

arr. Melody Bober

Community Life – Announcements

Creation Activity - for next week –

Hymn *Nothing Is Lost on the Breath of God*

Voices Together 653

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

Benediction

Leader: Life abounds and fulfills us
when we live by and for one another.

As we go, may we go together,
faithful to God and each other
so that all of us may flourish
within this community of creation.

*All: May we serve as witnesses to God’s shalom
through all our relationships that form upon this earth,
our common home. Amen*

Christian Education

For Adults – 9:00 a.m. Sunday

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

Upcoming Events

Wednesday	September 16	Church Board	5pm
Sunday	September 20	Worship Service	10am
Sunday	September 20	Potluck	11:20am
Sunday	September 27	Worship Service	10am
Sunday	September 27	Blessing of the ‘Blessing Box’	11:15am
Sunday	October 4	Worship Service with Communion	10am

Worship Schedule

2026	Speaker	Worship Leader	Storytelling	PowerPoint	Greeter	Pianist
Today	Dawn Yoder Harms	Tom Claassen	Annelle Claassen	Miles Weathers	Mike Matson	Lori Schmidt
Next Sunday	Tammy Duvanel Unruh	Mandy Ediger	Carolyn Funk	Pete Smucker	Vera Zerger	Donna Burnett

Worship Totals

2026	Attendance		Unified Budget	Other	Total
			Rent \$375.00		
9/6	22		\$2600.00		\$2975.00
Totals			\$2975.00		\$2975.00

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: Monday afternoon from my home and Saturday morning 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.

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.

The SMC Board would like to remind everyone to contact the Trustees directly for any building or financial concerns. **The Trustees** are Butch Stucky, Lynn Newcomer, and Mark Krehbiel. Thank you.

Creation Activity: Today we start a new worship series - *Season of Creation: God's Shalom for Our Common Home*. During this Season of Creation, we are encouraged to spend time appreciatively outdoors in creation. Actively honoring the sanctity of God's Creation. It invites us to tend to our relationships with creation in preparation for worship. Each week we will be given an activity and a reflection leading up to the next Sunday, bringing our experiences and elements of creation into the worship space. These items could be shared by being collected, reflected on, or photographed and brought to Sunday's service. **For next week** – Name the losses of our ecosystem or landscape by writing them down and if you are comfortable, bring next Sunday. A Reflection Sheet is on the back table.

Churchwide Announcements & Prayer Requests

Western District Conference: – Pray for WDC chaplains and other ministers who serve in specialized settings such as hospitals, retirement communities, hospice, prison, mission contexts and educational institutions, that God would provide wisdom, compassion and strength in the challenges and joys that they face daily.

Mennonite Church USA: Now available: Fall issue of Equipping
Check out the fall issue of Equipping, Mennonite Church USA's quarterly digital resource digest for upcoming events, congregational resources and learning opportunities. Read it (and subscribe) here: <https://bit.ly/4qzriOB>

Mennonite Mission Network: Praise God that SEMILLA is now offering a diploma in the Bible, leadership and youth ministry for young Mennonites. Pray for students participating in this program, whose classes began last week.

Mennonite Central Committee is evaluating, working with local partners, and responding to recent disasters, please join us in supporting: Nepal flooding response: MCC is responding to the impact of deadly flooding in Nepal. Please pray for the people who have been affected by this disaster. MCC is working with local partners to provide food, supplies and trauma support to those in need. We welcome your donations. Donate to MCC's response at mcc.org/nepal-flooding
Colombia earthquake: MCC is also providing emergency relief in Colombia following the 7.4-magnitude earthquake. Donate to MCC's response at mcc.org/colombia-earthquake

Land Acknowledgement: In our desire for God's shalom, we choose to embrace all who inhabit our common home. At the same time, we are confronted with hard truths rooted in broken histories. We acknowledge that "we are related to the earth and all its many creatures with inseparable lines of connection," but those relationships are fragile. We acknowledge that "we are gathering today on the traditional territory of Indigenous peoples." Including Kaw or Kansa, Kiowa, Osage, Pawnee, and Arapaho. For settlers and newcomers, worshiping here comes with "specific responsibilities in the journey of reconciliation with the Indigenous hosts on this land." Shalom is no small task. We give thanks to Creator, and to those peoples who have stewarded this land for generations. We are grateful for the opportunity to live, work, and worship here, as we witness the reconciling movement of the Spirit and seek to live into right relations with our Indigenous neighbors and all of creation. We recommit ourselves to God's vision of shalom for our common home and for all who inhabit it.