

For the Record

Attendance August 6, 2023:

In person: 51
Zoom: 10 devices (est. 38 people)

General Offering received:

August 6	\$na
August to date	\$na
Total monthly requirement	\$14,691

Nurturing Church Family

Birthdays This Week:

Jon Yoder

Anniversaries this Week:

Glen & Lois Oesch,
Bruce & Jeanette Flaming,
Carl & Louise Newswanger

How can your participation in the MCC relief sale have an impact?

When you support a relief sale through attending, donating, and volunteering, you are supporting MCC's work in relief, development and peace around the world in over 40 countries. Join us and be a part of something bigger than yourself. Saturday, Oct. 21, 9 am to 2 pm at the Linn County Expo Center.

The coins we are collecting in the My Coins Count fund will be used to support building a well in Kikwit, DR Congo. Currently people in Kikwit have to walk an hour 5 times a day to collect clean water.

Our annual Church Picnic is next week!



Come worship outside in God's creation on **August 20 at 10 am at Charles and Jennie Kauffman's** (22170 Finn Rd, Sheridan). We will share in a potluck meal following the worship service.

Please bring :

- a dish to share (Jennie does not have extra refrigerator space so bringing your food in a cooler is appreciated)
- your own plates, silverwear and cups
- your own chair.

Water and lemonade will be provided.

Our church year starts afresh in September with the re-start of Sunday School classes, a new interim pastor, and new people on committees. **Sunday school classes for adults, youth and children will start on September 10 at 9:30 am.** Coffee time in the fellowship hall will be from 10:30-10:45, and **worship services begin at 10:45 am.**

It's time to update your subscription preference to **Rejoice** devotional. Please contact Trudy in the church office (office@salemmennonitechurch.org or cell 503-949-7290) and let me know if you'd like to start getting Rejoice, continue receiving Rejoice, or cancel your subscription. The cost for this publication is paid by the church. Our subscription comes quarterly, so any changes will take effect in December, but the deadline to make subscription changes is September 1.



Salem Mennonite Church

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Worship: Sundays at 10:00 am (for July and August)

Salem Mennonite invites all to join us for worship and fellowship. Our prayer is that everyone who enters here may be received as Christ. We celebrate the image of God in all people and publicly affirm that persons of every gender identity and sexual orientation are welcome to participate in our life and ministry.

Mission Statement: Salem Mennonite Church commits to hear and live God's call to be followers of Jesus Christ and to grow as a worshipping community of faith and reconciliation, where peace, joy and healing are experienced in the church and shared with others.

Salem Mennonite Church Worship Service August 13, 2023

We Gather and Prepare

Prelude -Martin Klein
Gathering Hymn **VT 25** "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship"-John Beechy
Guided Prayer -Jon Newswanger
Hymns **VT 103** "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"
VT 57 "Holy Spirit, Come with Power"

We Hear God's Word

Message for Children **VT 511** "Come on Children" -
Scripture Ephesians 2:11-22 -Jon Newswanger
Message *Our Identity and Being One in Christ* -Brent Kauffman

We Respond

Hymn of Response **VT 549** "Be Thou My Vision"
Prayer for Offering -Jon Newswanger
Offering /My Coins Count -Martin Klein

We Share

Blessing of College Students
Announcements -Beth Sell
Sharing and Prayer Ending with Lord's Prayer*
* forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who have sinned against us

We Go Forth

Sending Hymn **VT 832** "The Lord Lift You Up"
Sending Words -Brent Kauffman

Ushers today: Dennis Kauffman, Florence Gingrich **Sound/Zoom Tech:**Jennifer Gingerich
Nursery Volunteer Today: Ryan Nisly

Ephesians 2:11-22 (NRSV)

One in Christ

¹¹So then, remember that at one time you gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision"—a circumcision made in the flesh by human hands— ¹²remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us, ¹⁵abolishing the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶and might reconcile both to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near, ¹⁸for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹So then, you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone; ²¹in him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord, ²²in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

Coming Up

This Week: August 13-19, 2023

Wed 7:00 am Women's Breakfast (Zoom)
Thurs 6:30 pm Pastoral Search Comm. Mtg.

Sunday, August 20, 2023

10:00 am Church Picnic/Potluck at Charles and Jennie Kauffman's.
(No service at Salem Mennonite and not on Zoom)

Sunday, September 3, 2023

10:45 am Worship Service returns to 10:45 start time. Message by Interim Pastor Marlene Bogard

Full calendar of events at www.salemmennonitechurch.org

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