



First
Presbyterian
CHURCH SALINA

3rd Sunday of Easter
April 19, 2026



Christ and his disciples on the road to Emmaus
Jan Wildens, 1585-1653

*for those who wish to stand
Bold print indicates congregational participation

Today's Liturgy written by Ashley Mertz for Presbyterian Outlook, 2026

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

PRELUDE *Now the Green Blade Rises* Haan

WELCOME Phil Price

*please sign the act of friendship pad

BREATH PRAYER *Inhale: "God is alive."
Exhale: "And God's breath is freedom."*

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 116)

One: I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the Lord.

All: I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people,

One: in the courts of the house of the Lord, in your midst, O Jerusalem.

All: Praise the Lord!

*OPENING HYMN *The Day of Resurrection!* #233

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, even as we proclaim the saving life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we fail to see the living Christ in our midst. We find ourselves preoccupied with our own well-being and success, forgetting your imperative to love our neighbor as ourselves. We turn away from systems that challenge our way of thinking, choosing to justify our actions instead of examining our intentions. Show us again how to live a resurrection faith, a faith that sees life and hope in the midst of death and destruction. Transform our hearts so that where they are hardened toward you, neighbor and self, they may once again be filled with love and moved to actions of grace and mercy. In your holy name, we pray.

TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

One: In Acts 2:39, Peter says: "For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." Receive the good news, Children of God, you are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God.

*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be.

World without end. Amen.

WELCOME THE CHILDREN

Heidi Paquin

This, this is where children belong.

Welcomed as part of the worshiping throng.

Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song:

This is where children belong.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

Page 753 OT

One: The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand for ever.

All: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

O Morn of Beauty

Sibelius

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 24:13-35

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One: This is God's word to us.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Recognizing Jesus

Phil Price

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Confession of Belhar)

All: We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another; that unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ; that through the working of God's Spirit it is a binding force, yet simultaneously a reality which must be earnestly pursued and sought: one which the people of God must continually be built up to attain. That this unity must become visible so that the world may believe that separation, enmity and hatred between people and groups is sin which Christ has already conquered, and accordingly that anything which threatens this unity may have no place in the church and must be resisted.

*HYMN OF AFFIRMATION

Now Thank We All Our God

#643

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

GIVING OF OUR GIFTS

To give online, visit <https://www.fpcsalina.org/give>. To give over the phone, text FPCSalina and your dollar amount to 73256 or download our Realm Connect App.



CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Now the Spring Has Come Again

Elmore

*DOXOLOGY

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

#606

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

SENT OUT TO BEAR GOD'S WORD IN THE WORLD

*SENDING HYMN

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

#248

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Now Thank We All Our God

Karg-Elert

*Chancel flowers are from the Renfro Family in honor of
Craig Renfro's birthday*



TODAY'S VOLUNTEERS:

Worship Assistant: *Amanda Littell*

Hospitality Host: *Becky & Tim Maguffee*

Usher: *Heather & Boyd Smith*

Guest Musician: *Ruth Ascher*

Weekly Glance

MONDAY, April 20: 5:15pm – Session

TUESDAY, April 21: 4:30pm – Deacons

WEDNESDAY, April 22: Salina Grace meal prep & serve

4:00pm – FBI

6:30pm – GodSquad

6:30pm – Choir Practice

THURSDAY, April 23: 7:00am – HeBrews

SUNDAY, April 26: 9:00am – Adult Class

10:00am – Worship, Sanctuary

11:00am – Fill Weekend Food Bags

11:15am – Adult Class



Fill the
FREEZER

Sunday
April 19
11:00 - 1:00PM
Kitchen



MATTHEW 25

**Assemble
Weekend
Food Bags**



MATTHEW 25

April 26 After Worship

Salina Grace Resource Center



Collecting through the
month of **May**

**WE ARE
PROUD**

PARTICIPANTS OF



The city that cares about its hungry.
**PROJECT
SALINA
INC.**

Feeding the hungry in Salina since 1990!



**High School
Senior Sunday**

**class
of
2026**

May 3, 2026





You are invited to sign up, using the form below, as a Sunday Chancel flower donor for any Sunday in 2026. Perhaps there is a particular date that is important to you to honor or memorialize someone. All donors (whether there is one or ten) and those memorialized or honored will be listed in the bulletin on the date desired.

The cost is \$30.00.

Please contact the office with any questions at communications@fpcsalina.org or 785-825-0226.

Please list date desired: _____

Please list the way you want your name(s) listed as donor:

Given in Memory of Honor of _____

Do you wish to Donate or Keep the flowers?

If donated, the bouquet will be delivered to a member of the congregation as pre-determined by the Deacons.

Return the form with your payment of \$30 to:
First Presbyterian Church 308 S 8th St, Salina, KS 67401





For Your Information:

- FPC's Nursery, located on the second floor, is available for any child under the age of 6. We also have a playground in the parlor – a space for parents and younger children to be close to the sanctuary during worship.
- **Worship bags** for children of all ages are located in the lobby. When you are finished with the bag, please put it in the basket so that it can be replenished and straightened.
- Extra hymnals, including large print, and Bibles are available in the back of the sanctuary.
- The sanctuary is equipped with a Hearing Loop. Please switch your hearing aid to t-coil to use. *Please see your audiologist to activate your t-coil if you haven't done so yet.* Headsets are also available. **Please sit in center section of Sanctuary.**



Faith Formation Programs:

- **FBI-In-Training** is our Faith Formation program for children age 2 through Pre-K.
- **FBI** (Faithful Bible Investigators) is our Faith Formation program for children in grades K-5.
 - FBI & FBI-In-Training meet every Wednesday during the school year at 3:45 pm.
- **God Squad** is our 6th-8th grade Youth Bible Study that meets every other Wednesday during the school year from 6:30-7:45 pm in the Youth Room or a restaurant.
- **HeBrews** is our 9th-12th grade Youth Bible Study that meets every Thursday during the school year at 7:00 am at Mokas on Crawford. The name is derived from *Hebrews 10:25*.

CHURCH STAFF

Ministers: *Every Member of Congregation*
Pastor/ Head of Staff: *Rev. Phil Price*
Administrative Coordinator: *Nicole Olson*
Bookkeeper: *Kathleen Pierson*
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Nursery Caregivers: *Kirsten Lilak & Haley Lindenmuth*
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Music Director: *Dr. Richard Koshgarian*
Musician: *Parker Freeland*
Worship A/V Tech: *Jesse Smith*

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