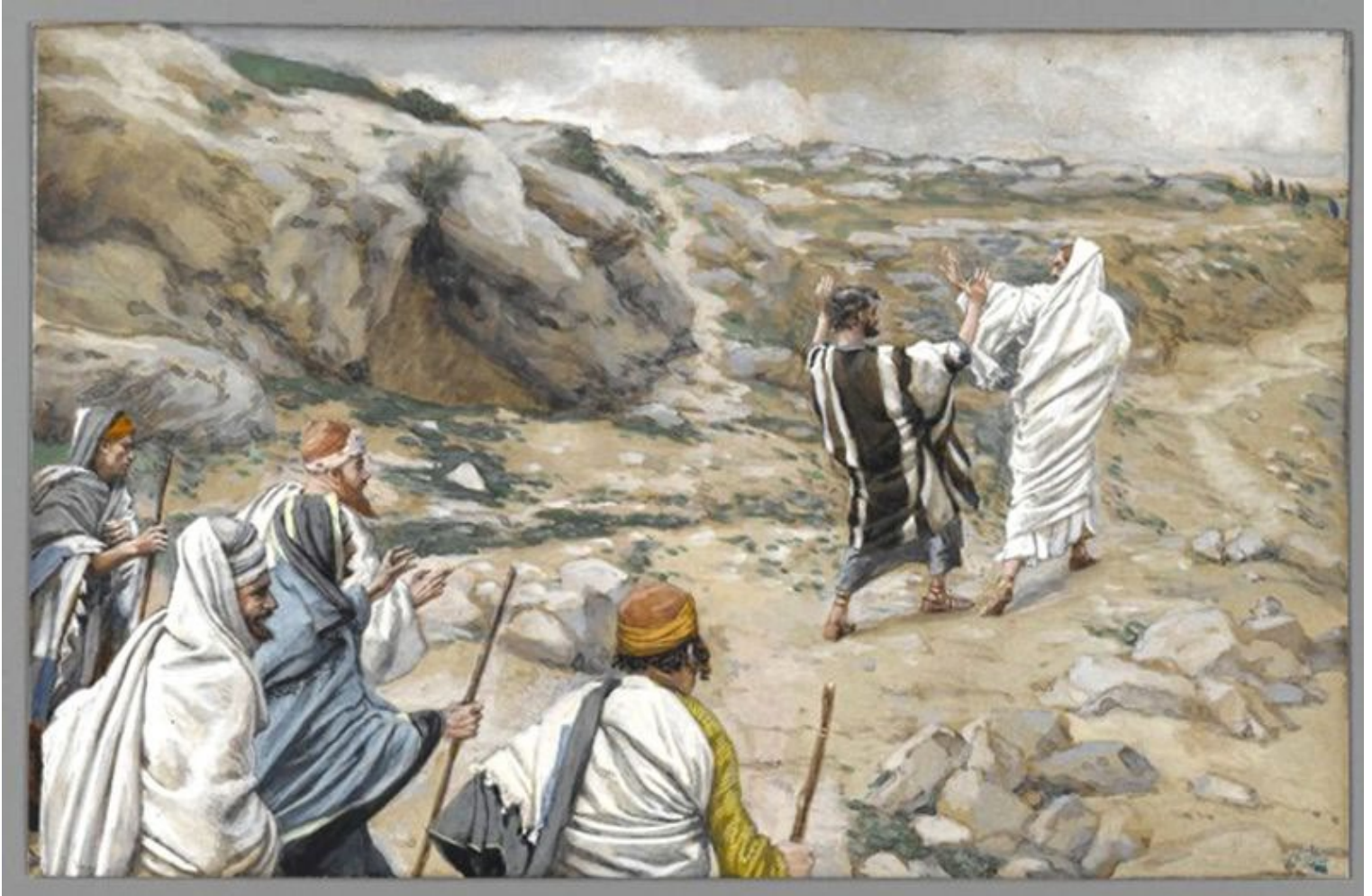


August 30, 2026



Get Thee Behind Me, Satan!

James Tissot, 1886

*for those who wish to stand

Bold print indicates congregational participation

Today's Liturgy written by Jeny Carlson for Presbyterian Outlook, 2026

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Jessie Kuehner

*please sign the act of friendship pad

BREATH PRAYER

Inhale: "I choose a life enchanted."

Exhale: "There is miracle in the mundane."

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Sing a song of Thanksgiving.

All: Declare God's wonderous deeds.

One: For the Lord dwells among the people;

All: the glory of God abides with us.

*OPENING HYMN

Lord, Speak for Me, for I am Yours

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CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we confess that our love for you and for others has not been genuine. We have not held fast to what is good, and we have lagged in affection for our brothers and sisters. We have not been patient in suffering, nor have we persevered in prayer. We have repaid evil for evil and have failed to live peaceably with all. Forgive us our sin free us from fear of the power of evil, and help us trust in the power of your everlasting goodness; We pray it in Jesus' name, and for his sake...

TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS (*based on Isaiah 51:4 and Matthew 16:19*)

One: Friends, hear the good news: Christ has broken the power of sin and evil and has opened to us the way of eternal life. Believe the promise of the Gospel:

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

Glory to God

***Glory to God, glory to God,
glory in the highest!
Glory to God, Glory to God,
alleluia, alleluia!***

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 26:1-8

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

All: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

My Alleluia

Sorenson

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 16:21-28

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One: This is God's word to us.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Hard Truths"

Jessie Kuehner

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from Apostles Creed)

**All: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by
the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day
He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on
the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come
to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy
catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the
resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen**

*HYMN OF AFFIRMATION

O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go

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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

Offertory

Beck

*DOXOLOGY

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*OFFERTORY PRAYER

SENT OUT TO BEAR GOD'S WORD IN THE WORLD

*SENDING HYMN

Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken

#498

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

TODAY'S VOLUNTEERS:

Worship Assistant: *Sarah Payne*

Hospitality Host: *Hannah Peckam*

Ushers: *The Speer Family*

Weekly Glance

MONDAY, August 31: 11:00am – Carol Exline Service

TUESDAY, Sept 1: 5:15pm – Faith Formation

WEDNESDAY, Sept 2: Salina Grace meal prep & serve
4:30pm – Worship Committee

THURSDAY, Sept 3: 7:00am – HeBrews
4:00pm – Nominating Committee
4:30pm – Building & Grounds Committee
4:30pm – Finance Committee

SUNDAY, Sept 6: 10:00am – Worship, Sanctuary

Adult Education in August

**Sunday's, 9:00am & 11:15am
Conference Room**

TheoEd is a faith-based speaker series that brings together leading thinkers in the church and the academy to give the talk of their lives in 20 minutes or less. Its speakers deliver neither sermons nor traditional lectures. Rather they offer highly polished, no-notes, TED-style talks that seek to spark conversations about God, religion, and the power of faith to change lives and communities.

TheoEd
Brief Talks. Big Ideas.

August 30th – An Ethics of Dust, Luke A. Perry:
Rev. Dr. Luke Powery dives into the issues of race through a theology of dust, challenging listeners to think beyond our racial identities and acknowledge our need for one another.

Looking Forward

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30	31	1 FAITH FORMATION, 5:15	2 SALINA GRACE PREP & SERVE WORSHIP CMTE, 4:30	3 HEBREWS, 7:00 NOMINATING CMTE, 4:00 BUILDING & GROUNDS, 4:30 FINANCE CMTE, 4:30	4	5
← PHIL & KATHY ON VACATION →						
6 WORSHIP, 10:00 	7 LABOR DAY ★ DAY ★ FPC CLOSED	8	9 SALINA GRACE PREP & SERVE FBI, 4:00 SOCIAL JUSTICE & MISSION, 5:30 CHOIR, 6:30	10 HEBREWS, 7:00	11	12
← PHIL & KATHY ON VACATION →						
13 ADULT ED, 9:00 WORSHIP, 10:00 WEEKEND FOOD BAGS, 11:00 ADULT ED, 11:15	14 CARD MAKING, 9:30 SOUNDBITES, 12:00 PERSONNEL, 3:30	15 DEACONS, 4:30	16 SALINA GRACE PREP & SERVE FBI, 4:00 GOD SQUAD, 6:30 CHOIR, 6:30	17 HEBREWS, 7:00	18	19 FILL THE FREEZER, 2:00
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WILLING
TO **VOLUNTEER?**

**Contact Sarah Payne
to volunteer for
Worship Assitant &
Ushers!**



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*
Building & Grounds Coordinator: *Steve Fowler*
Week Day Custodian: *Dennis Augustine*
Sunday Custodian: *Kirsten Lilak*

Children's Ministry Director: *Heidi Paquin*
CE Assistant: *Meghan Hessman*
Nursery Caregivers: *Kirsten Lilak & Haley Lindenmuth*
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Musician: *Parker Freeland*
Worship A/V Tech: *Jesse Smith*

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