First Presbyterian CHURCH SALINA

November 22, 2026

Reign of Christ



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

Today's Liturgy written by Rev. Dr. Aaron Pratt Shepherd for Presbyterian Outlook, 2026

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME Phil Price
*please sign the act of friendship pad

BREATH PRAYER *Inhale: "God, how long?"*
Exhale: "Justice is coming."

CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from Psalm 100)

One: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

All: Worship the Lord with gladness! Come into God's presence with singing!

One: Know this! The Lord is God!

All: We are God's people, and the sheep of God's pasture.

One: So, enter God's gates with thanksgiving, and come into the sanctuary with praise.

All: Let us give thanks to God and bless God's holy name.

One: For the Lord is good;

All: God's steadfast love endures forever! God's faithfulness is for all generations!

One: Come, let us worship God!

*OPENING HYMN *Come, Christians, Join to Sing* #267

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, you are God of all creation, from beginning to end. All authority and power to direct the ways of the world are in your hands. Yet you saw fit to outfit humankind with the same freedom to choose and act that you have. We thank you for this power, but confess we often misuse it. We choose to do the things we know not to do. We take advantage, even as we sense our conscience pulling us away from what is wrong. We deny our own agency and claim "it is what it is" about the sufferings and injustices of the world when we should be working to make a change. Forgive us, Merciful God, of our shallowness of heart and slowness of action. Fill us with the Spirit of Christ, the advocate for the least among us, that we be empowered to do justly, love kindness and walk humbly before you. Through our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS (adapted from Romans 8:33-34)

One: Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ who died, or rather, who was raised, who is also at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us. So believe the Good News:

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen.

*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 95:1-7 Page 735 OT

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

All: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *Come Thou Fount* Arr. Smith

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 25:31-46 Page 42 NT

One: This is God's word to us.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON *The Shepherd's Sheep* Phil Price

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Theological Declaration of Barmen)

All: As Jesus Christ is God's assurance of the forgiveness of all our sins, so in the same way and with the same seriousness is he also God's mighty claim upon our whole life. Through him befalls us a joyful deliverance from the godless fetters of this world for a free, grateful service to his creatures. Therefore we reject the false doctrine, as though there were areas of our life in which we would not belong to Jesus Christ, but to other lords — areas in which we would not need justification and sanctification through him. Amen.

*HYMN OF AFFIRMATION *Today We All Are Called to Be* #757

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 *Amazing Grace* Arr. Raney

*DOXOLOGY #609

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

SENT OUT TO BEAR GOD'S WORD IN THE WORLD

*SENDING HYMN *A Mighty Fortress* #275

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CALLED CONGREGATIONAL MEETING Elect Class of 2028

POSTLUDE

Chancel flowers have been given by Monte and Penni White and Family in honor of Sandy Mills Birthday
AND
Given by Mary Andersen in memory of A Jay Andersen and Victoria Andersen





The white flower on the chancel is in memory of Donna L. Fitgerald and Art Neuburger.

TODAY'S VOLUNTEERS:

Worship Assistant: *Jo Buchanan*
Hospitality Host: *Ann Payne*
Ushers: *The Speer Family*

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: NOVEMBER 22, 2026
ELECTION OF OFFICERS & ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE TRUSTEES

The Session of First Presbyterian Church, Salina, has called a congregational meeting immediately following today's worship for the purpose of:
Election of new Ruling Elders, Deacons, And Endowment Committee Trustees as put forward by the Nominating Committee.

SESSION

Class of 2027 (unexpired term**)**
Term is January 1, 2027 – December 31, 2027
Jan Denning – Social, Justice & Mission

Class of 2028
Term is January 1, 2027 – December 31, 2028

Bill Cathcart-Rake – Building & Grounds
Becky Cram – Worship
Will Exline – Finance/Stewardship
Sarah Payne – Worship
Chris Rupe – Personnel
Monte White – Nominating

DEACONS

Class of 2027 (unexpired term**)**
Term is January 1, 2027 – December 31, 2027
Penni White

Class of 2028
Term is Jan 1, 2027 – Dec 31, 2028

Jo Buchanan
Anne Davidson
Sara Johnston
Regina Miller
Alice Herrman
Sallie Morrison

Endowment Committee Trustee, Class of 2029
Term is January 1, 2027 – December 31, 2029
Shannon Buchanan

2027 Nominating Committee
At Large Members:

Tom Gates
Ann Knowles
Heather Smith
Bruce Wyatt
Charlie Zizumbo

Weekly Glance

WEDNESDAY, November 25: Salina Grace meal prep & serve
6:30pm – Choir

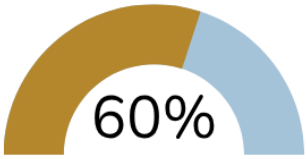
THURSDAY, November 26: Happy Thanksgiving!
FPC Closed

FRIDAY, November 27: FPC Closed

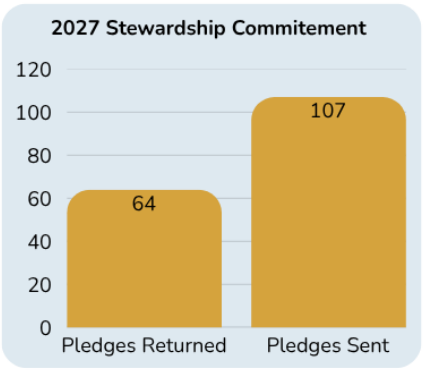
SUNDAY, November 29: 10:00am – Worship, Sanctuary
11:00am – Decorate Sanctuary

2027 Stewardship Season

Thank you to those that have returned their pledge commitments!



of **pledge commitment letters** returned.



Looking Forward

December

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29	30	1	2 SALINA GRACE PREP & SERVE FBI, 4:00 WORSHIP, 4:30 CHOIR, 6:30	3 HEBREWS, 7:00 BUILDING & GROUNDS, 4:30 Women's Social 5:00 - 7:00	4	5
6 CHILDREN'S PAGEANT ADULT ED, 9:00 WORSHIP, 10:00 ADULT ED, 11:15	7 CARD MAKING, 9:30 PERSONNEL, 3:30	8 FAITH FORMATION, 5:15	9 SALINA GRACE PREP & SERVE FBI, 4:00 SOCIAL JUSTICE & MISSION, 5:30 CHOIR, 6:30	10 HEBREWS, 7:00	11	12
13 CHORAL CANTATA ADULT ED, 9:00 WORSHIP, 10:00 ADULT ED, 11:15 FILL THE FREEZER, 11:15	14 SOUNDBITES, 12:00	15	16 SALINA GRACE PREP & SERVE FBI, 4:00 GOD SQUAD, 6:30 CHOIR, 6:30	17 HEBREWS, 7:00	18	19
20 ADULT ED, 9:00 WORSHIP, 10:00 ADULT ED, 11:15 WEEKEND FOOD BAGS, 11:00	21 SESSION, 5:15	22 DEACONS, 4:30	23 SALINA GRACE PREP & SERVE CHOIR, 6:30	24 Christmas Eve SERVICE, 5:00	25 Merry Christmas FPC CLOSED	26



Poinsettias

The Board of Deacons invites you to share in providing **poinsettias** as Christmas gifts to nursing home and home bound members of the church. *Cost is $16 per plant.*

Poinsettias will decorate the sanctuary during Advent and Christmas Eve. You may pick up your plant(s) for your own use following the Christmas Eve service if you designate on the form below that you wish to do so.

Please complete the form below and return with your payment to the church office no later than **Thursday, Dec. 3rd .**

I Would Like To Purchase # _____ of Poinsettia(s). *$16 ea*

I Want To ☐Donate Plant(s) **Or** ☐Pick Up Plant(s)

Printed Name of Donor(s): _____

GIVEN IN **MEMORY** OF: _____

GIVEN IN **HONOR** OF: _____



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 prayground 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*
Youth Volunteer Leaders: *Makenzi & Trey Cullins,*
Music Director: *Dr. Richard Koshgarian*
Musician: *Parker Freeland*
Worship A/V Tech: *Jesse Smith*

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