



First  
Presbyterian  
CHURCH SALINA

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany

### January 18, 2026



***Christ Blessing Saint John the Baptist***

Moretto, da Brescia, 1520

\*for those who wish to stand

**Bold** print indicates congregational participation

Today's Liturgy written by Stephanie Sorge for Presbyterian Outlook, 2026

## GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

PRELUDE

*Amazing Grace*

Young

WELCOME

Pastor Phil Price

\*please sign the act of friendship pad

## BREATH PRAYER

*Inhale: "God, guide my dreaming."*

*Exhale: "Show me the path to liberation."*

## CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God calls us here together — each of us, all of us, our whole selves.

**All: We bring our questions, our longings, our hopes, our dreams and our fears.**

One: Jesus invites us to come and see where God is at work.

**All: Across the street and across the globe, Jesus is present.**

One: Within these walls and within our hearts, God is here.

**All: Let us worship the God who reaches out in love and invites us to come and see!**

## \*OPENING HYMN

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

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## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (based on Psalm 40)

**Saving God, we confess that we often have not waited patiently for you. We have preferred to sing our own song, to go our own way, and to put our trust in idols, institutions and individual strength rather than trusting you. We confess that it is easier to bring you sacrifices and offerings, rather than offering our lives to you. We search for delight in all the wrong places. We keep quiet about the ways we have experienced your love and presence, and we fail to invite others to come and see you, the source of life and love, at work all around us. Forgive us, God. Abide in us until your new song of hope and redemption pours from our lips, and your love is shared in our words and deeds.**

### *TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION*

### ASSURANCE OF GRACE (based on Psalm 40)

One: God inclines to us, rescues us and sets us again on solid ground. God has not withheld mercy from us. Trust in the steadfast love and faithfulness of God and know that we 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 worshipping  
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

Isaiah 49:1-7

Page 895 OT

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

SCRIPTURE READING

John 1:29-42

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One: This is God's word to us.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

*Who Is Jesus?*

Phil Price

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH     A Declaration of Faith

**All: We know our efforts cannot bring in God's kingdom. But hope  
plunges us into the struggle for victories over evil that are possible  
now in the world, the church, and our individual lives. Hope gives  
us courage and energy to contend against all opposition, however  
invincible it may seem, for the new world and the new humanity that  
are surely coming. Jesus is Lord! He has been Lord from the  
beginning. He will be Lord at the end. Even now he is Lord. Amen.**

\*HYMN OF AFFIRMATION

*Jesus Loves Me!*

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## PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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

*Were You There*

Young

## \*DOXOLOGY

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***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.***

## \*OFFERTORY PRAYER

# SENT OUT TO BEAR GOD'S WORD IN THE WORLD

## \*SENDING HYMN

*A Mighty Fortress*

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## \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

*Postlude in G Minor*

Walczynski

*Chancel Flowers are in honor of Linda Salem and all the abundant ways she offers herself to church and community.*



### **TODAY'S VOLUNTEERS:**

Worship Assistant: *Will Exline*

Hospitality Host: *Jo Buchanan*

Ushers: *Cathy & Jeff Hayes*

Guest Organist: *Ruth Ascher*

## Weekly Glance

**SUNDAY, January 18:** 10:00am – Worship, Sanctuary

**MONDAY, January 19:** Martin Luther King Jr. Day

5:15pm – Session

**TUESDAY, January 20:** 4:30pm - Deacons

**WEDNESDAY, January 21:** Salina Grace meal prep & serve

4:00pm – FBI

6:30pm – Choir Practice

**THURSDAY, January 22:** 7:00am – HeBrews

**SATURDAY, January 24:** 9:00am - Exploring Membership, Conf Room

**SUNDAY, January 25:** Scout Sunday

10:00am – Worship, Sanctuary

## Looking Forward

**INTERESTED IN  
BECOMING A MEMBER?**



**Saturday  
January 24th  
9:00 am  
FOR MORE INFO**

A graphic for a "Fill the Freezer" event. On the left is a photograph of an open freezer filled with various frozen food items. Overlaid on the photo is a dark circular badge with the text "Fill the FREEZER" in white, with "FREEZER" in a larger, bold font. To the right of the photo, the text "Saturday January 24" is written in a large, elegant script font. Below this, the time "2:00 - 4:00PM" is written in a bold, red, sans-serif font, followed by the word "Kitchen" in a bold, black, sans-serif font. At the bottom, it says "Also on February 22 &amp; March 24" in a smaller, black, sans-serif font.





**Celebrating the life and legacy of  
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.**

**January 18-19, 2026**

**“FREEDOM REBORN”**

**Sunday – January 18, 2026**

**3:00 p.m. – Citywide Celebration, Theatre Salina, 303 E. Iron Avenue:**

This year's event will be a musical presentation featuring the Salina Symphony Youth Choir, Coro Juvenil Sagrado Corazón, and the Xcel Ensemble! The theme and program symbolize a *“passing of the torch,”* to the next generation of civil leaders, as we commemorate the resilience and principles for which Dr. King lived and died.

**Monday – January 19, 2026**

**12:00 noon – St. John's Missionary Baptist Church, 215 S. Chicago Street:** Annual Youth – Centered Celebration. Music will include Salina South and Salina Central choirs. Guest Speakers are, Minister Rodney Garrett, Jr., and Miss Tamia Cheeks, who serves as the State Youth and College President for NAACP Kansas. She is also the KWU NAACP College Chapter President.



*A limited number of 2026 Commemorative Buttons  
are available from MLK Ad Hoc Committee  
Members for a donation.*

*Trent Davis \* Stephanie Holt-Burse \* Ramona  
Malone \* Ora Miller\* Gloria Richardson \*  
Diana Tarver*



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](mailto:communications@fpcsalina.org)** or 785-825-0226.

Please list date desired: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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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 8<sup>th</sup> 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 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> 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 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> 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*.

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### **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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