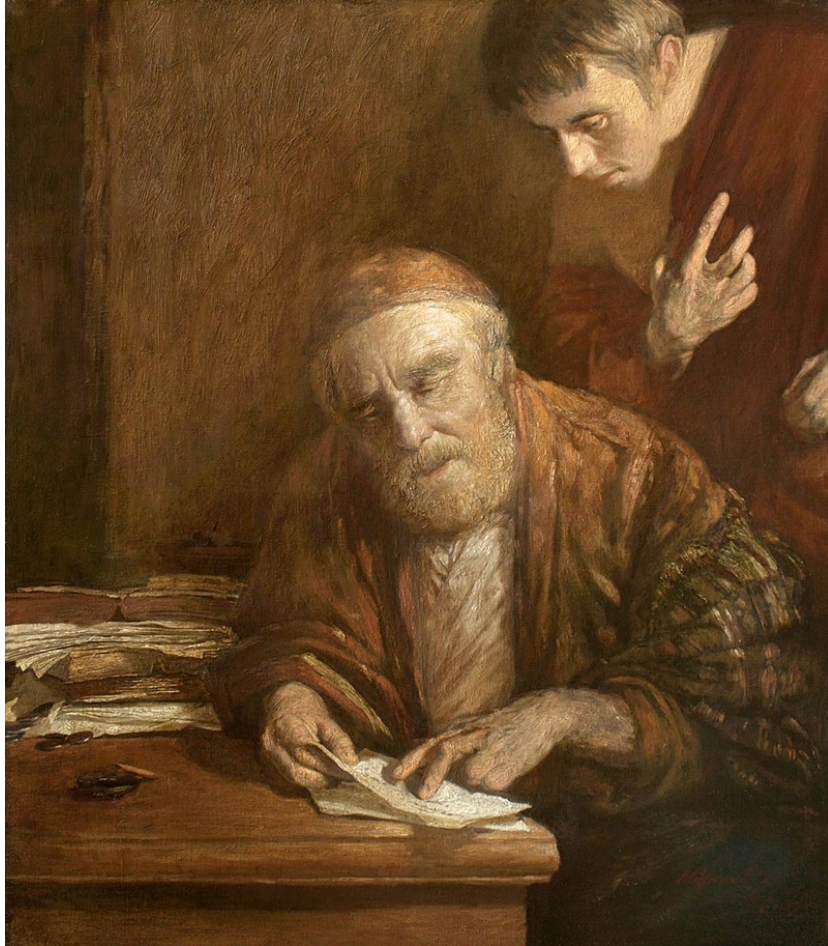


FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Led by Christ, Together in Faith and Love, We Joyfully Think, Question, Grow & Serve!

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 21, 2025



Parable of the Unjust Steward

Mironov, 2012

*for those who wish to stand

Bold print indicates congregational participation

Today's Liturgy written by Teri McDowell Ott from the Presbyterian Outlook

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

*please sign the act of friendship pad

Pastor Phil Price

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Turn us, O God,

All: away from the world's temptations and distractions

One: Return us, O God,

All: to the quiet calm of your presence

One: Restore us, O God,

All: to the path you call us to follow

One: Orient us, O God,

All: to the hope of all that is possible through you

*OPENING HYMN

Take My Life

#697 vs. 1, 2, 3

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: God, our refuge, you lift up the lowly and hold out hope to the hopeless. Yet we who receive your grace so freely do not follow your example. We are quick to judge, eager to criticize, slow to show mercy. We gather and keep for ourselves what was meant to be shared. We diminish and dehumanize those around us. God of us all, hear this confession. Receive it. We ask for your forgiveness.

TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

One: The Prophet Isaiah declares: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, loved, and freed.

*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 79:1-9

Page 793 OT

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

All: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

I will Lift My Eyes

Freed

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 16:1-13

Page 107 NT

One: This is God's word to us.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Kingdom Priorities

Pastor Phil Price

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from a Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

*HYMN OF AFFIRMATION

Take My Life

#697 vs. 4, 5, 6

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S 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

I Will Sing With The Spirit

Rutter

*DOXOLOGY

#609

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

SENT OUT TO BEAR GOD'S WORD IN THE WORLD

*SENDING HYMN

We Give Thee but Thine Own

#708

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

TODAY'S VOLUNTEERS:

Worship Assistant: *Peter Johnston*

Hospitality Hosts: *Martha Rhea & Liz Carroll*

Ushers: *Jeff & Cathy Hayes*

Weekly Glance

SUNDAY, September 21: 10:00am – Worship, Sanctuary
11:00am – Pack Weekend Food Bags
11:15am – Adult Class

WEDNESDAY, September 24: Salina Grace meal prep & serve
4:00pm – FBI
6:30 pm – GodSquad
6:30pm – Choir Practice

THURSDAY, September 25: 7:00am – Hebrews, Mokas

SUNDAY, September 28: 10:00am – Worship, Sanctuary
11:00am – All Church Picnic Potluck at
Sunnyside Pumpkin Patch



Looking Forward



ANNUAL COLLECTING for all ages

- New and gently used coats
- Hats
- Gloves

salina coat drive Thru October 5!

Questions? Contact Jan Denning

A graphic featuring a black zipper on a dark background. The zipper pull is a small, gold-colored metal piece. The text is in various colors: blue, green, and pink.

Ladies Watercolor Paint Party
A Butterfly Card

OCTOBER 9
6:00PM
BLAIR HALL

RSVP BY OCTOBER 7TH
\$10

Bring a friend!
Bring a snack!

A circular watercolor painting of a butterfly with yellow, orange, and blue wings. The background is a solid orange color.

2026
Stewardship
we give with
grateful hearts
and generous
spirit

A stylized line drawing of a dove in flight, facing right. It has a simple outline with a small tail and a pointed beak.



Chancel Flowers

You are invited to sign up, using the form below, as a Sunday Chancel flower donor for any Sunday in 2025. 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: *Regina Miller*

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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