



First  
Presbyterian  
CHURCH SALINA

## Epiphany (observed)

January 4, 2026



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

Today's Liturgy written by Rev. Sarah (Are) Speed/A Sanctified Art LLC/sanctifiedart.org

### GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

\*please sign the act of friendship pad

Pastor Phil Price

## BREATH PRAYER

*Inhale: "God was born."*

*Exhale: "I can rest in the beauty."*

## CALL TO WORSHIP

One: In the dark of morning,

**All: the stars still shine.**

One: In the depth of winter,

**All: the birds still climb.**

One: At the start of the year, tender and new,

**All: God is here. God is near.**

One: Do not rest in your fear.

**All: God is here.**

One: So like the stars and the birds,

**All: Let us worship holy God.**

## \*OPENING HYMN

*Sing of God Made Manifest*

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## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Ever-loving God, we long for Christmas to usher in a season of peace and joy. However, we know that is not how the world works. Even just days after Christmas, we find ourselves face to face with fear once again. So today we pray—forgive us when we allow fear to stop us in our tracks. Forgive us when our own fear prevents us from following your call. Forgive us when fear is louder than love. Show us how to turn our fear into action. Show us how to live like the magi who searched for you in a fearful world. With hope we pray.**

***TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION***

## ASSURANCE OF GRACE

One: Family of Faith, whether you are brave and courageous or fearful and timid, God's love for you knows no end. So join me in these words of forgiveness:

**All: Whether fear inspires us to action, or stops us dead in our tracks, God's love for us is boundless. We are seen. We are surrounded with grace. We are sent to serve. Thanks be to God! Amen.**

## \*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

Isaiah 60:1-6

Page 910 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

Matthew 2:1-12

Page 6 NT

One: This is God's word to us.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

*Camel-on-the-Roof*

Phil Price

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**All: We have seen the valley. We have seen a sky without stars. We have seen the longest night, and still we believe. We believe in a with-us God. We believe in the hope of tomorrow. We believe that good news is louder than fear. We believe this good news is for all people. So even when our knees shake, even when our voice trembles, even when fear is all around us, we will hold onto that good news. We will reach for each other. We will look for God in our midst. We will sing songs of joy. We will proclaim: Unto us, love is born. We have seen the longest night, and we have seen unimaginable love. So still, we believe. Amen.**

## MINUTE FOR MISSION

### *Sound Bites*

Amanda Littell

\*HYMN OF AFFIRMATION      *Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken*      #498

## INVITATION TO THE TABLE

## GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: Beckoning God, from every corner we have come looking for you. A thousand monsters reared their heads. ... You are Emmanuel, God-With-Us. We join now in one voice to pray in the way Jesus taught us, saying. . .

## 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.**

## COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Today's communion is served by intinction. After the choir is served, please come forward using the center aisle. Please take a piece of bread and then dip it into the cup and commune. Then, please return to your seat.

## 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

\*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

*What Star Is This*

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\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

**TODAY'S VOLUNTEERS:**

Communion Preparation & Server: *Margaret & Bruce Wyatt*

Worship Assistant: *Randy Hardy*

Hospitality Host: *Jo Buchanan*

Ushers: *Britton & Molly Zuccarelli*

## Weekly Glance

**SUNDAY, January 4:** 11:15am – Adult Class on Magi

**MONDAY, January 5:** 9:30pm – Coffee & Card Making

3:30pm – Personnel Committee

**TUESDAY, January 6:** 5:15pm – Faith Formation Committee

**WEDNESDAY, January 7:** Salina Grace meal prep & serve

4:00pm – FBI

4:30pm – Worship Cmte

6:30pm – Choir Practice

**THURSDAY, January 8:** 7:00am – HeBrews

3:30pm – Building & Grounds Cmte

**SUNDAY, January 11:** 9:00am – Adult Class on Magi

10:00am – Worship, Sanctuary

11:15am – Adult Class on Magi

## Looking Forward



January 12 Speaker

Kelly Mobray

Director of Adult Education  
Salina Adult Education Center

**INTERESTED IN  
BECOMING A MEMBER?**



**Saturday  
January 24th  
9:00 am**

**FOR MORE INFO**



**Saturday  
January 24  
2:00 – 4:00PM  
Kitchen**

**Also on  
February 22 & March 24**



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:

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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 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: *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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