

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

## 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

November 2, 2025



\*for those who wish to stand

**Bold** print indicates congregational participation

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

## GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Pastor Phil Price

\*please sign the act of friendship pad

BREATH PRAYER     *Inhale: "God, what I have," Exhale: "Is yours, not mine."*

## CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The changing colors of leaves, the laughter of children playing dress-up, the flowers and trees that become food for foraging creatures:

**All: Lord, your creation boasts of your goodness.**

One: The Sunday school teachers who taught us your Word, the stranger who asked us if we were okay, the parent who showed us right and wrong, the neighbor who dropped by to say hello:

**All: Lord, your creation boasts of your love.**

One: Let us join together as a community and worship our Creator, the author of everything that is beautiful.

## \*OPENING HYMN

*Take My Life*

#697 vs. 1, 2, 3

## CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**All: Holy and gracious God, you are the author of every good thing. Forgive us for the ways we fall short of the beautiful story you invite us to step into. You ask us to look to the margins and care for the lost; we center ourselves. You ask us to give away; we grab for more. You ask us to love one another; we cannot see beyond our divisions. The world is full of ugliness, from the macro to the micro. Forgive us. Help us. We call on you, our beloved, our help, our God, our hope. Hear our silent confessions now.**

## *TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION*

## ASSURANCE OF GRACE

One: Family of faith, I don't know what this past week has looked like for you, .... Trusting in this good news, join me in the words of forgiveness:

**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 119:137-144

Page 759 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

Luke 19:1-10

Page 112 NT

One: This is God's word to us.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

*Tree People*

Rev. Joseph Coachman

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Generosity, Bruce Reyes-Chow*

One: We believe in the Generous spirit of God. God has been generous to us, so we give back to God all that we have the courage and faith to offer. When the fear of scarcity causes us to forsake abundance,

**All: We choose generosity.**

One: When the insidiousness of convenience causes us to avoid discomfort,

**All: We choose generosity.**

One: When capitalism makes us want to commodify what we offer,

**All: We choose generosity.**

One: When arrogance causes us to tie strings to our gifts,

**All: We choose generosity.**

One: When despair causes us to ask, "Why bother?"

**All: We choose generosity.**

One: When we forget that we have chosen to believe that, in life and in death, we belong to God,

**All: We choose generosity. We choose generosity because God has been generous to us.**

\*HYMN OF AFFIRMATION     *Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts*

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INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: Holy Creator, you fashioned us with a heart like yours: expansive and made to love deeply.... May we then come to fully understand the mystery of our faith: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again. All this we pray in the name of the One who taught us to pray together, 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 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

*Take My Life*

#697 vs. 4, 5, 6

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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

Communion Preparation: *Margaret & Bruce Wyatt*

Communion Servers: *Margaret & Bruce Wyatt*

Worship Assistant: *Cathy Hayes*

Hospitality Host: *Katy England*

Ushers: *Heather & Boyd Smith*



*I return all that I am and all that I have to God.*

*Time. Talent. Treasure.*

*Energy. Expertise. Wealth.*

*Presence. Passion. Privilege.*

*I choose generosity because God has been*

*generous to me. ~ Bruce Reyes-Chow*



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## SCHEDULE OF ENGAGEMENTS

### SUNDAY Nov 2

YOUTH: Lunch & Activity following worship

### MONDAY Nov 3

12p: Rotary Club Lunch + Presentation

### TUESDAY Nov 4

12p: Salina Healthcare Providers Lunch + Learn



### WEDNESDAY Nov 5

10a: Tour of Salina Grace + EAFB

4p: FBI Kids in FPC Kitchen

**5:30 Midweek Fellowship + Dinner Presentation**

**Blair Hall - Childcare Provided**

### THURSDAY Nov 6

5:30pm Women of Achievement @ SCT

### FRIDAY Nov 7

Presbytery of Northern Kansas Lunch



### SUNDAY Nov 9

**9a: Breakfast Brunch Buffet - Blair Hall**

**10a: Worship**

**11a: Fellowship Q&A w/ Pastor Phil - Chapel**





## Weekly Glance

*Mina & Gerber visit from Juntos Guatemala*

**SUNDAY, November 2:** 10:00am – Worship, Sanctuary  
Pack Weekend Food Bags, Hope Rm  
11:15am – Adult Ed Class

**MONDAY, November 3:** 9:30pm – Coffee & Card Making  
3:30pm – Personnel Committee

**TUESDAY, November 4:** Election Day – Polling at FPC  
5:15pm – Faith Formation Committee

**WEDNESDAY, November 5:** Salina Grace meal prep & serve  
4:00pm – FBI  
4:30pm – Worship Cmte  
5:30pm – *Midweek Fellowship Dinner & Presentation*  
6:30pm – Choir Practice

**THURSDAY, November 6:** 7:00am – HeBrews  
3:30pm – Building & Grounds Cmte

**SUNDAY, November 9:** 9:00am – Brunch Buffet – Blair Hall  
10:00am – Worship, Sanctuary  
11:00am – *Fellowship and Q & A in Chapel*

## Looking Forward





### **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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