



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LED BY CHRIST, TOGETHER IN FAITH
AND LOVE, WE JOYFULLY THINK,
QUESTION, GROW AND SERVE!

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

April 24, 2016

*for those who wish to stand

Bold print indicates congregational participation

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

based on Psalm 148

Rev. Charlie Smith

One: Alleluia! Christ is alive; let all the people praise him!

All: Let all creation sing with joy. Alleluia!

One: Praise him, all his angels, all his host! Praise him, sun and moon,
all you shining stars! Praise him, you highest heavens,
and you waters above!

**All: Let them praise the name of the Lord, for he commanded
and they were created. He established them forever and ever;
he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.**

One: Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps,
fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling his command!
Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!

**All: Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!
Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!
Young men and women alike, old and young together!**

One: Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted;
his glory is above earth and heaven.

**All: Praise for all his faithful, for the people who are close to him. Praise
the Lord! Let us bring all that we are to worship God!**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: God of mercy, instead of loving one another across all differences,
we have responded with fear and judgment
that hinders your vision for humanity.

All: Giver of life, have mercy on us.

One: We've said words in anger; we've told lies we thought didn't matter.

All: Giver of life, have mercy on us.

One: We've "cut down" others or showed a lack of respect for ourselves.

All: Giver of life, have mercy on us.

One: We've had bitter hearts and refused to forgive; we've been sad and refused
to be comforted; we've been hardened to others and didn't share love.

All: Giver of life, have mercy on us.

One: We've used our hands to do things that brought harm to others,
to the earth or to ourselves.

All: Giver of life, have mercy on us.

One: We release our brokenness to you.

**All: Forgive our sins, we pray, and give us a true repentance
that leads to life for all creation. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SUNG RESPONSE TO PARDON

Gloria Patri

#581

*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, amen.*

WELCOME THE CHILDREN

*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.*

CHILDREN'S TIME

Shelby Dickson

(Children may now be seated with their parents or those 5 and younger may leave for the nursery)

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

1ST SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 11:1-18 (pg 174, NT)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

YOUTH ANTHEM

Mighty To Save

Morgan and Fielding

2ND SCRIPTURE READING

John 13:31-35 (pg 146, NT)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Welcome

Rev. Rebecca Chancellor

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

From Youth in the Confirmation Class

With all my heart, I believe God is the Creator of everything and Jesus Christ is the Son of God who experienced the pains and joys that come with being human. Jesus Christ died on the cross for our sins. God's love for us is infinite.

The Holy Spirit is the essence of God and is with us all the time. The Spirit is the closest connection to God we get here on Earth. I trust in God's word and believe the Bible is full of lessons that teach us, including that we are one in Jesus Christ. The Church is the reminder of God. I believe our call as Christians is to forgive and love one another, as well as ourselves. Our call is not to preach about God everywhere we go, but to help others find themselves in God. We should help anyone in need, and treat everyone with love, kindness, and respect.

Every day, we continue our journey with God.

*HYMN OF AFFIRMATION

We Are One in the Spirit

#300

CONFIRMATION & THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Evan Bishop, Brittany Blackim, Ellie Cobb, Kady Cobb, Avery Cooper, Miles Denning,
Kegan England, Mary England, Sophia Ginther, Maysin Griffith, Annie Hayes, Will Hayes,
Kelsey Ketcher, Melissa Lidgett, Carson Michaelis, Molly Michaelis, Madison Montre, Ethan Speer

PRESENTATION

Leslie Bishop, Elder

PROMISE OF THE CONGREGATION

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

Hymnal, p. 35

THANKSGIVING & PRAYER OVER THE WATER

THE BAPTISM: WASHING WITH WATER

Sophia Grace Ginther

Daughter of Jessica Blackwell

Granddaughter of Linda Blackwell and Jim Blackwell

PRAYER, CHARGE, & BLESSING

WELCOME With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you to share with us in the ministry of Christ, for we are all one in him.



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

Opportunities to serve this week

Invitation to Give

(Please sign the Act of Friendship sheet and pass it down the pew)

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* #606
*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.*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENT OUT TO BEAR GOD'S WORD IN THE WORLD

*SENDING HYMN *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian* #729

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION Rev. Rebecca Chancellor

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Shine, Jesus, Shine (Refrain)* #192
*Shine, Jesus, shine; fill this land with the Father's glory.
Blaze, Spirit, blaze; set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow; flood the nations with grace and mercy.
Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.* (Sing twice.)

*POSTLUDE

TODAY'S VOLUNTEERS:

Greeters: Tim & Becky Maguffee

Candle Lighter: Azbey Peckham

Coffee Host: Jeff Holgerson

Worship Recorder: JR Lidgett

Ushers: Morrie & Sydney Soderberg, Ron Green, Bob Exline

Deacons Flower Deliverer: Ann Payne

Manor Bus Driver: Sunrise Presbyterian Church

COMING UP THIS WEEK AT FPC:

*Did we make a mistake? We want to correct it!
Email office@fpcsalina.org and we'll fix it.*

SUNDAY, April 24 – Confirmation Sunday

Adult Education Class – Hope Room, 9 am
Confirmation Mentor Mtg – Chapel, 9:30 am
Nursery Open – 9:45 am
Worship – Sanctuary, 10 am
Confirmation Reception – Parlor, 11 am
Mid-High Youth – Youth Room, 11:30 am
Sr-High Youth – Youth Room, 11:30 am

MONDAY, April 25

Staff Meeting – Hope Room, 11 am
Congregational Care & Nurture Committee
Meeting – Hope Room, 5 pm

TUESDAY, April 26

The News mailed – Hope Room, 10:30 am
Wired Word Class – Hope Room, 12 pm
Personnel Cmt Mtg – Parlor Conf Room, 4 pm

WEDNESDAY, April 27

Side-by-Side: Bette Timmel
FBI Children's CE Programs – Downstairs
Classroom, 3:45 pm
Youth Mission Team Meeting, 5:30 – Youth Rm
Choir Practice – Choir Room, 7 pm

THURSDAY, April 28

Side-by-Side: Chandra Cooper
Sr. High Bible Study – Mokas, 7 am
Coffee Group – Parlor Conf Room, 10 am
Trustees Meeting – Conference Room, 12 pm
FPC provides Circles Meal – Blair Hall, 4:30 pm

FRIDAY, April 29

Side-by-Side: Chandra Cooper
Women's Retreat

SATURDAY, April 30

Women's Retreat

SUNDAY, May 1 – Communion

Guatemala Mission Team Report

Adult Education Class – Hope Room, 9 am
Nursery Open – 9:45 am
Worship – Sanctuary, 10 am
Mid-High Youth – Youth Room, 11 am
Sr-High Youth – Youth Room, 11 am
Blood Pressure Checks – Chapel, 11:30 am
Manor Service, Presbyterian Manor, 3 pm

HYMN MADNESS ... ROUND 6: CHAMPIONSHIP

Now we're down to the Championship! If your favorite hymn from *Glory to God* is on this list, congratulations! Consider the final head-to-head matchup and pick one hymn over the other. We'll use the results to tabulate the champion! **Please return your completed bracket to the church office by noon Tuesday, April 26th.**

#69 Here I Am, Lord

HYMN

CHAMPION

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#649 Amazing Grace

NEW MEMBER MEETING EVERY SECOND SUNDAY

On the 2nd Sunday of each month, there is a New Members Inquiry Meeting in the Hope Room following worship. Come join us if you would like more information about First Presbyterian Church and our ministries, or if you are ready to join our congregation as a member. You may also talk to Charlie or Rebecca any time.

FPC WOMEN'S RETREAT REGISTRATIONS DUE TODAY!

All women are invited to attend a 24-hour retreat this Friday-Saturday, **April 29-30** at Knox Ranch! Rebecca Chancellor will guide us through *Sharing Our Faith Journeys* with conversations, worship and communion, prayer, meals, and free time. Registration forms are available in the main office, or outside the Chapel. Join us for Friday night only, or stay the night and enjoy the outdoors on Saturday! Registrations will be granted on a first-come, first served basis as space is limited. Forms and fees are due *today*. Questions? Talk to Rebecca, Tina Ralston, or Paula Knox.

SUMMER VBS DAY CAMP REGISTRATION IS OPEN!



FPC is partnering with Sunrise Presbyterian Church to host Heartland Traveling Day Camp for all children *currently* in Kindergarten through 6th grades. VBS Day Camp will be held at Sunrise Pres (825 E Beloit Ave, Salina) June 13th-17th. This is a week-long, Christ-centered and activity-based camp including singing, games, arts & crafts, Bible activities, water games, and horseback riding. Questions? Please talk to Shelby Dickson or Penni White. To register campers online now, go to: heartland.campintouch.com/ui/forms/application/camper/App

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SUMMER VBS DAY CAMP: JUNE 13-17

FPC will provide a number of volunteers to help the staff lead a wonderful week of day camp for our children! Thanks to those who have filled out volunteer forms already, we have all the registration volunteers needed. There are still opportunities to volunteer: provide snacks, help lead arts & crafts, provide a meal to 5 staff, and take photographs of the various activities. Volunteer forms are available on the table outside the Chapel, or you may contact Penni White directly to sign-up. Many thanks for helping us share the love of Christ with our children!!

"AN ALTAR IN THE WORLD" SUNDAY MORNING ADULT ED CLASS

Our Sunday morning Adult Education Class will begin discussions on *An Altar in the World: A Geography of Faith* by Barbara Brown Taylor on Sunday, April 24th. Books are available in the Main Office for \$10 each. Topics include: *Vision, Reverence, Incarnation, Groundedness, Wilderness, Community, and Vocation*. Adults of all ages are welcome any Sunday. Join us at 9:00 a.m. in the Hope Room for meaningful conversation!

GUATEMALA MISSION TEAM REPORT NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 1

We hope you will join us in worship next Sunday, May 1st to celebrate our relationship with our brothers and sisters in Guatemala! Our Guatemala Mission Team is excited to share stories, pictures, and updates with you in worship on Sunday, May 1st. You will hear more about our ministry with the people of Santa Maria de Jesus and Ixcán in Guatemala, as well as our partnership with Mission: Impact, Proximos Pasos School, and more!

CHARLIE CELEBRATES FIRST ANNIVERSARY AT FPC

Happy 1st Anniversary to the Rev. Charles Carroll Smith, our Lead Pastor who began service to FPC one year ago! We are glad to have you with us!

MONTHLY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: COME TO THE WATERS

Our Women's Bible Study meets on **Monday, May 2nd at 5:30 p.m.** in the Hope Room. All women are welcome! Our Lesson will be on *The Hospitality of Living Water: Compassion*.

YOUTH GROUP FINALE PARTY: MAY 7!

All 6th-12th graders are invited to our end-of-year party on Saturday, May 7, 5:30-9:00 p.m. at the Elite Sports Complex (7928 S Old Highway 81). We'll have a hot dog and hamburger cookout, play paintball, and roast s'mores! Youth are asked to bring \$15 to cover entry, rental paintball equipment, and 100 paintballs. Extra paintballs available for purchase. If you need assistance with cost, please contact Tricia or Rebecca. If you need a ride, contact Tricia by Friday May 6th.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE RECOGNITION SUNDAY: MAY 8

In worship on Sunday, May 8th, we will recognize and honor our high school seniors who will soon be graduating. Join us in worship to hear what their plans are for the future and surround them with our love and prayers. This is an exciting time and we are joyful to celebrate this milestone in their lives!



DO YOU HAVE A COLLEGE GRADUATE IN YOUR FAMILY?

It's Time to BRAG! This year we want to honor all college/university, graduate school and professional school graduates in our congregation! If you or your child graduates this spring, please let Tricia know. In addition, we would like to let our members brag a little, so if you have non-member kids, grandkids or family members who will graduate this spring, let Tricia know their name and school! You may leave information in Tricia's box in the church office or email her at tricia@fpcsalina.org! Thank you for helping us honor all graduates!

MISSION: ENVELOPE

Your mission, if you choose to accept it, is to grab an envelope on the very large bulletin board by the first floor elevator to support Youth Mission and Triennium! Each envelope has a number... you choose the envelope(s) that correspond with the amount you would like to give. Each envelope shares information about our youth and their mission activities and trips. Keep the contents of your envelope, and return the envelope (with your donation enclosed) to the offering plate or the church office. Thank you for supporting our youth, and specifically our summer youth mission trip to Denver and Presbyterian Youth Triennium 2016!!

PROJECT SALINA: CANS OF TUNA NEEDED

OK, FPC folks, we've been challenged! As part of the Project Salina annual food drive, Sunrise Presbyterian Church has challenged FPC to match its collection of **626 cans of tuna** during the month of May. Here's a thought: If we really want to engage in competition, then we ought to surpass Sunrise's total! How many cans of tuna can we collect? Let's start stocking up. Bring your cans to the church and place them on the table in the north lobby.



PENTECOST OFFERING: MAY 15



The Pentecost Offering is one of the four Special Offerings collected by the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). This offering is used to support young people during the “first third of life”—from childhood to young adulthood. The offering is split four ways: 25% supports Young Adult Volunteers, 25% goes to Ministries with Youth, 10 % advocates for at-risk children, and 40% stays here in Salina/Saline County to help develop and support programs for children, youth and young adults who are at-risk. More information to follow!

FPC NURSERY UPDATE & CHILDCARE AVAILABILITY

Have you noticed the new faces in our nursery on the 2nd floor on Sunday mornings? The Children & Families Committee is very pleased to have three Nursery Caregivers working on a rotating schedule to be with our youngest ones. While children are always welcome in worship, children ages 5 and younger may also spend time in the nursery. Our caregivers are: Debb Homman, Emily Montgomery, and Trista Shuler. Debb also serves as our Nursery Coordinator and is available to arrange childcare for other church meetings and events. To request childcare for an FPC event, email nursery@fpcsalina.org and Debb will get back with you.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

- FPC’s Nursery, located on the second floor, is available for infants and children ages 5 and younger.
- FPC encourages children ages 6 and older to remain in 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. Pew Art cards are also available in the pew racks.
- 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. Headsets are also available. An usher will be happy to help if you need assistance.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE:

- Tan “Prayer Request” Cards are used for prayer requests or concerns. As requests are received, the Board of Deacons will offer prayers.
- Blue “We Care” Cards are for messages of care to persons of the congregation, these cards are mailed the next week. Cards are available in the back of the room. Please place the cards in the offering plate.
- Your “Prayer Concerns” can now be submitted online. Please visit www.fpcsalina.org/ministries/prayer-concerns and they will be forwarded to a pastor.



Switch hearing aid to t-coil. Please see your audiologist to activate your t-coil if you haven’t done so yet. For more information on t-coil & Hearing Loop, you can find information packets on the credenza in the narthex.

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SUNDAY STAFF

Lead Pastor/Head of Staff: *Rev. Charlie Smith*
Director of Music: *Richard Koshgarian*
Director of Youth Ministry: *Tricia Cobb*
Head Custodian: *Ed Zoch*
Nursery Coordinator: *Debb Homman*

Designated Associate Pastor: *Rev. Rebecca Chancellor*
Organist: *Angie Koshgarian*
Director of Children’s CE: *Shelby Dickson*
Custodian: *Tony Griggs*
Nursery Caregivers: *Emily Montgomery, Trista Shuler*