



## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

### SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 4, 2016

\*for those who wish to stand

**Bold print indicates congregational participation**

### GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Charlie Smith

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

*Psalm 139*

One: O Lord, you have searched me and known me, and are acquainted with all my ways.

**All: Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely.**

One: For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

**All: How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! I try to count them – they are like the sand.**

One: Sisters and brothers in Christ, let us worship God!

\*OPENING HYMN

*Come, Labor On*

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CALL TO CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God in Christ, who endured the cross in your own flesh for our sakes, hear us as we confess our sin. We would be your bold disciples, but we fear suffering. We would carry our cross, but it weighs too much. We count the cost of following you – as long as there are benefits; but to renounce all we have is a devastating prospect. Forgive the conditions we make when we try to obey, and free us by your grace to forsake all and follow you.**

## 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

*Philemon 1:1-21* (pg. 294, NT)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### ANTHEM

#### 2ND SCRIPTURE READING

*Luke 14:25-33* (pg. 106, NT)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### SERMON

*A Real Piece of Work*

Rev. Dr. Charlie Smith

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

### 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  
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.***

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## SEALING GOD'S WORD: THE EUCHARIST

### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

#### THE PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them up to the Lord.**

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

One: It is right...Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth.

**All: We praise you for all who labor for the common good  
and for those whose service is unappreciated.**

**We thank you for children whose play is the work of learning  
to live in the world.**

**We thank you for disciples who are obedient  
to the promptings of your Spirit in all their relationships.**

**We thank you for your yearning mercy  
that waits for us to make all our hours and days participation  
in your healing and blessing of the earth and all peoples.**

One: You made us in your image...join their unending hymn:

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

One: Holy are you...let us pray:

#### 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.**

#### BREAKING THE BREAD & POURING THE CUP

## COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*Communion today is by intinction (dipping the bread into the cup). There will be four serving stations at the front of the sanctuary. After the choir is served, please come forward using the center aisle. The two outside cups, farthest from the center aisle, contain wine. The center two cups contain grape juice. Gluten-free bread is available in the center on the right side. Go to the serving station of your choice, and return to your pew by the side aisles. Those in the balcony or side pews are asked to make their way to the center aisle as well. If you are unable to come forward, remain seated and you may be served in the pew.*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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

\*SENDING HYMN

*Lift High the Cross*

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\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

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

**Coffee Host:** Marilyn Holgerson

**Worship Recorder:** JR Lidgett

**Greeters:** Ann & Harry Jett

**Manor Bus Driver:** Morrie Soderberg

**Ushers:** Portia & Terry Bakker, Peter, Sara, Hadley & Harper Johnston

**Communion Preparers:** Marcia Anderson, Flo Van Meter

**Communion Servers:** Marcia Anderson, Peggy Bihlmaier, John Landes, Sarah Morris, Tina Ralston, Toni Renfro, Diana Smith, Flo Van Meter

**Deacons Flower Deliverer:** Cathy Hayes

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### **FPC OFFICE CLOSED LABOR DAY**

The FPC office will be closed Monday, September 5<sup>th</sup> in observance of Labor Day.

### **RALLY SUNDAY SET UP: SEPTEMBER 10**

The church building will be open on Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 9 a.m. to Noon, for committees and groups to set-up their tables and bring in materials for Rally Sunday! Tables will be set up in Blair Hall for all committees and groups who have requested one in advance, and easels will be set-up for Bee the Church sign-up sheets. Bring your decorations, signs, flyers and sign-up sheets. Table cloths that fit the theme will be provided!

### **BIBLE SUNDAY FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH: SEPTEMBER 11**

During worship on Rally Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, Bibles will be presented to our 3 year olds, 1<sup>st</sup> graders, and 6<sup>th</sup> graders! We also want to give Bibles to any other children or youth who missed out on receiving the Preschool, Elementary, or Youth Bible from FPC. Please talk to Shelby Dickson, Tricia Cobb, or Pastor Charlie if your child(ren) needs a Bible!



## TWO BITS FOR A GOOD CAUSE

It's a feel-good shakedown! The FPC Deacons are launching a drive to collect quarters to benefit Salina Shares' Laundry Love initiative, which provides free laundry service for low-income individuals and families at all three laundromats in Salina. The Deacons will have quarter-collection containers at their table on Rally Sunday, Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>, and on Bee the Church Sunday, Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>. Your two-bit contributions are also encouraged in the weeks leading up to Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> and into October.

## WORKER BEES READY TO SERVE: DO YOU NEED HELP?

In preparation for Bee the Church Service Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, the Worship Committee is hoping to serve church members who are having trouble getting things done. Maybe there is painting, cleaning or yard work needed. Maybe there are tasks too big or too heavy to get done on their own. Your assistance is requested in identifying these service opportunities. Please let us know if you or another member of our church family could use our help by contacting the church office at 785-825-0226 or [office@fpsalina.org](mailto:office@fpsalina.org). Pew cards will be available during worship today and Sept. 11 to fill out and return as well.



## CHILDREN & FAMILIES COLLABORATING WITH CAPS



What's all the buzz about "Bee the Church"? Want to join the Hive and get involved? The Children and Families Committee is collaborating with Child Advocacy & Parenting Services (CAPS) to provide backpacks stocked with necessities and comforts for children that are being placed into foster care. As you can imagine, this is a very traumatic time for these

children and having some belongings that they can call their own and take with them from placement to placement can help them in this chaotic period. We are seeking donations of backpacks (new or used in good condition) as well as items for the backpacks which include some personal care items such as a toothbrush, toothpaste, comb, deodorant, and soap or shampoo. Additionally "comfort items" such as a fleece blanket, stuffed animal, book, notepad, crayons, colored pencils or regular pencils would be appreciated. Its purpose is to give the child a sense of ownership and comfort during this difficult period. You may bring your donations to the Church Office or bring them to Rally Sunday. We will assemble the "Go Bags" during our "Bee the Church" activity on Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>.

## HELP BUILD OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS



On Bee the Church Sunday, the Youth and Young Adults Committee will begin, what we hope to be, a lasting relationship with Communities in Schools. Our project will be at Lakewood Middle School. We will be building the shelving units and beginning to stock shelves for a community closet. The community closet will consist of clothing, school supplies and food for students who are in need. These children will be identified by Julia Ramos, the coordinator of Communities in Schools at Lakewood and in the Salina Area. In the coming weeks the FPC Youth will begin to identify the needs and start collecting supplies for the closet. Look for more information and a youth announcement with these details soon!!

## **COMING UP THIS WEEK AT FPC:**

*Did we make a mistake? We want to correct it!*

*Email [office@fpcsalina.org](mailto:office@fpcsalina.org) and we'll fix it.*

### **SUNDAY, September 4 - Communion**



Nursery Open – 9:45 am  
Worship – Sanctuary, 10 am  
Fellowship – Blair Hall, 11 am  
Blood Pressure Checks – Parlor, 11:30 am  
Manor Service – Presbyterian Manor, 3 pm

### **MONDAY, September 5**

FPC Closed

### **TUESDAY, September 6**

Staff Meeting – Hope Room, 11 am  
Social Justice & Mission Meeting – Hope Room,  
5:30 pm

### **WEDNESDAY, September 7**

Yoga – Blair Hall, 5 pm  
Youth & Young Adults Meeting – Hope Room, 5:15

### **THURSDAY, September 8**

HeBrews Bible Study – Moka's, 6:45 am  
Coffee Group – Parlor Conf Room, 10 am

### **SATURDAY, September 10**

Rally Sunday Setup – Parlor, 9 am – 12 pm

### **SUNDAY, September 11 – Rally Sunday/ Bible Sunday**

Art Display & Discussion – Hope Room, 9 am  
Nursery Open – 9:45 am  
Worship – Sanctuary, 10 am  
Ministry Fair – Blair Hall, 11 am  
CIA/SWAT Youth Groups – 11:15 am



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## **WORSHIP ASSISTANTS NEEDED!**

Whether or not you have served as a Worship Assistant before, we are looking for youth and adults to sign-up as worship leaders for each Sunday morning. A Worship Assistant typically leads the opening acts of worship (Call to Worship, Prayer of Confession, Assurance of Pardon, Prayer for Illumination and the First Scripture Reading). All materials, including the script, will be provided in advance. Sign-up online ([signup.com/go/Y83t4n](https://signup.com/go/Y83t4n)) or contact Melanie in the church office.

## **FBI SKATING PARTY: SEPTEMBER 14**



The Faithful Bible Investigators can't begin without our annual skating party! All K-5th grade students registered (or interested in registering) for our Wednesday Christian Education program, are invited to join us on September 14<sup>th</sup>, 3:45-5:15 p.m. at Starlite Skate Center (2661 Market Place). We will get to know each other as we skate and enjoy snacks, friends, and fun! All children will need to be dropped off and picked up at the skating rink; parents are welcome to stay but are not required. Our regular FBI programming at the church will begin on September 21<sup>st</sup>. Please contact Shelby Dickson at [shelby@fpcsalina.org](mailto:shelby@fpcsalina.org) with any questions. We look forward to seeing you then!

## **ADULT EDUCATION CLASS ON UNITY IN SEPTEMBER**

All are invited to gather in the Hope Room at 9 a.m. on September 11<sup>th</sup> to view Carolyn Wedel's 12-piece work of art titled, "Peas in a Pod," which depicts that at the core of our being, we are one and the same. Carolyn will facilitate discussion with those who are gathered. On September 18<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m., members of the Adult Ed Committee will continue the conversation. Carolyn's art will be in the Hope Room for 4-6 weeks, and all are encouraged to view it, even if you are unable to join us for the classes on Sunday mornings!

## ADULT LECTURE WITH DR. PHIL MECKLEY ON SEPTEMBER 28

All youth and adults are invited to a lecture on "Buddhist themes and influences in the book of James" with Dr. Phil Meckley, a Professor of Religion & Philosophy at Kansas Wesleyan University, on Wednesday, September 28, 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. This lecture is part of the Adult Education schedule for the fall, and we hope to include additional mid-week lectures in the future. Friends and neighbors are welcome, and Dr. Meckley looks forward to discussion and feedback at the end of the lecture. We hope you will plan to join us for this intellectual, insightful, and engaging event on Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>!

## STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN KICKOFF: SEPTEMBER 18



On Sunday, Sept. 18th, we'll kickoff the FPC annual Stewardship Campaign. The theme of our six-week campaign is "Abundant Joy, Overflowing Generosity," with an emphasis on "Percentage Living" as expressed by Paul in 2 Corinthians 8:1-7. Paul urges believers to give generously and joyfully. Stewardship packages will begin delivery on Sept. 26 via the Neighborhood Route System implemented last year.

## MIDWEEK MANNA PLANNING MEETING: SEPTEMBER 19

Our Wednesday Worship (coming 01.04.17) has a new name: Midweek Manna! We look forward to gathering for both spiritual and physical nourishment (worship and a meal) beginning in January. Our next planning meeting is Monday, Sept. 19, 5:30 p.m. All are invited to join as we make plans for worship, music, and food to prepare for this new, creative, informal worship!

## PEACE AND GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING: OCTOBER 2

The Peace and Global Witness Offering will be collected at FPC on World Communion Sunday, Oct. 2, 2016. The special offering formerly was known as the Peacemaking Offering, is one of four special collections by the Presbyterian Church (USA). This year's theme is "Setting the Table of Peace." Your support of the Peace and Global Witness Offering acknowledges that a wilderness of conflict may surround us, but we are not abandoned there. If we open our eyes to the possibilities of peace, we see God has set a table for anyone willing to take a seat. Envelopes will be placed in the pews on Sunday, Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. Please give generously.

## BEE THE CHURCH SHIRTS FOR SALE NOW!

As we get "buzzed" about our community service and mission projects for Bee the Church Sunday on September 25<sup>th</sup>, we are excited to announce we have t-shirts and sweatshirts available in both youth and adult sizes for purchase! This is a fun way to share who we are with the community and share our love for FPC! All orders must be placed and pre-paid by **Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup>** to ensure we have them in time for Bee the Church Sunday. Order forms are available in the church office, in the narthex and will be at the Ministry Fair on Rally Sunday, Sept. 11. Contact Beth in the church office to order.



## THANK YOU FROM REBECCA

Dear FPC Friends, Thank you for a wonderful 15 months of ministry together! I am so humbled and blessed by your words, hugs and the very generous gifts you gave me last week. I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know you, serving you, and working with the fabulous FPC staff! God will continue to use you to share the light and love of Christ in this community and beyond. You are an important part of my journey and will be on my heart and in my prayers. Peace to you all, Rebecca Chancellor



## YOGA @ FPC CONTINUES

Our summer yoga group has had such a wonderful time breathing, stretching, meditating, and praying together that we will continue into the fall! Join Cathy Hayes and other women and men for yoga on Wednesdays, 5-6 p.m. A suggested donation is \$5, but is not required. All levels are welcome!

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## 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.
- **FBI** (Faithful Bible Investigators) is our Christian Education program for children in grades K-5.
- **FBI-In-Training** is our Christian Education program for children age 2 through Pre-K.
- **HeBrews** is our Senior-High Youth Bible Study that meets every Thursday during the school year at 6:45 am at Moka's on Crawford. The name is derived from *Hebrews 10:25*.
- **CIA** (Christians In Action) is our Mid-High (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades) Youth Group that meets Sunday mornings after worship. They study the Bible in a way that allows them to use energy and creativity to learn God's word.
- **SWAT** (Senior-high Worshipping All the Time) is our Senior-High (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades) Youth Group that meets Sunday mornings after worship. This group focuses on mission and fellowship during this time.
- 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. For more information on t-coil & Hearing Loop, you can find information packets on the credenza in the narthex. Headsets are also available. An usher will be happy to help if you need assistance.



## CONGREGATIONAL CARE:

- Tan "Prayer Request" Cards are for prayer requests or concerns. These go to the Board of Deacons.
- 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](http://www.fpcsalina.org/ministries/prayer-concerns) and they will be forwarded to a pastor.

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## SUNDAY STAFF

Lead Pastor/Head of Staff: *Rev. Dr. Charlie Smith*

Director of Music: *Richard Koshgarian*

Director of Youth Ministry: *Tricia Cobb*

Head Custodian: *Ed Zoch*

Nursery Coordinator: *Debb Homman*

Organist: *Angie Koshgarian*

Director of Children's CE: *Shelby Dickson*

Custodian: *Tony Griggs*

Nursery Caregivers: *Trista Shuler, Anita Thompson*

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