

Stewardship
2018

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

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
PEACE AND GLOBAL WITNESS SPECIAL OFFERING



October 1, 2017

*for those who wish to stand

Bold print indicates congregational participation

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Diana Smith

CALL TO WORSHIP: (Based on *Psalms* 150)

One: We have come together to praise God from whom all blessings flow.

All: The firmament, the covering of earth and seas, is the roof of our sanctuary.

One: And so, we dwell in the house of God all the days of our lives as one people.

All: We will sing songs of praise and give thanks for God's steadfast hope in us.

One: Who today will bless God for God's surpassing greatness?

All: Let everything that breathes worship and praise God!

OPENING PRAYER

*OPENING HYMN

God Is Here!

#409

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned by my own fault, in thought, word, and deed; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life.

All: May Almighty God have mercy on you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, and give you time to amend your life. Amen.

All: I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned by my own fault, in thought, word, and deed; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life.

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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.*

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

Exodus 17:1-7 (pg. 90, OT)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Come Flood This Heart of Mine

Lantz

2ND SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 21:23-32 (pg. 35, NT)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORDAFFIRMATION OF FAITH: (From *A Declaration of Faith*, 1977)

The church's story with God did not end with the latest events recorded in Scripture. Across the centuries the company of believers has continued its pilgrimage with the Lord of history. It is a record of faith and faithlessness, glory and shame. The church has been persecuted by hostile societies, but it has also known times of privilege and power when it joined forces with dominant cultures. It has sought holiness through separation from society, as well as through involvement in the world's affairs. It has experienced life-giving reformations. It has known missionary expansion throughout the world, but also periods of dwindling resources and influence. It has divided into rival orders, sects, and denominations, but it has also labored for cooperation and union. We confess we are heirs of this whole story. We are charged to remember our past, to be warned and encouraged by it, but not to live it again. Now is the time of our testing as God's story with the church moves forward through us. We are called to live now as God's servants in the service of people everywhere.

GIVING OF OUR GIFTS

Opportunities to serve this week

Invitation to Give

Minute for Mission: Stewardship - Amanda Michaelis

Walk to Bethlehem - Diana Smith

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

CALL FOR OFFERING**OFFERTORY***The Image of God*

Courtney

***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.*

#606

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**HYMN***I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table*

#770

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: Creator God, we are amazed at your holy and diverse creation...With the ancestors, on this World Communion Sunday, your people cry out:

**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.

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

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. There are four kinds of bread for communion today: dark rye – representing eastern Europe, baguette – representing France and French-speaking countries, pita - representing the Middle East, tortillas- representing Central and South America. The two outside cups, farthest from the center aisle, contain wine. The center two cups contain grape juice, which is gluten-free. Gluten-free bread is available as wrapped wafers on every tray. 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

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

#761

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Send Me, Jesus

#746

POSTLUDE



The flowers in the chancel are given:

- *by Martha Rhea in memory of Glen Rhea.*
 - *by Amy Hoffman in memory of Nick Hoffman.*
 - *by Jane & Charley Weathers in celebration of their 63rd anniversary.*
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TODAY'S VOLUNTEERS:

Worship Assistant: Diana Smith

Greeter: Randy Hardy

Coffee Hostess: Seara Weir

Ushers: Marilyn Holgerson, Sarah & Dave Morris, Bette Timmel

Communion Preparers: Margaret & Bruce Wyatt

Communion Servers: Becky Cram, Randy Hardy, Betty Norman, Phil Krug, Diana Smith, Deb Shetlar, Margaret & Bruce Wyatt

Candle Lighter: Danielle Peckham

Deacons Flower Deliverer: Betty Norman

Manor Bus Driver: Sunrise Presbyterian

PRAY FOR OUR B90 PARTICIPANTS

READ B90

Participants in the Bible in 90 Days program this week will continue seeing hints of the coming of Jesus Christ, the Messiah, while they read the accounts of two Old Testament prophets, Isaiah and Jeremiah. Pray for, and offer encouragement to, the nearly 80 people taking part in this audacious challenge. And ask them about their experiences, and how their reading has changed them.

YOGA TIME HAS CHANGED!

Anytime is a perfect time to join Yoga at FPC! Beginning Wednesday, September 20th, yoga will change it's time to 5:30-6:30 p.m. Stop by any Wednesday to stretch those muscles, slow down and listen to your inner self too. A suggested donation of \$5, but is not required. All levels of ability are welcome for an integration of body, mind and the spirit. If you have any questions, email yoga@fpcsalina.org.

WALK TO BETHLEHEM

Let the journey begin.... again. Diana Smith and Brigid Hall are back to coordinate our 2017 Walk to Bethlehem (W2B). We will begin on Saturday, October 28th. We will end nine weeks later on Friday, December 22nd. That gives us NINE weeks to get there. We think everyone can find a way to participate AND we will need every mile we can get to cover the thousands of land and sea miles we have in front of us. Be on the lookout for the W2B Display coming in October. Feel free to start registering now by email to bdhall@swbell.net or by text to 785-571-8097. (Always provide your name & email address.)



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, October 1 – *World Communion Sunday*

Nursery Open – 9:45 am
Worship - Sanctuary, 10 am
B90 Class – Hope Room, 11 am
Fellowship – Parlor, 11 am
B90 Class – Hope Room, 5 pm



MONDAY, October 2

B90 Class – Hope Room, 10 am
Mail October *News* – Conference Room, 10:30 am
Women's Bible Study – Hope Room, 5:30 pm

TUESDAY, October 3

B90 Class – Hope Room, 12 pm
Social Justice & Mission – Hope Room, 5:30 pm
Mid-High Youth Group – Sonic, 6 pm

WEDNESDAY, October 4

FBI/FBI-In-Training – Downstairs Classroom, 3:45 pm
Yoga – Youth Annex, 5:30 pm
Midweek Manna – Blair Hall, 5:30 pm
Choir Practice – Choir Room, 6:30 pm

THURSDAY, October 5

HeBrews Bible Study – Mokas, 6:45 am
B90 Class – Hope Room, 5:30 pm

SUNDAY, October 8 – *Blessing of the Animals*

Nursery Open – 9:45 am
Worship - Sanctuary, 10 am
B90 Class – Hope Room, 11 am
Fellowship – Parlor, 11 am
Blessing of the Animals – Courtyard, 3 pm
B90 Class – Hope Room, 5 pm

PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING: OCTOBER 1 & 8



In October the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) will be actively engaged in peacemaking and reconciliation in more than 50 countries. Through our partner churches and organizations, our reach is extended to 100 countries. Your gift will help us do even more. In too many places around the world, peace is merely a hope. Conflicts between nations,

peoples, and ideas put peace at risk everywhere. During the Season of Peace, we recognize that too many people live in situations that are both unsettled and unjust. Your gift to the Peace & Global Witness Offering will work to address these deep-seated problems by supporting efforts to inspire, equip, and connect Presbyterians engaging in ministries of reconciliation and peace around the world. Through missions, work projects, and education, we witness to the peace of Christ for our sisters and brothers as they face some of the greatest challenges of our time. Help bring the peace of Christ to communities of conflict Oct. 1 and Oct. 8.

SUNRISE COAT CLOSET: OCTOBER 21

Sunrise Presbyterian Church is once again hosting a Coat Closet. Please donate new or gently used coats to the drive which occurs on Saturday, October 21st, from 9 am to 2 pm at 825 E. Beloit, Salina. Donations will be accepted from now until October 17th and can be taken to the Pit Stop, 674 W. Cloud or 1805 S 9th or to Sunrise Church. During the collection period, donators can take a snap (with Snapchat app) of themselves donating at one of the drop locations with the hashtag #coatcloset and use the snap to redeem 50% off their meal at *Gourmet to Go/Loft Catering* located on E. Iron.



CHILDREN'S SABBATH: OCTOBER 22

Every one of the children here at FPC are filled with talents and personalities that we are so blessed to have within the walls of this church. On Sunday, October 22nd, during worship, you'll be able to see a small glimpse of those talents and personalities. We will celebrate the joys that our FPC children bring to us throughout the Children's Sabbath. The children will lead us in worship, help with greeting, ushering, and the liturgy. We hope that you will join us and celebrate the gifts and love that our children bring!



BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS: OCTOBER 8

All Things Bright and Beautiful, All Creatures Great and Small, All Things Wise and Wonderful, The Lord God Made Them All! Mark your calendars! On Sunday, October 8th, at 3 p.m., we'll celebrate all of God's creatures with a Blessing of the Animals service in the courtyard. October 4th is the feast of Francis of Assisi, who was born in the 12th century and is the patron saint of animals and the environment. Bring your pets, live or stuffed, and we'll thank God for all they mean to us.

MIDWEEK MANNA HAS RESUMED EVERY WEDNESDAY NIGHT AT 5:30!



Please remember that we are glad to be providing good food, as well as fellowship. The free-will offering taken at Midweek Manna covers about half of the actual cost of the meal. There are other ways to support this new FPC ministry. You could "sponsor" a meal, or make a contribution to Midweek Manna in addition to your regular pledge. Contact Melanie in the Business Office if you are interested or have questions.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY BEGINS OCTOBER 2

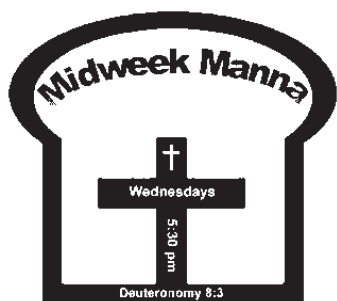
We will begin a new Bible Study group beginning this Monday, October 2nd, brought to us by the PW/Horizons Bible study, and titled "Cloud of Witnesses, the Community of Christ in Hebrews" by Melissa Bane Sevier. Please join us on a journey over nine lessons (the first Monday of each month), as the author invites us to explore major themes found in Hebrews, relate these themes to other parts of our faith tradition, and tie them together with the overarching motif of community. There are references in each class for Old and New Testaments, with an emphasis on Jesus Christ. This study also includes beautiful art in each chapter that ties back into the subject matter. Books are available in the church office during regular office hours. The cost is \$10. We look forward to seeing all of you on October 2nd!

DONATION REQUEST FROM THE CHILDREN



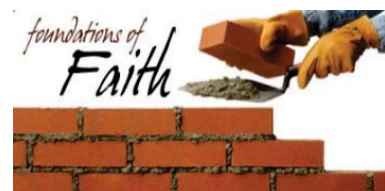
On October 4th, the Faithful Bible Investigators will be putting together Blessing Kits. These kits will contain everyday necessities that may not be accessible to some. Our children will make the kits and each take some home to give them out to those in need when God calls them to do so (and of course when parents approve). Those needed supplies include: **wet wipes, tooth brushes and tooth paste, protein bars, individually wrapped snacks, socks (children & adult), hand sanitizer,**

hand warmers, and any other 'everyday necessities' that will fit in a large zip lock bag. Donations can be placed on the table outside of the entry to the sanctuary. We are SO grateful for your consideration in assisting us with this service project!



MIDWEEK MANNA

A contemporary service with weekly
Dinner, Communion & Praise Band
(free-will offering)



JOIN US WEDNESDAY AT 5:30 P.M. THIS WEEK'S CATERER IS JIM'S CHICKEN!

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 9th-12th grade Youth Bible Study that meets every Thursday during the school year at 6:45 am at Mokas on Crawford. The name is derived from *Hebrews 10:25*.
- **God Squad** is our 6th-8th grade Youth Bible Study that meets every Tuesday during the school year from 6-7 pm at different Salina dining locations.
- **Adult Education Class** meets every Sunday at 9 a.m. in the Hope Room.
- 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. 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 and they will be forwarded to a pastor.

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SUNDAY STAFF

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Head Custodian: *Ed Zoch*
Custodian: *Tony Griggs*

Director of Children's CE: *Shelby Dickson*
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