



April, 2026

SUNRISE NEWS AND VIEWS

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Weekly Regular Schedule of Events

Sunday morning:

- 9:00 am Youth Sunday School
- 9:30 am in person and virtual Worship
- 10:30 am Fellowship
- 10:45 am Adult Sunday School
- 10:45 am Bell Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday morning:

- 11:00 am Lectionary Study Group

Wednesday evening:

- 6:00 pm Choir Practice

Other Events

Sundays:

- Presbyterian Manor Worship, first Sunday, 3:00 pm (Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct, Dec)
- Grief Support Group – second Sunday, 2:00 pm
- Prayer Shawl Ministry – third Sunday, 2:00 pm
- Current Issues – *new* – fourth Sunday, 2:00 pm
- Potluck Lunch – every fifth Sunday, 11:30 am

Mondays:

- Worship committee – first Monday, 6:00 pm
- Stewardship & Finance – second Monday, 5:30 pm
- Mission committee – second Monday, 6:30 pm
- Third Monday Book Study – third Monday, 1:00 pm
- Session meeting – fourth Monday, 6:00 pm,

Tuesdays:

- Nurture & Evangelism – first Tuesday, 10:00 am; **in April meets on the 14th.**

Meets periodically:

- Deacons, Building & Grounds committee, Personnel committee, Memorial committee.

Meetings & Events

PROFS meet on the first Wednesday of each month at 8:30 am in the MPR.

OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH will meet on Thursday, April 2, at 11:30 am at Hog Wild B-B-Q, 2525 Market Place. Come and enjoy the food and fellowship. Call Kathyne Perney or sign up @ MPR bulletin board by Wednesday noon.

NEWSLETTER articles for the May 2026 newsletter should be submitted by Tuesday, April 21st. Thank you!!

COMMODITIES were distributed on March 18. We served 49 people. With the help of a lot of Sunrisers and a few extra, we did well. The next date is May 20th. Thanks to all. -- Sylvia Phillips

The Sunrise Nurses will provide **Blood Pressure Checks** on April 19 following worship.

THIS MONTH AT SUNRISE

April 2, 6:00 p.m.
Maundy Thursday Service with
Communion

April 3, 6:00 p.m.
Good Friday Tenebrae

April 5, 9:30 a.m.
Resurrection / Easter Sunday
Easter Egg Hunt 10:45 am

April 25, All Day
Presbytery of Northern Kansas

From the Pastor

Always Be Hopeful, Always Be Grateful



God has been busy showing me ways to be grateful, and I have many of you to thank for that. And it's usually true for me that when I am grateful, I am more hopeful. Perhaps that's something we'll think more about in this Season of Easter.

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead is certainly a reason for Hope. Christ is alive in every aspect of our lives – from the minute and mundane things of life, to the staggeringly tragic and overwhelming things we experience, to the profoundly joyful and exquisitely wonderful things that happen in our lives. Christ is always and already with us and up close and personal.

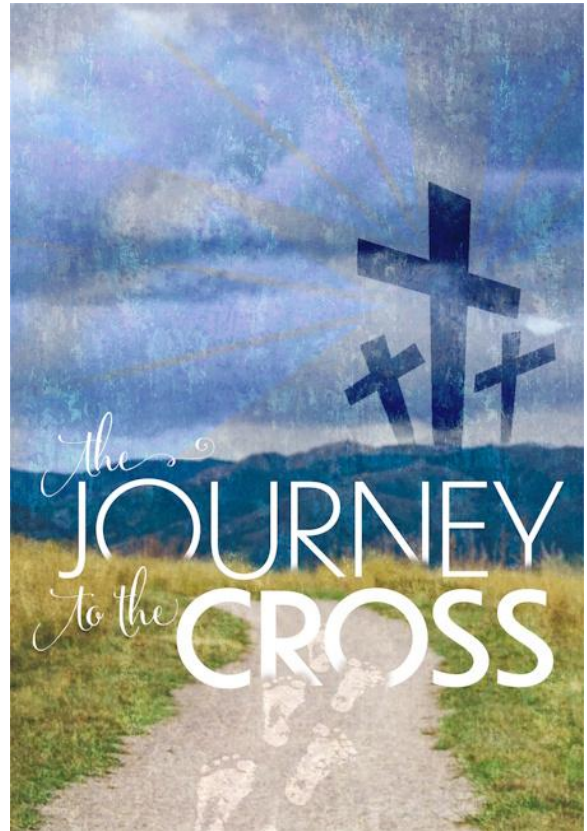
I am hopeful and grateful for the Season which is upon us. For the opportunities to gather together to worship and pray, to lament and to be restored to a new hope in Jesus Christ. Holy Week comes with its sadness and despair, just like we experience in our own lives. Holy Week asks us to hold the sadness and despair in tension with the hopeful joy of the resurrection. Both are real. Both are true. Both help us journey to a closer relationship with God and with one another.

My prayer for you is that you will fully embrace the events of Holy Week, and that you will prepare your heart to welcome the risen Savior, Jesus Christ, into your life, again and again. Then, walk toward a new relationship with Christ during the Season of Easter.

I'll see you in church – in person or online!

- April 2, Maundy Thursday w/ Communion
- April 3, Good Friday Tenebrae
- April 5, Resurrection / Easter Sunday

Joyfully serving Christ with you,
Pastor Deb



From the Music Director Matthew Schwan

You are warmly invited to join us at Sunrise Presbyterian Church this Good Friday for a moving and reflective evening of worship.

At 6:00 pm, our Chancel Choir will present "*Candles of Grace: A Service for Tenebrae*" by Joseph Martin and Brad Nix. This powerful service of light and darkness invites us to journey through the final hours of Christ's life, remembering His sacrifice and the depth of His love shown on the cross.

Come and experience a meaningful time of music, scripture, and reflection as we gather together in reverence and hope. All are welcome to attend this special service as we prepare our hearts for Easter.

We hope you will join us for this sacred and beautiful evening.

~~ Matthew Schwan

April Birthdays

- 1 Jim Gile
- 1 Larry Buyse
- 2 Paul McAfee
- 3 Jane Alsop
- 3 Marci McCullough
- 7 Mark Zimmerman
- 13 Judy Granfield
- 17 Lloyd McCall
- 19 Judy Weber
- 19 JoAnn Gile
- 21 Jo Peterson
- 22 Barbara Kollhoff
- 23 Lydia Schwan

April Birthdays, cont'd

- 24 Neva Naegele
- 26 Clarke Sanders
- 27 Conni Steininger
- 28 John Ryan Zimmerman
- 30 Len Buehre
- 30 Kevin Cool
- 30 Roger Coberly
- 30 Carolyn Hofer

April Anniversaries

- 9 Jean & Larry Buyse
- 19 Mark Zimmerman & Carolyn Hofer



It's simple and easy to find a person's birthday or anniversary on the Instant Church Directory app. If you would like some help setting up the app on your phone, please let the Nurture Committee know. We're happy to help!



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SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
			1 8:30 PROFS 1:00 Lenten study 6:00 pm Choir 7:30 Lenten study	2 11:30 am Out to Lunch Bunch @ Hog Wild B-B-Q 6:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service w/ Communion	3 6:00 pm Good Friday Tenebrae 6:30 pm AI Anon 8 pm AA	4
5 EASTER SUNDAY 9:00 Youth S.S. 9:30 Worship Communion 10:30 Fellowship 10:45 Easter Egg Hunt No Adult S.S. 10:45 Bell Choir 3p Presbyterian Manor Worship	6 6:00 pm Worship	7 11:00 Lectionary 8 pm AA	8 6:00 pm Project Salina Bd. Mtg. 6:00 pm Choir	9	10 6:30 pm AI Anon 8 pm AA	11
12 9:00 Youth S.S. 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship 10:45 Adult S.S. 10:45 Bell Choir 2 pm Grief Group	13 5:30 pm S&F 6:30 pm Mission	14 10:00 Nurture 11:00 Lectionary 5:30 Building & Grounds 8 pm AA	15 9:30 – 1:00 Project Salina Kickoff Luncheon 6:00 pm Choir	16	17 6:30 pm AI Anon 8 pm AA	18
19 9:00 Youth SS 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship Blood Pressure Ck 10:45 Adult SS 10:45 Bell Choir 2:00 Prayer Shawl	20 1:00 3 rd Monday Book Study	21 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 11:00 Lectionary 8 pm AA	22 6:00 pm Choir	23 9:30 Morning Circle at Presby Manor 2:00 Afternoon Circle at home of Katie Weis	24 All day set-up for Presbytery mtg. 6:30 pm AI Anon 8 pm AA	25 Sunrise hosting Presbytery of Northern Kansas meeting – all day
26 9:00 Youth SS 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship 10:45 Adult SS 10:45 Bell Choir 2pm Current Issues	27 6:00 pm Session	28 11:00 Lectionary 8 pm AA	29 12 pm – 6:30 pm Bloodmobile 6:00 pm Choir	30 12 pm – 6:00 pm Bloodmobile		

Throughout the newsletter, you will find pictures of many of the beautiful quilts that were made by Betty Rasette during her lifetime. They were on display in the sanctuary during her celebration of life.



In Service of the Church - April

Worship Assistants Schedule

Date	Lay Leaders	Acolytes
April 5	Sara McAfee	Lydia & Laiklyn
April 12	Jane Alsop	Kolton & Kortney
April 19	Nancy Klostermeyer	Lydia & Laiklyn
April 26	Steve Ewing	Kolton & Kortney



Date	Ushers	Greeters
April 2 Maundy Thursday	Kim Gillam	East door: Nancy Thompson South door: Mel Abbott & Melisa McElwee
April 3 Good Friday	Merilyn Griffith	East door: Tessa Bolen South door: Mel Abbott & Melisa McElwee
April 5	Larry & Jean Buyse	East door: LeRay Wilkie South door: Doug & Jennifer Byarlay
April 12	Karen Sutton LeAnn Blancho	East door: Brenda Pilcher South door: Mary McCall
April 19	Marci McCullough Mindy Johnson	East door: Kim Gillam South door: Kris Boyer
April 26	Blaine McAfee Kolton	East door: Jerry McKee South door: Rosie McKee

Date	Manor Drivers
April 5	Ed Viar
April 12	Pat Breeding
April 19	Dean Atteberry
April 26	Larry Buyse

Children's Message



Would you like to volunteer to give a Children's Message during worship? We would love to have you! Please check the bulletin board near the MPR to sign up.



Attendance Register for March 2026

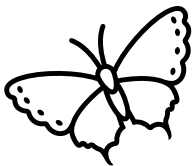
	In person	YouTube	Total
March 1	64	34	98
March 1 Installation	54	11	65
March 8	68	24	92
March 15	76	21	97
March 22	68	63	131
March 29	87	12	99



What is **OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH?**

This is a group of people from Sunrise Presbyterian Church who enjoy eating and visiting. We get together the first Thursday of each month for lunch and a time to visit. We go to a different restaurant each month, so it is also a chance to try different places to eat. Everyone is welcome to join in on the fun, food, and fellowship. Simply let Kathyne Perney know if you plan to attend the next gathering. (You can sign-up on the sheet on the bulletin board in the hallway as well.

Nurture Committee



SAVE THE DATE!

Sunrise Women's Retreat will be held on Saturday, August 22, 2026 - 9:00 am to 2:30 pm

Stay tuned!... 😊

Julie Parks & the Women's Retreat Gals

EASTER EGG HUNT ON SUNDAY



There will be an Easter Egg Hunt at 10:45a on Easter Sunday April 5. The Easter Egg hunt will be outside (weather permitting). We will gather at the East Doors at 10:45 and will start the Egg Hunt together, when everyone is ready! The groups will be divided up per age groups. We will have ages 0-5, Pre-k to 2nd grade and then 3rd to 5th grades. The 0-5 age group will be in the South grass section outside the East Doors, the Pre-k to 2nd grades in the North grass section outside the East Doors and the 3rd to 5th grades out across the parking area, where the picnic tables are at. Everyone is welcome to join in the fun! Please bring your own baskets if you have them! We will have a few baskets available for anyone who needs one!

MISSION AT SUNRISE

SUNRISE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Mission Committee is accepting applications for the Sunrise scholarship program. Any high school graduate that is a Sunrise member may apply for a scholarship for the 2026-2027 school year. Application forms may be picked up at the church office. Please submit your completed application to the church office by **May 15, 2026**.

SUNRISE APRIL LINGERIE DRIVE

Sunrise will once again be collecting lingerie during the month of April. The lingerie will be distributed to Salina Grace, CKF, DVACK, and Ashby House. You can place your donated items in the lingerie chest located in the foyer. You may also make cash donations. Be sure to write "lingerie shower" on the check memo line.



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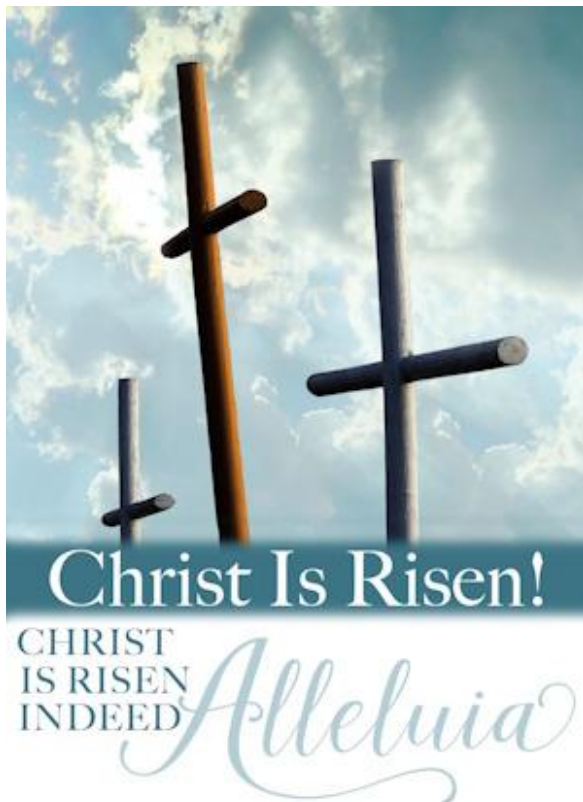
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General Office Hours: 9am-noon, Mon. – Thurs.

Financial Office Hours: 10am-noon, Mon. & Thurs.

Music Ministry: Chancel Choir, Wednesday, 6:00 pm

Bell Choir, Sunday, 10:45 am

Pastor: Rev. Deb Schmidt

Director of Music & Bell Choir: Matthew Schwan

Organist: Sue Will

Church Treasurer: JoAnn Gile

Financial Secretary: Karmel Spencer

Custodian: Greg Kerr