



August 2026

SUNRISE NEWS AND VIEWS

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Schedule of Events

Sunday morning:

9:30 am in person and virtual Worship
10:30 am Fellowship

Sundays:

Presbyterian Manor Worship, first Sunday, **2:00 pm, lower level in August**
(Sunrise is responsible for worship on the first Sunday of even months.)
Grief Support Group – second Sunday, 2:00 pm
Prayer Shawl Ministry – third Sunday, 2:00 pm

Mondays:

Worship committee – first Monday, 6:00 pm
Stewardship & Finance – second Monday, 5:30 pm
Mission committee – second Monday, 6:30 pm
Session meeting – fourth Monday, 6:00 pm

Tuesdays:

Nurture & Evangelism – first Tuesday, 10:00 am, **2nd Tuesday in August**
Building & Grounds committee – second Tuesday, 5:30 pm

As Scheduled:

Deacons, Personnel committee, Memorial committee.

Meetings & Events

PROFS usually meet on the first Wednesday of each month at 8:30 am in the MPR, but **are on a break in August**, resuming in September.

OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH will meet Thursday, August 6, at 11:30 am for lunch at Big Cheese Pizza located at 730 S. Broadway. Let Kathryne Perney know if you plan to attend. Everyone is welcome.

NEWSLETTER Please submit articles for the September 2026 newsletter by Wednesday, August 19. Thank you!!

COMMODITIES The next commodities distribution will be held in September. Date and time is not yet determined. We appreciate all who help with this important ministry. -- Sylvia Phillips

The Sunrise Nurses will provide **Blood Pressure Checks** by request during the month of August. We will resume regular monthly checks on the third Sunday in September.

AUGUST HIGHLIGHTS

Worship with Communion 8/2
Presbyterian Manor Worship 8/2
Committee meetings resume
Out to Lunch Bunch 8/6
Deacons 8/6
Salina Chorale resumes 8/17
Women's Retreat 8/22
Red Cross Blood Drive 8/26 – 8/28
Fifth Sunday Potluck 8/30

From the Pastor

Caring & Sharing



"You are the body of Christ. Each one of you is a part of it." 1 Corinthians 12:27 NIRV

The past few months have certainly been interesting at Sunrise! Even with all the storm damage to the building, a large collection of buckets lining the halls and offices, and no access to the kitchen, we have still been able to worship together, gather for fellowship together, to host the CASTLE, summer program, welcome the Red Cross blood drive, minister with a family for a funeral, celebrate at a couple of receptions, and we have kept things humming in the office pretty much "as usual".

The Session, at a special meeting recently, selected a contractor and bid for the roof repair. Yay!! I know we're all grateful! Paperwork has been signed and the work on the roof is scheduled to begin very soon – maybe even by the time you receive this newsletter. Wouldn't that be fabulous?!?

Once the roof is repaired, we will get to work on the interior. There will be a need for additional funds above what insurance paid, to cover deductible and depreciation, as well as some necessary improvements. For instance, insurance covers going back with a flat roof (as we were), while we are choosing a tapered system on part of the flat roof to aid in draining water off the roof. That kind of improvement is our responsibility, and additional funds will be needed. A second example is carpet. Will it be adequate to clean the carpets (included in insurance) or might we need to replace some of it? Same with the kitchen. You get the idea.

Above all, I know we all have a commitment to restoring the building so that it may be used to give God glory and honor as well as be a welcoming place where we may gather and worship and do ministry together.

The Session also voted to allow for fundraising efforts to begin, to help cover the gap between what insurance will cover and actual costs. So far the goal is merely an estimate, as we know the roof costs, but little else. Of course, we can see with our eyes much of what needs fixing, but we will need to get estimates.

Wondering how you can help? First, please pray about how God is calling you to be a part of this restoration project. Is it money? Time? A donation of some kind? (E.g., The desk in the financial secretary's office is water damaged. You might have office furniture that would replace it.)

With all of us working together, all small and large gifts will be put to good use to restore the structure, appearance, and function of this beautiful church. It is truly a gift from God that you are invested in Sunrise in so many ways. Thank you for your commitment, devotion, and participation in the life of Christ's church.

Joyfully serving Christ with you,
Pastor Deb



Sunrise Women's Retreat

Registration deadline is August 1!

The hopeful deadline for receiving registrations for our Women's Retreat, "**Holy Chaos; God Weaves Beauty into Our Messy Lives**" is August 1. We will still take them shortly after that date, but it is SO helpful in planning to know how many will join us! (Extra registration forms are on the table in the hall by the mailboxes and they can be turned in to the church office.)



The Retreat is scheduled for **Saturday, August 22, from 9am-2:30pm**. It includes lunch and breakfast goodies and more of what you've asked for! Cost is \$15.00 — there are scholarships available for those who need them. We don't want anyone to miss out because of cost. 😊

Dress is casual and layering is suggested. The temperature in the MPR is hard to control! We hope you will join us. We are excited to share what we've planned for you!

Beautiful Blessings to you all--

Retreat Committee:

Jane Alsop
Nancy Modin
Julie Parks
Deb Schmidt
Carol Viar



ALL-CHURCH POTLUCK

5th Sunday Sunrise Potluck on August 30!

Your Nurture Committee invites you to join us for our **5th Sunday Potluck** in the MPR at 11:30am on August 30. Sunrise will provide fried chicken (thank you Mother Dillon!) and everyone can bring a dish to share. We hope you will join us for this fun fellowship event! NOTE: There probably will not be the use of the kitchen, so plan accordingly.

Nurture Committee



Salina Chorale

Salina Chorale will resume their Monday evening practice schedule at Sunrise on August 17. Their presence in our building started out as a temporary solution for them and they have grown to love being at Sunrise for rehearsal. If you're in the building on Monday evenings as they come and go at 6:30 and 8:30 pm, please greet our community friends with a warm Sunrise welcome.

For more information on the Salina Chorale, please visit their website at <https://salinachorale.com/>

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SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
<i>Registration deadline for Sunrise Women's Retreat is August 1. Please see the article to learn how to register. The retreat will be held on Saturday, August 22.</i>						1
2 9:30 Worship Communion 10:30 Fellowship 2 pm Presby Manor	3 6:00 pm Worship cmt.	4 10:30 Women's Retreat Cmte. 8 pm AA	5 NO PROFS	6 11:30 am Out to Lunch Bunch @ Big Cheese Pizza 6:30 pm Deacons	7 8 pm AA	8
9 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship 2 pm Grief Group	10 5:30 pm S&F 6:30 pm Mission	11 10:00 Nurture 5:30 Building & Grounds 8 pm AA	12 Project Salina Bd.	13	14 8 pm AA	15
16 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship 2 pm Prayer Shawl	17 1:00 pm Book Study 6:30 pm Salina Chorale	18 8 pm AA	19 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	20	21 Retreat Setup 8 pm AA	22 Women's Retreat 9:00 am – 2:30 pm
23 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship	24 6:00 pm Session 6:30 pm Salina Chorale	25 8 pm AA	26 11:30a-6:00p Blood Drive	27 12p-6p Blood Drive	28 8a-2p Blood Drive 8 pm AA	29
30 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship 5 th Sunday Potluck	31					

Hello Sunrise,

Good news folks!
Mariners still plan to hold the Annual Ice Cream Social in late summer / early Fall. We know you'll be excited to gather with Sunrise friends and neighbors over two scoops of ice cream, a dessert and a beverage. All for a donation of \$6. The date will be determined soon and tickets will also be available. Don't let the summer heat get to you. The Sunrise Ice Cream Social is just around the corner!



Thanks in advance,
 Sunrise Mariners

AGENCY NEEDS IN SALINA

SALINA EMERGENCY AID FOOD BANK:

SpaghettiOs & Ravioli,
 Tea bags, Cereal

SALINA GRACE:

Men's & women's underwear
 (specifically mentioned sports bras),
 Blue jeans – all sizes,
 Gently used or new shoes

SALINA RESCUE MISSION

Tums, Allergy relief meds,
 Coffee mugs

SALVATION ARMY

Prayers,
 Games for Youth Program

In Service of the Church – AUGUST

Worship Assistants Schedule

Date	Lay Leaders	Ushers	Greeters
August 2	Conni Steininger	Melisa McElwee Melanie Hancock	East: Ann Zimmerman South: Cheryl Sweley & Ken Miller
August 9	Julie Parks	Nancy Klostermeyer Jane Alsop	East: Linda Allen South: Tom & Sylvia Phillips
August 16	Jane Alsop	Nancy Thompson Kim Gillam	East: Marilyn Griffith South: Brenda Pilcher
August 23	Nancy Modin	Dave & Julie Parks	East: LeRay Wilkie South: Sharon Herrington
August 30	Steve Ewing	Tessa Bolen Karen Sutton	East: Sharon Hauser South: Mel Abbott & Melisa McElwee

Manor Drivers

Date	Driver
August 2	Pat Breeding
August 9	Larry Buyse
August 16	Ed Viar
August 23	Pat Breeding
August 30	Ed Viar



Birthdays

1 Judy Christensen	21 Ethan Bolen
5 Brayden McKnight	22 Kathryn Lee
5 Abner Perney	23 Nancy Modin
11 Sharon Hauser	24 Marilyn Griffith
12 Elena Ewing	29 Daelan McKnight
13 Sharon Anderson	31 Valerie Coberly
14 Steve Hoekstra	

Anniversaries

11 Linda Allen	21 Tom & Sylvia
13 Steve & Tanya Ewing	Phillips
	27 Mary & Lloyd McCall

Attendance Register for June 2026

	In person	YouTube	Total
June 7	56	19	75
June 14	52	15	67
June 21	47	14	61
June 28	52	15	67

Attendance Register for July 2026

	In person	YouTube	Total
July 5	64	42	106
July 12	50	19	69
July 19	50	16	66
July 26			

Invitation to Volunteer

Additional volunteers are needed to cover the office Monday through Thursday from 9-12. The group that helps is greatly appreciated but we could use more volunteers. Please see or call Jean Adam if questions. Thank you!



THE CASTLE PROJECT 2026



This summer, CASTLE was blessed to serve 106 students throughout the summer. We had an absolute blast programming robots, flexing our nine-squares skills, and cultivating new friendships.

Our students enjoyed memorable field trips to Webster Conference Center, the Salina Public Library, and the Huesner Elementary playground, creating opportunities for both adventure and enrichment.

Thanks to the Summer Food Service Program and the YMCA, we also sent home more than 600 take-home bags filled with breakfasts and weekend food essentials to help meet the needs of our families.

We are especially grateful to Sunrise for being such welcoming and supportive hosts—your kindness, hospitality, and support continue to make a lasting impact on the children and families we serve.

Thank you for helping make this summer a wonderful success!

Riley Rundell, CASTLE Director

The CASTLE board: Ken Miller, LeAnn Blancho, Karen Sutton, Paul McAfee, Sharon Anderson, Mary Ann Lay, Carol Viar.



Children in the foster care system often face instability, trauma, and frequent changes in schools or homes. Having a consistent, caring adult advocate can cut their chances of re-entering the foster system by half and dramatically improve their likelihood of succeeding in school.

By supporting and advocating for a child you can change their story and potentially the rest of their life. Giving a child hope and support will boost their confidence and show them that they are loved and important.

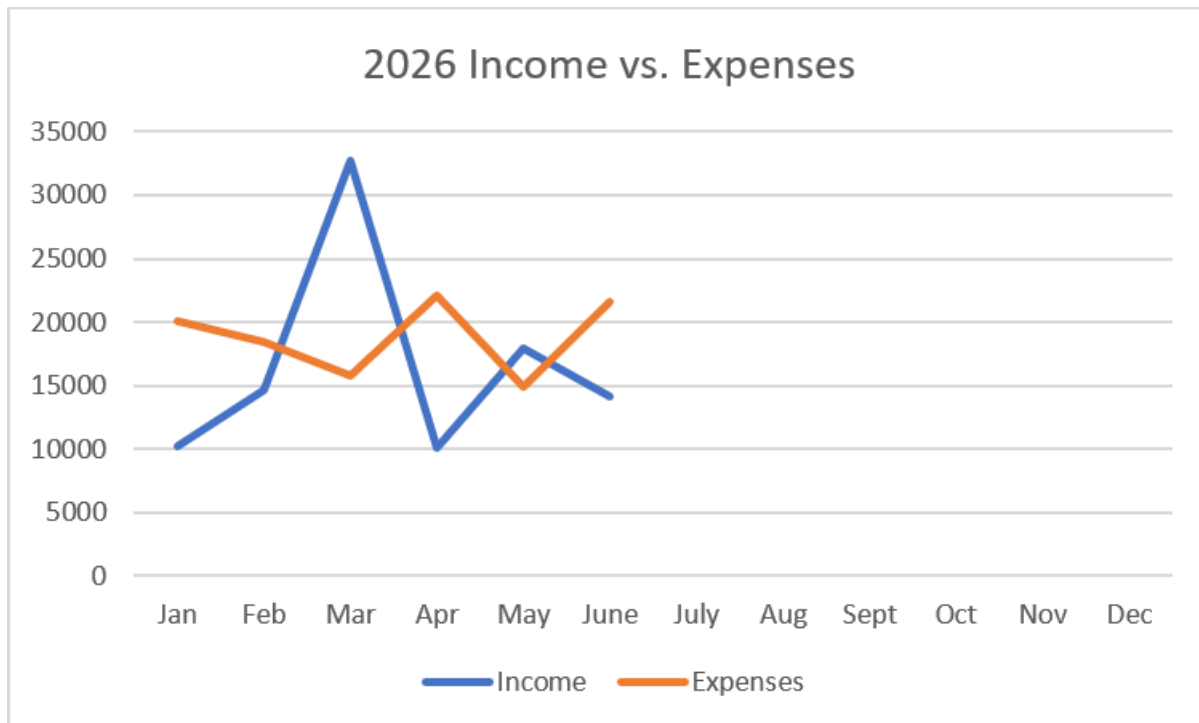
Can you give 2 hours a week to advocate for a child? Give a voice to a child in need.....call Angela at CAPS 785-825-4493 to sign up. Our next training starts in August 2026.

Change a Child's Story.....become a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA).



STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

Mid-Year Review



If you look up "consistency" in the dictionary, you will not see a picture of the Sunrise financials!!

Our income (blue line) has been at roughly \$10K in January and April to a high of over \$32K for March. Our expenses (red line) range from approximately \$15K to \$22K.

How can you help with consistency? Write that pledge check monthly. Or set up automatic monthly withdrawal from your bank account. Both of these options will help smooth out our income stream.

Through June of this year, we are running a deficit of just over \$13K.

How does that compare to 2025 you ask? We had a \$17.7K deficit through June in 2025. So, from that perspective, we are doing better.

The question is, will we finish the year as strong as we did last year? The answer is...with your help we will.

Thanks for all you do to help Sunrise Presbyterian Church !!!

Dave Parks

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Sunday Mornings

9:00 am Youth Sunday School

9:30 am in person and virtual Worship

10:30 am Fellowship

10:45 am Adult Sunday School

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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