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SUNRISE NEWS AND VIEWS



Romans 5:8
But God commendeth
his love toward us, in
that, while we were yet
sinners, Christ
died for us.



March 5

CASTLE Pancake Breakfast

February 20-22

Red Cross Blood Drive



February 25

Mariner's Chili Supper



Martha's Musings

*O Lord Our God, You are immortal, the creator and maker of all.
We are mortal, formed of the earth,
And to earth shall we return.*

We use these words at every service of Witness to the Resurrection. We read them before we join together to sing our beloved "Alleluia." The words remind us of reality – of our human nature – of the fact that we all will die.

We've seen too much of death this winter both at Sunrise and in our larger community. Many of us have attended multiple funerals these past few months. We've grieved the loss of friends and family. We've known the pain that comes from losing those we love. Death is difficult – death is hard – and death is part of living.

Often, we are uncomfortable talking about death. Sometimes we really don't have words we can easily use. We struggle to talk with those we love. Other times when loved ones are ill, we may hold tightly to the promise of modern medicine to offer new life and cures when they may not prove helpful and might indeed offer more suffering. It's confusing to work through the maze of options – be they medical options or the choice of care facilities.

I read a book last year that helped me think more clearly about

these issues and choices: *Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End*, by Atul Gawande. In it, Gawande, a practicing surgeon and the son of two doctors, reveals his struggles to help his aging parents navigate medical and lifestyle choices. He includes the history of nursing homes. Gawande offers many suggestions for helping people stay in their own homes. He tells how even he as a doctor was confused by treatment plans suggested doctors when his father was diagnosed with cancer. Gawande found navigating these systems every bit as difficult as we all find them.

Gawande helps us talk about the importance and meaning of our lives. He raises questions for us about how we want to live. These questions are important when we are confronted with a new diagnosis or with failing abilities. I urge us all to read and discuss this book. It's engaging and important. It helps us claim the wonder of our lives and encourages us to live each day as fully as we can.

In Christ,

Martha

"Sometimes we really don't have words we can easily use. We struggle to talk with those we love."

My Sermons Available Online

Missed church but want to know what the sermon was about? Martha's sermons on the Sunrise website. Each week on Monday morning, we will post the previous Sunday's sermon on the front page of our website.



[sunrisepresbyterian.com](http://www.sunrisepresbyterian.com)

God's Kids / Youth

Leslie used a large parachute as a prop during music time with the kids recently. It was a great way to blend singing, exercise, cooperation with others, etc., and the kids had so much fun doing it!

Jesus
me



Income Taxes

The Salina Area United Way and VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) are once again offering free income tax preparation for moderate and low income individuals and families (generally \$53,000 and below).

GET YOUR TAXES DONE

COMPLETELY **FREE!**



Get your **FULL Refund** with VITA
E-file to Get Your Refund Faster
No Hidden Fees or Expenses

Our IRS-Trained
volunteers can help you
with your tax credits

You may be eligible for Earned
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Homestead Tax Credit, etc.

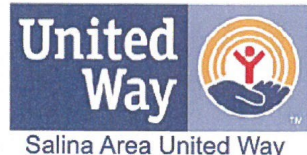
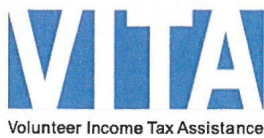
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KEEP MORE OF YOUR MONEY!

January 30 - April 18, 2017

Mondays: 10:00 am • 4:00 pm
Tuesdays: 1:00 pm • 6:00 pm
Thursdays: 1:00 pm • 6:00 pm
Saturdays: 9:00 am • 2:00 pm



Commodities

Sunrise members hard at work as volunteers for the USDA Food Commodities Program we are sponsoring. We appreciate you, volunteers!



CASTLE Pancake Breakfast

CASTLE pancake breakfast will be held Sunday, March 5 beginning right after the morning worship service.

Support our summer enrichment program for area youth with a generous donation at the breakfast.

Several flavors of pancakes, juice, milk and sausages will be served. See you there!



Red Cross Blood Drive

The schedule for the blood drive held February 20-22 at Sunrise follows:

Monday: 12:00 - 7:00 pm

Tuesday: 12:00 - 7:00 pm

Wednesday: 8:00 am - 2:00 pm



Did you know...
a single blood donation can save up to 3 lives?

Prayer Notes

There's a loving letter I mean to write,
 There's a visit I mean to pay,
 There's a careless habit I hope to mend,
 When I get the time someday.


There's a dusty Bible I mean to read,
 There's an hour I'll keep to pray;
 I'll turn each dream to a golden deed,
 When I get the time someday.

I'll carry flowers to the sick and sad,
 I'll seek for those who stray;
 You can trace my steps by hearts made glad,
 When I get the time someday.

So somebody thought, so somebody said,
 But wasn't it just a crime?
 Too busy with less important things,
 They never did get the time.

*From the 1987 Farmers'
 Almanac
 Author Unknown*

For God

so loved the world
 that He gave His
 only
 begotten 
 Son so
 that whosoever
 believes
 in Him shall not
 perish but have
 eternal life.



BrandiDaze.com

John 3:16

Mariner's Annual Chili Supper

The Sunrise Mariner Annual Chili Supper will be Saturday, February 25. The serving time is 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. The work schedule is up in the kitchen. Please sign up! We need everyone's help, if you are a Mariner or not. Tickets are out. You can buy them from any Mariner. The cooking crew will start between 7:00 and 7:30 am. Come and help. It is always a great time!. July will be ice cream social time! Does that make you feel warmer? Thanks, Paul McAfee.

NOTE: There are still time slots available on the work crew schedule, thanks in advance for signing up.



Thank You from Jean

Dear Church Members:

Thank you all for the cards, calls, visits, and snacks while I was a Presbyterian Manor's Care Center. They were all greatly appreciated.

I want to give a big thank you to all who helped or donated food for Claude Wolf's funeral luncheon. The tables were beautiful

and the spread of food delicious. Over 200 attended the funeral and almost 100 stayed for the luncheon. I was so proud of our church. Pastor Martha did a great job of speaking and presiding. God bless you all.

With love and appreciation,

Jean Burch



Farewell to Tysens

In January we bid a fond farewell to long-time members Harry and Linda Tysen. We had cake and donuts after worship and wish them well in their new adventure.

Harry and Linda have moved to Brooklyn, NY to be near their son, daughter in law & granddaughter.



Thank You from All of the Deacons

There are lots of *thank you's* that go out to the people who helped make the January funerals a positive experience. Thank you to Martha who provided comforting messages, to Angie who found out on Monday morning that she had 4 more bulletins to prepare, to Greg who set up more tables, to Sue who provided the music, to Jack who responded to building problems, to Irene who worked at both meals & brought 2 salads, to Mary who works so hard, to former Deacons who called and offered to make a salad, to Katie & Betty who provided table decorations, to Ken who buys food for Sunrise events, etc., etc., etc.

Those who also helped were Betty Rasette, Katie Weis, Irene Hill, Pat Tomlins, Mary McCall, Ruth Self, Nancy Klostermeyer, Jean Drees, Betty Kerr, Sylvia Phillips, Jean Burch, Rosie McKee, Conni Steininger, Neva Naegele, Beth Miller, Karen Sutton, Marilyn Benyshek, LeRay Wilkie, and Jean Reed.

I apologize if anyone was left out, but as you can see, it certainly takes a village. We hope that the families were comforted as people come together to celebrate the joy of these lives that we have shared.



Thank You from Trudy

Thank you so very much for your phone calls, for taking me to church and for visiting Jack.

We both feel so blessed to have a church home like Sunrise.

Much love ,

Trudy Chaney



In Service of The Church - February



February Lay Leaders

- 05 Pat Tomlins
- 12 Cheryl Sweley
- 19 Paul McAfee
- 26 Steve Ewing



February Acolytes

- 05 Tacey Barrett
- 12 Jace Hewitt
- 19 Riley Allmond
- 26 Allen Johnson

Manor Bus Drivers for February

- Feb. 5 - Clarke Sanders
- Feb. 12 - Pat Breeding
- Feb. 19 - Ed Viar
- Feb. 26 - Jim Gile



January	
Attendance Register	
1st	59
8th	110
15th	55
22nd	98
29th	97

February Ushers

- February 05
Roger Herrington
Sharon Herrington
- February 12
Tom Phillips
Sylvia Phillips
- February 19
Jim Gile
JoAnn Gile
- February 26
Elena Ewing
Emily Ewing

February Greeters

- East: Nadine Griffin & Melba Buck
South: Vicki Moss & Tacey Barrett
- East: Kevin & Stephanie Cool
South: Nadine Griffin & Irene Hill
- East: Bruce & Marilyn Benyshek
South: Harold & Linda Waggoner
- East: Irene Hill & Perry Hunsley
South: Faye Morris & Ruby McBee



February Birthdays and Anniversaries



5	Marilyn Benyshek Gabe Decker Dale Reed Paedyn Merrill	15	Phyllis Nicholson
7	Greg Kerr James Viar	16	Melisa McElwee
9	Betty Abbott Ashlynd Merrill Gladys Reid	17	Jeanne Sebree
		19	Mary McCall
		20	Steve Sebree Adriel Ordonoz
		21	Barbara Corby
10	Brianna Hutton Dean & Janet Atteberry Anniversary	25	Conner Griffith Miranda Merrill
11	Sherill Kerr	26	Lloyd & Rowena Arensman Anniversary
12	Justin Jensen	28	Keri Merrill
14	Deena Horst Terry Steininger		

Did we make a mistake?



Please don't hesitate to let us know if we've left out anything such as birthdays and anniversaries, or if we have made a mistake or omission in the newsletter.

Do you have news?

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have newsletter items to share, or with any comments about the newsletter! I hope everyone is enjoying February so far!

Angie Koshgarian,
Newsletter Editor



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Sunday Mornings

9:30 a.m. *Worship*
(Communion – First Sunday of Each Month)
10:30 a.m. *Fellowship*
10:45 a.m. *Sunday School for All (Off During Summer)*

General Office Hours:
8:00 am-12:00 pm, Monday-Friday
Financial Office Hours:
10:00 am-12:00 pm, Monday & Thursday

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Martha Murchison
Director of Music: Leslie Mangrum
Organist: Sue Will
Church Treasurer: JoAnn Gile
Financial Secretary: Karmel Spencer
Office Administrator & Newsletter Editor:
Angie Koshgarian
Custodian: Greg Kerr