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Ash Wednesday Worship Service will be held on Wednesday, February 14 at 6:00 pm.

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God is Gift-Love

I wonder how often we think of God as the author of the Love that we celebrate on Valentine's Day and every other day of the year?

C. S. Lewis, in his book "The Four Loves," says at first we may take the Gospel of John's assertion that "God is love" to be a very plain and simple explanation of the whole subject of love. But then, he explores the matter, going deeper, and discovering that though humans love each other and God, our love, even our love for God, is not on the same plane as that of God's love.

Humans have a "need-love." "We are born helpless. As soon as we are fully conscious, we discover loneliness. We need others physically, emotionally, intellectually; we need them if we are to know anything, even ourselves." (C.S. Lewis, "The Four Loves," Harper Collins Publishers, epub February 2017.) We humans need each other and we have a deep need for God. We love, but our love is, even at its best, never as fully all-giving as God's love.

God's love is divine love. Lewis describes God's divine love as "Gift-love." "The Father gives all He is and has to the Son. The Son gives Himself back to the Father, and gives Himself to the world, and for the world to the Father, and thus gives the world (in Himself) back to the Father too." (Ibid.)

Perhaps that is one connection we can make during this month that focuses so much on L O V E. God's LOVE in Christ for us is the greatest gift of love that anyone could ever receive. Christ gifts himself to each of us, personally, individually, and unselfishly in Divine Love. Incarnate – with us – in the flesh. Remember that the greatest gift you will ever receive is the "Gift-love" of God who has given you all God is, especially for you, in Jesus Christ.

Joyfully serving Christ with you, Pastor Deb

February 2024 is a month filled with many church activities!

On February 4, Communion will be celebrated in worship at 9:30 and at Presbyterian Manor at 3:00.

Tuesday, **February 6th** will find a couple of us attending the **Presbytery meeting via Zoom** online. Please note -- Lectionary Study Group – that you will need to guide the ship on your own that morning!

CASTLE is having a Virtual Pancake Feed to help support the CASTLE program. Please participate!

The **Sunrise Annual Meeting and Lunch** will be held on **February 11 at 11:30** in the MPR. Chicken will be provided and you are invited to bring a covered dish to share. Following the lunch, we will hear reports from committees and Session about the state of the church for 2023, and other such matters.

Lent begins on **February 14** with an **Ash Wednesday service** commencing at **6:00 p.m.** The choir will practice after the Ash Wednesday service.

A **Lenten Book Study** is being planned to commence **during the first week of Lent** (the week of the 18th). The book I am considering for us to study is "He Set His Face to Jerusalem" by Richard B. Wilke. Please sign up on the sign-up sheet outside the MPR if you are interested in meeting with us.

Looking ahead to March, we will celebrate Communion on March 3, March 28, and March 31. The Session has planned for Communion to be passed in the pews on Easter morning, to celebrate the joy that Christ has Risen!

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ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Topics for Adult Faith in the Parlor

The adult class that meets in the parlor on Sunday mornings is currently viewing the DVD and discussing *Signs and Wonders* (a beginner's guide to the Miracles of Jesus.) This series is presented by Professor Amy-Jill Levine. During Lent we will view *24 Hours that Changed the World* with Adam Hamilton. You are invited to drop in to join us any Sunday. We meet from 10:45-11:45 am.

Greetings Everyone,

Happy New Year! I am still so excited to be here for my third year at Sunrise Presbyterian! We have so many great opportunities coming for us this year, and I know we are ready to step up to the challenges that come!



Here's what to expect:

- 1. The music library was organized by the amazing Kathryne Perney. THANK YOU!!
- 2. Handbells were refurbished!!! We also have new gloves and polishing cloths!!
- 3. New people are joining us this year to celebrate Gods love through music! (please be sure to thank them for their willingness to join us!)
- 4. Proposing a Tenebrae be purchased for our Good Friday Service 2024/2025 "Tenebrae" by Heather Sorenson.

This year holds so many fun opportunities that I believe will continue to help nourish our congregation! Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to continue leading you all through the ministry of music! This year is going to be the best one yet! Hope to see you all soon.

We would love to have you join us for Choir and/or Handbells! Both groups are consistently working to provide great music to worship our Savior! I would ask if you have the time to come to handbells Sunday morning at 10:50-11:30am or Choir on Wednesday Night from 6-7pm. Please come and join us enhance our worship service through music! God bless you all this coming month, and I look forward to seeing you all soon!

Matt Schwan, Music Director		

MITTEN TREE

Mitten Tree collected: 51 hats, 136 pairs of socks, 62 mittens, 15 scarves, and 17 sets of hat and gloves and 10 stuffed animals. They were distributed to Ashby House, DVACK, Salina Grace, Salina Rescue Mission, MLK Day Care and CKF. They were gratefully received.

Thank you to the congregation for your generosity!

CHECK OUT MOVIES

People can check out movies from the series on Racism. Contact Carol Viar for more information.

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STEWARDSHIP AND FINANCE

Match Madness will take place on March 21 at the Salina Fieldhouse. It is an opportunity to give to the endowment fund of many local nonprofits and Sunrise Presbyterian Church is one of them.

What is an endowment fund, you ask? Endowment funds are a type of investment fund held by nonprofit organizations such as universities, churches, museums, and other charities. The donations inside the fund usually stay invested forever, and only the earned interest is available to be pulled out and spent each year. In other words, we can't touch the principle, but can withdraw (within the guidelines) the investment gains and interest.

A donation made on March 21 will be added to our endowment fund held at the Greater Salina Community Foundation (GSCF). For every dollar given **that day** to the endowment fund, there is a possible match of up to 50%. As an example, if we received \$2000, the match could be \$1000. The matching amount is determined after the event. We have our choice of having the matching amount sent to us for our operating budget or to be invested in our endowment fund.

As of our last statement, we currently have \$309,490 in the Sunrise endowment fund. Per our agreement with GSCF, we can pull out up to 5% of the net fair market value of the fund, valued as of the first day of each year. In September 2023, we received a check for \$16,712 from the GSCF and the fund.

It may seem like a slow and boring way to invest, but over time it ends up being a good revenue stream for Sunrise.

Please consider giving on March 21 to the Sunrise Presbyterian Church endowment fund. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

A heartfelt thanks,

Dave Parks

FINANCIAL UPDATE

End of December, 2023

Year to Date Income

\$ 248,374

Year to Date Expenses

<u>\$<246,915></u>

Difference

\$ 1,459.00

DON'T FORGET

The Stewardship and Finance meeting on Monday, February 12 at 5:30 pm.



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February 2024

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PANCAKE BREAKFAST



Because of time restraints Sunrise cannot have a REAL pancake breakfast this year, we're having a virtual pancake breakfast. Just make your check out to the church and put in the memo line CASTLE 2024.

Please have checks to the church by March 1.

CASTLE is celebrating its 20th year this year!

FROM THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE In Honor Of Our "In Honor Of" program kind of came to a halt when the pandemic hit. It's time to honor those who have helped you, who are having a birthday, are having an anniversary, a graduation or any other reason you can think of to say thanks or congratulations to them. Fill out the form and send it, along with your check, to Sunrise and we will announce your gift to your honoree in our next newsletter (unless you want to remain anonymous). Who are you thankful for? Show them you care by honoring them. **Dave Parks** Cut along this line ******************** SUNRISE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH A GIFT IN HONOR OF.... In Honor Of _____ In Honor of Date _____ Amount _____ Check this box if you want your gift to be anonymous I would like to honor them because:

Honoree's address:______

Donor: _____

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Meetings & Events

Every Sunday

Bell Practice 10:50 am

Every Tuesday

Lectionary Study 11:00 am

Every Wednesday

Choir Practice 6:00 pm

First Sunday

Communion

First Monday

Worship Committee 6:00 pm

Mission Committee 7:00 pm

First Tuesday

Nurture & Evangelism 10:00 am

First Wednesday

PROFS 8:30 am

First Thursday

Lunch Bunch 11:30 am

2nd Sunday

Grief Support 2:00 pm

2nd Monday

Stewardship & Finance 5:30 pm

3rd Sunday

Blood Pressure Check 10:45 am

Prayer Shawl Ministries 2:00pm

3rd Monday

Book Study 1:00 pm

3rd Wednesday

Current Issues Class 7:00 pm

4th Monday

Session 6:00 pm

4th Thursday (Sept-May)

Morning Circle 9:00 am at Pres. Manor

Afternoon Circle 2:00 pm

Periodically

Building & Grounds

Deacons

Personnel

Worship at Presbyterian Manor

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OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH

The Out To Lunch Bunch will meet on Thursday. at McAlister's Deli, February 1 at 11:30 am. Address is 2661 Market Place. Don't forget to RSVP to Patti Breeding. Please come and enjoy fellowship and good food. Everyone is welcome!

PROFS

PROFS will meet, Wednesday, February 7, at 8:30 am in the MPR.

FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

Articles for the March Newsletter articles are due Thursday, February 15.





Emergency DISASTER FOOD GIVEAWAY & COMMODITIES

Sunrise people fed 49 people in January. Thanks to all who braved the cold weather to help with the distributions. We have a great group of people who help. Thanks again. The date for next distribution of Commodities will be forth coming, but will be held at the 4H building. Time will be 9:00-10:00 am. Sylvia Phillips





CURRENT ISSUES CLASS

Current Issues Class will be held on February 21 at 7:00pm in the parlor. Please plan to attend.

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK

The Nurses will do Blood Pressure Check on the 3rd Sunday of the month.





COFFEE HOUR

four The Coffee Hour for February and March sign up sheets are on the bulletin board.

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MORNING & AFTERNOON CIRCLES

Women's Ministries

Sunrise Women Bible study will be held on February 25. All women are welcome to attend. The Morning Circle will meet at 9:00 am at Presbyterian Manor. The Afternoon Circle will meet at Katie Weis' home at 2:00 pm.

Zyla's Surprises



Zyla McElwain, (age 13) daughter of Brianna Hutton, granddaughter of Ruth Hutton, has been diagnosed with a malignant brain tumor. Zyla and Brianna will be going to Children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City this week to begin 6 weeks of radiation treatments. We would like to send little gifts to Zyla several times a week for the 6 weeks. Books, lotion, things for her hair, small stuffed animals, etc. Please consider contributing something to brighten her day. The mailing will be taken care of. Questions? Contact Carol Viar 785-820-6598

AGENCY OF THE MONTH The Presbyterian Mission Agency



For more than 200 years, U.S. Presbyterians have responded to the call of Jesus Christ by proclaiming and living out our faith, laboring with love and energy to promote God's justice in the world.

Presbyterian Mission is the national ministry arm of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and the largest of the PC(USA)'s six General Assembly agencies. We joyfully partner with congregations, mid councils, worshiping communities, mission networks and many other groups to nurture and support Christ's disciples wherever the Holy Spirit leads and the General Assembly directs us.

Presbyterian Mission's goal is to inspire, equip and connect the church in three main areas: evangelism and discipleship, servant leader formation, and justice and reconciliation. We do this work through four ministry areas:

- Compassion, Peace & Justice
- Racial Equity & Women's Intercultural Ministries
- Theology, Formation & Evangelism
- World Mission

In fulfilling these goals, we regularly engage congregations, mid councils and other entities. We also offer additional assistance through several departments, including:

- Research Services, which offers research, statistics and custom surveys and program evaluations;
- **Mission Engagement & Support**, a comprehensive source for stewardship and discipleship resources and training;
- **Communications**, which runs the Presbyterian News Service and offers onsite workshops on storytelling, social media, web and digital communications, and a variety of other services that support our mission and ministry.

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SALINA SOUPER BOWL

Hello Everyone. Happy New Year!

A new year means another Super Bowl is coming, Super Bowl 58. The Salina wide goal for 2024 is 58,000 cans.

Sunrise will again be manning the east doors of the Cloud St. Dillons. Super Bowl 58 is February 11, 2024.

So, Sunrise will be collecting soup on these days.

All shifts are 2 hour shifts

Saturday January 27, 10 am to 6 pm.

Sunday January 28, 1 pm to 5 pm.

Saturday February 3, 10 am to 6pm.

Sunday February 4, 1 pm to 5 pm.

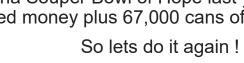
Saturday February 10, 10 am to 6 pm.

No collections on Super Bowl Sunday.

I will be asking for your help to collect soup after January.

We had a great Salina Souper Bowl of Hope last year. The Goal was 57,000 cans. Salina collected money plus 67,000 cans of soup.

Paul McAfee





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Hello Everyone,

Mark your calendars!

The Sunrise Chili and Soup Supper will be the evening of Saturday March 9. Tickets will be out after January 28. Ticket prices will be \$7 for adult and \$5 for children 12 and under. Sign-up sheet for helping is on the bulletin board. Watch for more information!

Paul McAfee

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In Service of the Church - January

February Lay Leaders

February 4 Nancy Klostermeyer
February 11 Ann Zimmerman
February 18 Mark Zimmerman
February 25 Betty Kerr





February Greeters

February 4

East Door Mary McCall South Door Jean Reed

February 11

East Door Judy Wooten South Door Merilyn Griffith

February 18

East Door The Bolen Family South Door The Orr Family

February 28

East Door Jim & Nancy Modine

South Door Jean Reed



February Ushers

February 4 Mindy Johnson

Cameron Johnson

February 11 Rosie & Jerry McKee

February 18 Judy Wooten

Mary McCall

February 25 Betty Rassette Patty Breeding

Presbyterian Manor Bus

February 7 Ed Viar

February 14 Pat Breeding

February 21 Dean Atteberry

February 28 Larry Buyse

Attendance Register For December

(Totals include YouTube view's)

Date	In Person	Youtube
3	66	27
10	76	28
17	112	29
24	70	59
24	33	29
31	64	Not Working

Acolytes

February 4 Lydia Schwan

February 11 Kolton & Kortney Flores

February 14 Lydia Schwan (Ash Wednesday)

February 18 Lydia Schwan

February 25 Kolton & Kortney Flores

Attendance Register For January

(Totals include YouTube view's)

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Date	In Person	Youtube
7	66	56
14	41	83
21	73	27
28		

February Birthdays & Anniversaries

February

- 5 Marilyn Benyshek Gabe Decker Paedyn Merrill
- 7 Greg Kerr James Viar
- 9 Ashlynd Merrill Gladys Reid
- 10 Brianna Hutton Dean & Janet Atteberry Anniv
- 11 Sherril Kerr
- 12 Becky Schwan
- 14 Deena Horst Terry Steininger

- 16 Melisa McElwee
- 17 Jeanne Sebree
- 19 Mary McCall Linda Waggoner
- 20 Steve Sebree Karmel Spencer
- 21 Khali Allmond
- 24 Edie Hurtig
- 25 Miranda Merrill



Thank You for your most generous support. We can't do it without you and we truly appreciate your faithful generosity.

Many Blessings,
Darrell Burgoon, Ashby House

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Pastor Deb, Karmel and Edie want to thank Sunrise Congregation for the Staff Appreciation. It will be put to good use. We would also like to thank those who gave us private gifts. They all were much appreciated.

Sunrise Church & Personnel Committee, Thank you for the special Christmas gift. I enjoy being your Treasurer and appreciate working with all the wonderful people at Sunrise. May Sunrise be blessed having a prosperous New Year in 2024. Thanks again, Jo Ann Gile

Dear Friends,
Thank you for your gift to the Mission,
which is such a blessing to our homeless neighbors this holiday season.
What a beautiful way to share hope
and God's love with those in need.
Wishing you a very Merry Christmas,
Rick Coleman.

The Salina Rescue Mission

A big thank you to all who participated in the Heusner Family Christmas. Mission Committee

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Sunday Mornings

9:30 am in person and Virtual Worship 10:30 am Fellowship 10:45 am Sunday School



Sunrise Presbyterian Church 825 E Beloit, Salina, (785) 823-6344 General Office Hours:

> 8:00 am-12:00 pm, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday Wednesday 8 am-12 pm, & 1 pm-5 pm

Financial Office Hours:

10:00 am-12:00 pm, Monday & Thursday

Pastor: Rev. Deb Schmidt

Director of Music: Matthew Schwan Director of Bell Choir: Matthew Schwan

Organist: Sue Will

Church Treasurer: JoAnn Gile

Financial Secretary: Karmel Spencer Office Administrator: Edie Hurtig

Custodian: Greg Kerr