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SUNRISE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

# SUNRISE NEWS AND VIEWS



On a cold winter morning, Holy Spirit,  
enfold me in the warmth of your love.

# January



## FAREWELL TO 2023 AND WELCOME TO 2024!

2023 went by so fast, and with it a lot of ministry happening both inside and outside these doors!!

There are so many wonderful things that each of you is doing to make Sunrise Presbyterian Church a memorable place and you are putting Sunrise on the map when it counts! You have such giving hearts, and you rise to the occasion when there is work to be done. I greatly admire the committees and the many volunteers who step up to make ministry at Sunrise a valuable and relevant part of this community.

You included me in caring for people who became ill, and we walked with those whose family members were unable to get better. It is a sad and humbling place to minister from, knowing that each of us has a finite number of days in our lives, and yet we want to make the very best of the days we are given.

Having said that, we also know that life is precious, and our awareness must be heightened to include those things that we might not have on our "immediate" or "essential" list. What are the things that are meaningful to you? Spending time with family and friends, staying active in the ministries of the church, being available for working for peace and justice in the community, and making a difference in the world?

Then, consider what distracts you from the things that you know are very important to you. What draws you away from acting on your intuition and following your better impulses? There can be many reasons why we default to doing the easier things, the more acceptable things, the things that may give us a bit of glory in the moment. But what about the things that are important and necessary for another person's mental, physical, or spiritual health? How might we be a blessing to another person, even if we are never recognized for doing so?

Here are some ideas for your "immediate" or "essential" list:

- Spend more time in the study of God's Word to us and soak up the message of Jesus.
- Make prayer a regular part of your day and speak with Jesus like he is the Friend you need.
- Take more risks and be more outrageous in sharing the Gospel of Jesus with others.
- Make time to visit people you encounter around town and listen to how they are feeling.
- Ask Christ to show you what is meaningful to Christ and to point you in the right direction.

As you look ahead to 2024, please know that there are many wonderful ways that you may be engaged in the life of this congregation and in the community of Salina, Kansas. Find a place where you can be fed and challenged. Find ministries that are hopeful and helpful to our brothers and sisters in Christ here. Be the hands and feet of Jesus, following his calling, and sharing his Grace and Love.

Joyfully serving Christ with you!

Pastor Deb Schmidt

### 2024 Ministry Events

January 30, Reports due to the office for the Annual Meeting report.

February 6, Presbytery meets via Zoom

February 11, Sunrise has its Annual Meeting.

February 14 is the Ash Wednesday service at 6:00 pm

February 18 begins the Season of Lent.

# Adult Sunday School Class



## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Former Sunrise member Sam Coberly, will be giving a presentation for the Adult Sunday School Class on January 7 at 10:45 am in the parlor. Samantha will be discussing her job with DPAA (Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency). Her job, as a forensic anthropologist, is to identify military personnel who are unaccounted for from past US conflicts. Sam lives in Honolulu, Hawaii.

## SUNRISE NURSES

Pastor Deb and the Sunrise Nurses have many talents, HOWEVER mind reading is not one of them! If you are sick, in the hospital, having surgery, or experiencing a crisis or change please let someone know. If you or a family member needs on the prayer list, or need to have a visit or phone call from someone, let the church office, Pastor Deb or one of the nurses know. We may not “register” this information from a casual conversation, so don’t hesitate to remind us. We strive to get prayer shawls or pillows to those in need.

Sunrise Nurses



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**CASA**

Court Appointed Special Advocates  
FOR CHILDREN

OTTAWA & SALINE COUNTY

## SALINA AGENCY OF THE MONTH CASA

(Court appointed special Advocates)

Too many children in the child welfare system lose their families, their rights and their hope. Join our fight. Become a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA).

Every year children in Ottawa and Saline Counties are thrust into the court system through no fault of their own. Some are victims of physical violence, emotional torment or sexual abuse.

Others have been neglected or even abandoned by their own parents. Most of them are frightened and confused. Many have never known what it is to live in a safe place. The Ottawa and Saline County CASA program recruits, trains, and supports community volunteers to speak up for children who have been abused or neglected.

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 to become a CASA. Our next training starts in January 2024.

# STEWARDSHIP AND FINANCE

Let me start out by saying THANK YOU for all you do to support the work of Sunrise Presbyterian Church. 2023 was a busy, but productive year around here.

Once again, we hosted CASTLE, Heartland Traveling Day Camp, the Red Cross blood mobile, an ice cream social, the chili social, the CASTLE pumpkin sale, AA meetings and for the first time the Salina Chorale just to name a few of the many activities going on at Sunrise. We gave away about 300 winter coats to those in need. We continue to financially support several nonprofit organizations, along with many of you volunteering your time to work on their behalf.

All of this is only possible because of your support. It appears at the time of writing this article, that we will be pretty close to breakeven financially in 2023.

Upcoming items to keep in mind:

Per Capita for 2024 is \$37.00. Please put "Per Capita"; in the memo line of your check.  
Match Madness is March 21, 2024. You will hear more on this event as it gets closer.

Did you know that you can donate stock to Sunrise? If you purchased Apple stock for \$19 and it is now worth \$190 (you can donate it regardless of what it's worth) you can donate it to Sunrise, not pay the capital gains tax, and write off the \$190 per share donation on your taxes. The Greater Salina Community Foundation will help Sunrise turn that stock into cash for Sunrise. If you have questions, please ask.

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Again, a heartfelt thanks,  
Dave Parks

### 2023 YEAR END GIVING

All gifts & pledges must be at the church by December 31st to be acknowledged on your 2023 contribution report.

### FINANCIAL UPDATE

End of November, 2023	
Year to Date Income	\$ 220,314
Year to Date Expenses	\$ <226,361>
Difference	\$ ( 6,047)

### DON'T FORGET

The Stewardship and Finance meeting on Monday, January 8 at 5:30 pm.



# January 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 New Years Day Office Closed	2 No Lectionary 6:00 Worship Committee 7:00 Mission 8:00 AA	3 8:30 am PROFS 6:00 Choir	4 11:30 Out to Lunch Bunch	5 6:00 Al-Anon 8:00 AA	6
7 9:30 Worship Communion 10:30 Fellowship 10:45 Sun. School 10:50 Bell Practice	8 5:30 Stewardship Finance	9 10:00 Nurture & Evangelism 11:00 Lectionary 8:00 AA	10 6:00 Choir	11	12 6:00 Al-Anon 8:00 AA	13
14 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship 10:45 Sun. School 10:50 Bell Practice 2:00 Grief Support	15 1:00 3rd Monday Book Study	16 11:00 Lectionary 8:00 AA	17 9:00 Commodities at 4H building 6:00 Choir 7:00 Current Issues	18	19 6:00 Al-Anon 8:00 AA	20
21 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship 10:45 Sun. School 10:50 Bell Practice 2:00 Prayer Shawl	22 6:00 Session	23 11:00 Lectionary 8:00 AA	24 6:00 Choir	25 9:00 Circle at Presbyterian Manor 2:00 Circle at Katie's home	26 6:00 Al-Anon 8:00 AA	27
28 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship 10:45 Sun. School 10:50 Bell Practice	29	30 Annual Reports Due to the office 11:00 Lectionary 8:00 AA	31 6:00 Choir			

### STAFF APPRECIATION:

The end of the year is approaching and we as a congregation need to show our staff how much we appreciate them and the jobs that they do for us. We ask that you consider donating to the Staff Appreciation Fund. Please give your donations to Patti Breeding and she will collect all donations and then the Personnel Committee will divide it between our eight employees. We want our staff to know that we appreciate them.

Personnel Committee



### 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

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### SUNRISE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH A GIFT 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: \_\_\_\_\_

## 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

Afternoon Circle 2:00 pm

### Periodically

Building & Grounds

Deacons

Personnel

Worship at Presbyterian Manor

# Sunrise News

## PROFS

PROFS will meet, Wednesday, January 3, at 8:30 am in the MPR.



## OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH

The Out To Lunch Bunch will meet on Thursday, at Red Lobster, January 4 at 11:30 am. Don't forget to RSVP to Patti Breeding. Please come and enjoy fellowship and good food. Everyone is welcome!



## FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

Articles for the February Newsletter articles are due Tuesday, January 16.



## DISASTER FOOD GIVEAWAY & COMMODITIES

Sunrise people fed 157 people in in November. Thanks to all that helped: Sunrise, Southeast of Saline students, and others who like to help wherever needed. Thanks again. The next distribution of Commodities will be held on January 17 at the 4H building. Time will be 9:00-10:00 am. Sylvia Phillips



## CURRENT ISSUES CLASS

Current Issues Class will meet January 17 at 7:00pm in the parlor. Please plan to come.



## BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK

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



## COFFEE HOUR



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



## MORNING & AFTERNOON CIRCLES

Sunrise Women Bible study January 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. Both circles are using the Bible Study "Sacred Encounters" published by Presbyterian Church (USA).



### MITTEN TREE

The Mitten Tree is up and ready to go. Mittens, hats, scarves, and socks are needed for the people at Ashby House, DVACK, Martin Luther King Childcare, Salina Grace and the Rescue Mission.

## SHARE BOOKS WITH EACH OTHER

There are 2 ways to donate books to Sunrise.

1. The cart in the east entry is a place for us to share books with each other. If you've read a book that might be one someone else in the congregation would enjoy, you may place it there. If you want to take one from the book cart to enjoy, take it! Bring it back or hand it on to someone else.
2. You may donate books to a "stash" we have in a store room. Those books are used to fill the little free library on the sidewalk east of the church. Jean Buyse keeps it stocked. Those are free for neighbors to take and read. They also can be kept or returned.

So, if you need to get some books out of your house, Sunrise is the place to bring them!

Questions? Carol Viar



## MISSIONS OF SUNRISE

Do you ever wonder what to do with or how to recycle those PLASTIC GROCERY BAGS?? Well, that is one of the many missions of Sunrise. Just visit the area right outside of the church office.

- \* There are several bins for the food bank for plastic grocery bags and small plastic/glass containers
- \* A bin for Toiletries for Central Kansas Mental Health Center.
- \* Hunger Barrel for non perishable foods for the foodbank

It's a WIN WIN situation! It helps you out but it especially helps the Emergency Aid Food Bank (EAFB) of Salina!!



## 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.

So lets do it again !

Paul McAfee



## CHILI AND SOUP SUPPER



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 1.

Ticket prices will be \$7 for adult and \$5 for children 12 and under.

**Watch for more information!**

Paul McAfee

# In Service of the Church - January

## January Lay Leaders

January 7 Jane Alsop  
 January 14 Paul McAfee  
 January 21 Tacey Barrett  
 January 28 Betty Kerr



## January Greeters

January 7  
 East Door Mary Lee Arnold  
 South Door Bruce & Marilyn Benyshek

January 14  
 East Door Judy Wooten  
 South Door Sharon Hauser

January 21  
 East Door Marilyn Griffith  
 South Door Jeanne Ihnken

January 28  
 East Door Jean Adam  
 South Door Jane Alsop



## January Ushers

January 7 Karen Sutton  
 LeAnn Blancho

January 14 Maurice & Betty Kerr

January 21 Judy Wooten  
 Sharon Anderson

January 28 Jean Reed  
 Mary McCall

## Acolytes

January 7 Kolton & Kortney Flores

January 14 Lydia Schwan

January 21 Kolton & Kortney Flores

January 28 Lydia Schwan

## Presbyterian Manor Bus

January 7 Ed Viar  
 January 14 Pat Breeding  
 January 21 Dean Atteberry  
 January 28 Larry Buyse

## Attendance Register For December

(Totals include YouTube view's)

Date	In Person	Youtube
3	66	27
10	76	28
17		
24		
24		

# January Birthdays & Anniversaries

## January

4 Rev. Deb Schmidt

6 Bill Alsop  
Ben Sebree

11 Jeff Merrill

13 Steven Ewing

15 Nancy Thompson  
Ann Zimmerman  
Mark Giles

17 Larry Justus  
Nancy Klostermeyer

19 Sylvia Phillips

20 Betty Rasette  
Carol Viar

22 Gordon & Deena Horst Anniv

23 Mary Houck

25 Tom Phillips

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Sunrise Presbyterian Church,  
Thank you for your compassion and  
your commitment to helping our  
community. We appreciate your  
faithful support.  
With Gratitude,  
Darrell Burgoon, Ashby House

Thank You to Matt Schwan, the Handbell  
Ringers, and the Sunrise Choir for blessing  
us with your amazing talent! You gave us  
great joy in the Season of Advent and  
Christmas.

Sunrise Folks!  
Thank you so much for your generosity  
in supplying treats for our Sunrise  
college students! We packed nine  
boxes to the brim and Jack will mail  
them. (We even had a little left over we  
gave to the group to use at Salina  
Grace on Friday.)  
With Appreciation,  
Jack Gillam & Jane Alsop

The Mission Committee would like to  
thank the congregation for helping with  
the Christmas projects this year.  
The congregation has helped with the  
Mitten Tree, Heusner Family Gifts,  
Ashby House Events, etc. Sunrise is a  
very giving congregation.  
Thank you again.

I would like to thank everyone for the prayers  
and for those who covered in the office while I  
was dealing with my eye infection. Sunrise is  
very special to me and it meant a lot when  
people stepped up to cover the office.  
Thank you again! Edie Hurtig

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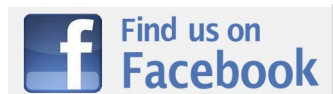
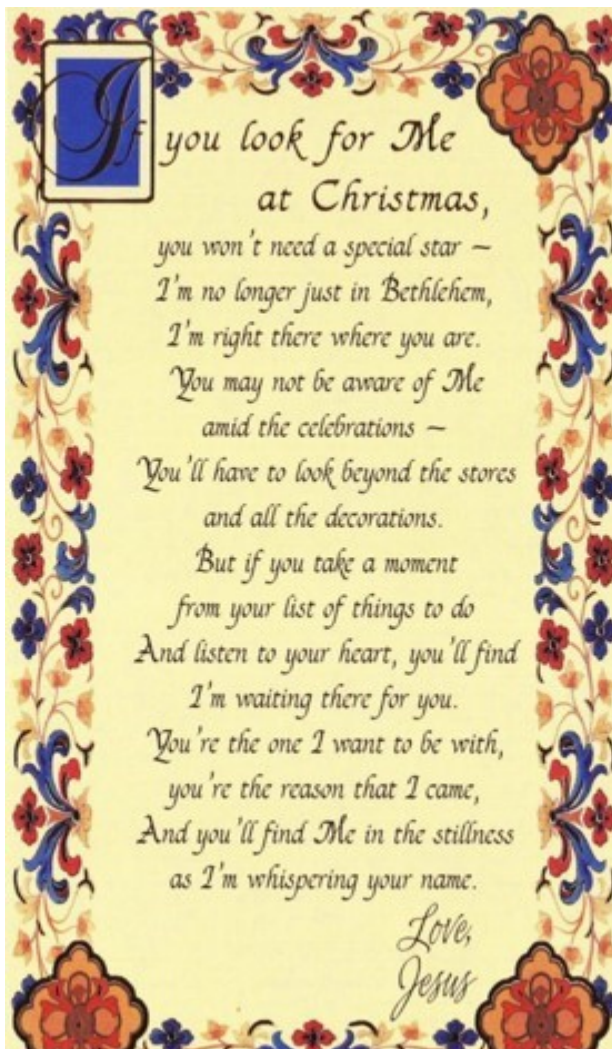
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## Sunday Mornings

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



Sunrise Presbyterian Church  
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### 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