



October 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 – **This month, Tues. Oct. 6 and Tues. Oct 13**

Sundays:

Presbyterian Manor Worship, first Sunday of even months.
Grief Support Group – second Sunday, 2:00 pm
Prayer Shawl Ministry – third Sunday, 2:00 pm
Current Issues – fourth 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, **This month, October 8, 10 am**
Building & Grounds committee – second Tuesday, 5:30 pm,

As Scheduled:

Deacons, Thurs., Oct. 1, 6:30 pm; Personnel committee, Memorial committee,
Christian Education, Sunday, Oct. 11, after worship, across from Parlor.

Meetings & Events

COMMODITIES The next commodities distribution will be held on **Thursday, October 1, 9:30-11:00 am** at Kenwood Hall. We appreciate all who help with this important ministry. -- Sylvia Phillips

OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH will meet on Thursday, **October 1**, at 11:30 am for lunch at Applebee's Grill & Bar, 2875 S. Ninth St. Let Kathyne Perney know if you plan to attend. Please join us for "Fun with friends and food."

DEACONS, Thursday, October 1, 6:30 pm

PROFS meet on the first Wednesday, **Oct. 7**, at 8:30 am in the MPR.

CHRISTIAN ED COMMITTEE, October 11 after worship, across from Parlor.

MISSION COAT DRIVE continues through October 11. See p. 4.

THIRD SUNDAY DINNER, October 18, 11:30 am, Los Tres Oros, see page 4.

SUNRISE NURSES will do **Blood Pressure Checks** on Sunday, October 18, following worship.

NEWSLETTER articles for the November newsletter are due by Thursday, October 22. Thank you!!

SALVATION ARMY MEALS Please sign up to serve meals at Salvation Army during the month of October. Need teams of two each day, Tuesday through Friday, 4:00 – 5:30 p.m., at 1137 N. Santa Fe. Sign up sheet on bulletin board near MPR. Please contact Blaine Orr with questions.

From the Pastor



How is it October already? It doesn't seem possible, but the cooler weather is sure a relief from the summer's heat, and is a good sign that **Fall is actually** here! Our Multi-Purpose room is bursting with the colors of Fall with orange, green, and multi-colored pumpkins and decorations, giving the room a Fall flair.



Around here, lately it's busier than usual with all the "renovations" happening at the church. Here's an update. We are BLESSED in the kitchen to have the ceiling sheetrock installed, taped and textured as of the last week of September, and new ceiling light fixtures are in the process of being installed in the kitchen. We have received bids on kitchen flooring as well as carpet elsewhere, but we will postpone the installation of those until the ceiling tiles and insulation have been installed. Stay tuned. Coming soon!



In September we welcomed new members Nancy and Jim Modin, Jennifer and Doug Byarlay, and Marilyn Shogren to Sunrise. It was such a joy to work with them in preparation for the joyous day. We enjoyed a very special evening sharing about our faith when they met with the Session in August. I am always humbled and amazed to see the Spirit of God moving and working among us and I feel so grateful that these five wonderful people have chosen to worship together and share their God-given gifts at Sunrise. Welcome!

In September I also had the honor of officiating at the outdoor rehearsal and wedding of Katelynn Adams and Taner Shipman. It was warm! Their beautiful daughter, grandparents, close family and friends celebrated the special day with them. Please join me congratulating them on their marriage and in praying for every good blessing for Taner, Katelynn & Delilah.



At the August online Presbytery meeting it was announced that I was the winner of the Presbytery's Pastor Appreciation Weekend award. Wow! This award comes with a stipend and an extra weekend away in addition to regular vacation and study leave days. I hope I'll be able to do something creative, restful, and nurturing. Thank you all, the Session and the Presbytery for this honor and for making it possible for me to have this time away.



I want to say a BIG **THANK YOU** to each and every one of you for many reasons. First of all, it's impossible to list every task or responsibility or duty so many of you have taken on as our building has gone from a very messy, wet, wounded environment and has slowly begun to dry out, to be mended and to be restored. It is taking a number of hours of labor, organization, and sweat equity -- that we may never be able to fully tally up -- to restore Sunrise as it should be. YOU are the reason that Sunrise is being restored. Your prayers, your kindnesses to each other, your optimism and gratitude, your determination, your creativity, and your thoughtful patience have all culminated in small baby steps of progress toward restoration. Many of you, in big and small ways, have shown great leadership, insight, and wisdom. Together we are guided by God on this journey. Thank you so much.

"Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him..." Amen!

1 Corinthians 1:3-5a

Joyfully serving Christ with you!
Pastor Deb

ICE CREAM SOCIAL NEWS

Hello Sunrise >>

We started the summer with ICE – the famous HAIL STORM!
 Why not end the summer with ICE – an ICE SOCIAL – LOL!!
 We waited for the church building to recover a little bit !!!

The 67th Annual Ice Cream Social will be Saturday, November 7,
 2026, 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm. (NOTICE THE EARLIER TIME!)
 Ticket packets and information will be out by October 1. We believe
 people eat ice cream no matter the weather. :0)

ONE MORE IMPORANT NOTE: All proceeds from the Ice Cream
 Social will go to ROBE (Repairing Our Building Enthusiastically).

Thank you!!
 SUNRISE MARINERS



NEWS FROM THE PEWS (literally)

We have the happy surprise of celebrating the 40th Anniversary of the installation of the Stained Glass Windows in the Sanctuary at Sunrise.

As stated in the brochure that you will find installed permanently in each pew in the sanctuary, "The eleven stained glass windows in the sanctuary were commissioned by the Special Gifts and Endowment Fund committee in 1986. Wiley Jones, a local stained glass craftsman, designed and fabricated these beautiful windows. All of the windows are the same design with different symbols in the circle in the upper part of the window."

The original booklet / brochure has been reprinted by the Building & Grounds Committee with the financial commitment of the Worship Committee. The brochures that will remain in the pews are identified by a label stating "This brochure is to remain in the pew so that others may enjoy it. Brochures are available for purchase in the church office." Currently, these brochures are available in the church office for a \$5 donation.

Please also notice that there will be a reference to the Stained Glass windows in each Sunday's bulletin (see below). Please enjoy learning about and enjoying these beautiful and historic windows.



Stained Glass Windows Brochure

You may have noticed that there is a brochure in the pew where you sit that tells about the Stained Glass Windows. The windows were installed at Sunrise forty years ago, in 1986. The brochure will remain in the pew for others to learn about the windows. If you would enjoy having a copy of the brochure to keep, you may request one in the church office for a \$5 donation.

October 2026

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
Sunday, October 4, 2026 is World Communion Sunday. The World Communion Sunday Offering will be received during worship and we will celebrate the Lord's Supper with other Christians all around the world.				1 Commodities 9:30-11:00 Kenwood Hall 11:30 am Out to Lunch Bunch @ Applebee's 6:30 pm Deacons	2	3
4 9:00 Youth SS 9:30 Worship w/ Communion 10:30 Fellowship 10:45 Adult SS 10:45 Bell Choir 2:00 Presby Manor	5 6:00 pm Worship 6:30 pm Chorale	6 11:00 Lectionary 6:00 pm Choir 8 pm AA	7 8:30 am PROFS	8 10:00 am Nurture & Evangelism	9	10
11 9:00 Youth SS 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship CE Committee mtg. 10:45 Adult SS 10:45 Bell Choir 2:00 Grief Support	12 10:30 Women's Retreat mtg at Perkins 5:30 pm S&F 6:30 pm Mission 6:30 pm Chorale	13 11:00 Lectionary 5:30 Building & Grounds 6:00 pm Choir 8 pm AA	14 6:00 pm Project Salina Board	15	16	17
18 9:00 Youth SS 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship Blood Pressure Ck 10:45 Adult SS 10:45 Bell Choir 11:30 3rd Sunday Dinner - Los Tres Oros 2:00 Prayer Shawl	19 1:00 pm Book Study 6:30 pm Chorale	20 11:00 Lectionary 8 pm AA	21 6:00 pm Choir	22 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE <u>PW Circles:</u> 9:30a @ Manor 2:00p @ Katie Weis' 6:45p @ Parlor	23	24
25 9:00 Youth SS 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship 10:45 Adult SS 10:45 Bell Choir 2:00 Current Issues	26 6:00 pm Session 6:30 pm Chorale	27 11:00 Lectionary Bloodmobile 12-6 8 pm AA	28 Bloodmobile 12-6 6:00 pm Choir	29 Bloodmobile 8-2	30	31

THIRD SUNDAY DINNER



The Third Sunday Dinner group will dine on Sunday, October 18, at 11:30 a.m. at Los Tres Oros restaurant, 200 East Diamond Drive. Sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board next to the

MPR. Any questions, please contact Sharon Herrington or Jennifer Byarlay. Sponsored by the Nurture & Evangelism Committee.

MISSION COMMITTEE COAT DRIVE

You are invited to donate new or gently used coats of all sizes for the Mission Committee Annual Coat Drive. Coats will be collected until October 11 and distributed the following week locally. We encourage you to fill the coat tub in the East entry of the church. Thank you for making this winter a little warmer for many in our community.



In Service of the Church – OCTOBER

Worship Assistants Schedule

Date	Lay Leaders	Ushers	Greeters
October 4	Ann Zimmerman	Larry & Jean Buyse	East: Doug & Jennifer Byarlay South: Ron Lovell
October 11	Mark Zimmerman	Nancy Modin Sharon Anderson	East: Tom & Sylvia Phillips South: Marilyn Griffith
October 18	Melisa McElwee	Dave & Julie Parks	East: LeRay Wilkie South: Nancy & Jim Modin
October 25	Nancy Klostermeyer	Mindy Johnson Jim Modin	East: Jeanne Ihnken South: Sharon Herrington & Vicki Moss

Manor Drivers	
Date	Drivers
October 4	Pat Breeding
October 11	Ed Viar
October 18	Larry Buyse
October 25	Pat Breeding

Acolytes	
Date	
October 4	Lydia & Laiklyn
October 11	Kolton & Kortney
October 18	Lydia & Laiklyn
October 25	Kolton & Kortney



Birthdays

1 Allen Johnson	17 Deb Fulford
3 Don Schroeder	17 Lillian Sanders
4 Jean Burch	18 Janet Atteberry
5 Vicky Tuey	18 Tacey Barrett
9 Lewis Reid	20 Norma Anderson
13 Nathan Zimmerman	21 Vicki Moss
13 Stephanie Cool	24 Suzie Walker
15 Brady McAfee	28 Judy Wooten
16 Kolton Flores McAfee	29 LaDonna Cox
16 Sue Will	31 Julie Parks

Anniversaries

6 Edie & Tom Hurtig
7 Tessa & Dan Bolen
14 Jim & JoAnn Gile
24 Kenny & Melanie Hancock
30 Nancy & Jim Modin

Children's Message during Worship

Date	
October 11	Conni Steininger
October 25	Mindy Johnson



We appreciate each person who prepares and gives a Children's Message during worship. It is so meaningful and appreciated. If you would like to give a Children's Message, please choose a date on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board next to the MPR. If you need assistance, Marci McCullough has great resources to help you.

Attendance Register for September 2026

	In person	YouTube	Total
September 6	58	38	96
September 13	66	29	95
September 20	56	16	72
September 27	59	16	75

Notes and News



Evening Circle

There is now an evening PW Women's Circle that is meeting on the 4th Thursday of each month, September through May, at 6:45 p.m. in the church Parlor. Please gather to study with us!

Books are available in the church office for the study ***"United Through Christ, Bound to Each Other: Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians."*** Cost is only \$5 for the book, due to a generous gift.

For questions, please call or text Marci McCullough at 785-819-5962.



EMERGENCY CONTACT FORMS

From time to time, it has been necessary to reach a family member for one of us in the event of a health emergency during or following worship. Allowing the church to have contact info for your loved ones can give you and us some peace of mind, should an emergency occur.

We have an "Emergency Contact" notebook in the church office which contains this information for anyone who has consented to share that information with us. The notebook is kept confidential and used only in the case of an emergency.

Should you wish to update your form or to fill out a new Emergency Contact form, you will find a copy of the form on the table outside the church office. Simply fill it out and return it to the office or to Pastor Deb.

Dear Friends,

Thank you so very much for the lovely celebration of our dad's life. Thanks too, for the luncheon and all the extras you did to make the day special. You truly are a church that loves and serves.



Most sincerely,
The Family of Ken Miller



Out to Lunch Bunch will meet on October 1, at Applebee's Grill and Bar, 2875 S. Ninth. Let Kathy Perney know if you plan to attend. Please join us for "Fun with friends and food."



A reminder to ushers: Please pick up the bulletins from each entrance to the sanctuary. Separate the unused attendance cards and place in the office. Place bulletins in recycle bin and place green checkered basket in office. Thank you!!!

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

Welcome to Fall. Cooling temperatures, sweatshirts, and beautifully colored trees....and our Stewardship campaign are right around the corner.

We will be putting the 2027 budget together before the end of 2026. You will be receiving a Stewardship letter and a pledge card in October. We hope to have your pledge cards returned during October and November. Sunday, November 22 has been designated as Pledge Sunday. That day will also be our Thanksgiving meal together. Yes, we are very thankful.



The response to the ROBE campaign (Restore Our Building Enthusiastically) has been overwhelming and humbling. We are grateful for your support in this time of need. While it may seem at times that things are moving rather slowly, we are making progress.

It is important to know that NO money given to the ROBE campaign goes towards the operating budget. It is designated to go towards building needs. All ROBE money flows through the Building Reserve Fund. Again, none of the ROBE money impacts the operating budget.

The operating budget pays the staff wages and the bills. It is where our many committees get their funding. Such things as postage, utilities, insurance, community and agency support, Worship supplies, Christian Education needs, and kitchen supplies are among the many things paid for by the operating budget.

Thank you for being part of the Sunrise family.

With Gratitude,

Dave Parks
Stewardship and Finance Chair



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## Prayer Shawl Ministry

**PURPOSE:** The Prayer Shawl Ministry is Sunrise's ministry of care for members of our church family and the greater community who are in need of extra prayer, comfort, and support. Each shawl, blanket or handmade item is created as a tangible reminder that God's love and the prayers of this community are wrapped around them.

**HOW TO PARTICIPATE:** Ministry members contribute in many ways, including crocheting shawls, crafting tie blankets, sewing in tags, offering fellowship and encouragement, and helping distribute blankets, shawls and other handmade items. Whether you already crochet, sew, tie blankets, or would like to learn, this group welcomes all skill levels.

**MEETING DETAILS:** The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets on the third Sunday of the month at 2:00 p.m. The next gathering will be October 18. All are welcome to join this meaningful calling, and we hope to see you there. Contact Marci McCullough with any questions or needs, 785-819-5962.



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YET I WILL REJOICE IN THE LORD,  
*I will be joyful*  
IN GOD MY SAVIOR.

HABAKKUK 3:18, NIV



## 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