



- **Our members and friends who are living in a nursing home, assisted living, or are partially or fully "home-bound"**
- **All those battling cancer**

We encourage you to pray for these friends – send them a note, call, or visit them. Addresses and phone numbers can be obtained from the church office. Send your prayer requests, concerns, and updates to office@fpcjc.com

Notice of Filming: Worship services are filmed and recorded to be included on our Church website, Facebook, YouTube, etc. While most footage will feature worship leaders, video of the congregation may also appear. Children may be seen during children's sermons. If you have concerns, please get in touch with the church office.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We strive to be a loving family of faith, nurturing the spiritual growth of one another as we serve, worship, and reach out in celebration of Christ's Love.

November 16, 2025

Prelude

Sing to the Lord of Harvest...by Dennis Eliot

Gather In God's Name

Welcome and Announcements

Choral Introit

Enter into His Gates...by Joe Markley

Call to Worship

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord, for God has done gloriously;
Let us sing God's praises throughout all the earth.

**People: Shout aloud and sing for joy,
From the highest peaks, to the deepest caverns.**

Leader: Shout aloud and sing for joy,
From the tiniest creatures, to the greatest herds.

**People: Shout aloud and sing for joy,
In the midst of our joys and our sorrows.**

Leader: Shout aloud and sing for joy, as we come to worship the
God of all creation!

***Hymn of Praise #1**

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

***The Peace**

(Please greet one another and exchange signs of peace and reconciliation)

Invitation To, and Prayer of Confession

Leader: Just as the prophet Isaiah assured God's people so many years ago He assures us now that God is our salvation.

**People: It is because of that confidence, because of that promise,
That we dare approach God with our confession.**

Leader: God of peace we confess we are a people of fear.
We have let anxiety rule our days and worry our nights.

**People: We have been distracted by nerves and focused on tension.
We confess we have ignored your command to not be afraid.**

Leader: Forgive us, Oh God,
Renew in us the ability to find comfort in you. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

**People: In the grace and love of God, we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God!**

***Response to Forgiveness** *Gloria Patri Hymn #581*

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

Proclaim God's Word

Prayer

First Lesson

1 John 3:1-10

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Choral Anthem

Soon I Will Be Done...arr. Dawson

Children's Moment

The Message Text and Message

Isaiah 65:17-25

Respond To God's Word

Prayer Requests, Joys, and Concerns

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Offering

Offering plates will be passed to those seated in the pews. Gifts or pledges may also be sent to First Presbyterian Church by mail or through the "Give Now" link on our website: <https://www.fpcjc.com>.

Offertory

Come, You Thankful People, Come...arr. Mark Bloedow
Glory Ringers
Flute Solo, Virleen Carlson

***Doxology and Prayer** (Offertory Response, Hymn #606)

Go In God's Name

***Hymn of Commitment #634**

To God Be the Glory

***Charge and Benediction**

***Benediction Response #616**

Our God Is an Awesome God

Postlude

We, Your People, Praise You...arr. Dan R. Edwards

***People stand as they are able**

If you have information you would like included in the bulletin, please contact the church office by **noon on Wednesday**.

 Call: 785-238-1191

 Email: office@fpcjc.com

If you have any announcements, updates, or events you'd like included in the **December church newsletter**, please send the information to the **church office** by **November 20, 2025**.

 **Email:** office@fpcjc.com

Thank you for helping us keep everyone informed!

Church Services Online:

You can stream our church services at: <https://www.fpcjc.com>

 Links to our **Facebook** and **YouTube** pages are available on the site.

 The **worship bulletin** can also be found there.

Weather-Related Worship Service Cancellations:

When inclement weather is in the forecast, there are **three ways** you can find out if a worship service has been canceled:

1. **WIBW** – Check the **WIBW website** or watch **WIBW TV** for cancellation notices.
2. **Facebook** – Visit our **First Presbyterian Church - Junction City** page for updates.
3. **Email** – If we have your email address on file, we'll send a cancellation notice directly to your inbox.

Thanks to all who assisted in this morning's worship service:

Pastor: Nathanael Hood

Worship Leader: Rick Munson

Chancel Choir Director: Joe Markley

Music Coordinator & Handbell Director: Sheila Markley

Organist: Rhoda Frasier

Video Preparer/Operator/Sound: Colleen Smith

Key Deacon for November: Lisa Nabus (785-761-4895)

Elder for the week of Nov. 16: Linda Brungardt (785-223-3903)

Head Usher for November: Sheila Markley

Acolytes for Nov. 16: Harper Lankas & Delilah Standlee

Coffee Fellowship is hosted by: The 3rd - 5th grade Sunday School Class

Children Are Welcome in Worship. We joyfully welcome all children and youth to stay and participate in the worship service as we experience God together. If you prefer, our nursery is available for ages infant to pre-k. Our caring staff is ready to lovingly receive your child.

Congregational Meeting:

There will be a congregational meeting after the service today to elect the 2026 elders and deacons. Please plan to attend if you are able.

Hanging of the Greens: We need volunteers to stay following worship **next Sunday, November 23** to decorate the church for the holidays.

No Sunday School:

There will be **no Sunday School (all ages) on November 23** due to Thanksgiving.

The Church will be closed on Thursday, November 27, and Friday, November 28 in observance of Thanksgiving. We will re-open at 9:00 am on Monday, December 1.

Junction City Community Blood Drive:

Tuesday, November 18 – 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Wednesday, November 19 – 8:30 am to 1:30 p.m.
at the Municipal Building. Walk-ins welcome. Call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org to schedule an appt.

The **Wednesday lunch bible study** meets at 12:30 pm. Elaine Dill is leading us on Proverbs, using “A Woman of Wisdom” by Dee Brestin. We'd love to have you join us!

The Pathfinder Adult Sunday School meets Sunday mornings at 9:30am in Room 206. Beginning Sunday, October 12th the class will start a new study series on the life of the Apostle Paul entitled “The Call”. This study will be based on a book and accompanying video written and prepared by Adam Hamilton, the senior pastor of the United Methodist Church of the Resurrection in Leawood, Kansas. Pastor Hamilton has written many books and has a national reputation as a Christian author and teacher. Everyone is welcome; please join us if this is of interest to you.

Operation Christmas Child, a mission of *Samaritan’s Purse*, sends shoeboxes filled with gifts and essential items to children around the world. Shoeboxes and flyers are available in the narthex, along with information on what to include. You can also go online to [Operation Christmas Child](#) and fill a box virtually.

We hope you’ll join us in spreading the love of Christ—it’s needed now more than ever! Team up with a friend or let the kids help pack a box.

Our goal is 50 boxes this year! Please return filled boxes to the church on Sundays or leave them in the church office by November 16.

Members Respond to Annual Stewardship Appeal

We are wrapping up our annual financial stewardship campaign. We thank all those who have already submitted their commitments for 2026. Your support enables us to continue our ministries in the church and the community. Thank you!

If you have not done so yet, we encourage you to submit a pledge card for 2026 soon so we can finalize our budget for 2026. Making a financial promise is part of the commitment that we make to the Lord and to each other as members of our church.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Monday 5:30 pm	Cub Scouts
Tuesday 9:00 am 7:00 pm	Presbytery Meeting-Salina Session Meeting
Wednesday 12:30 pm 6:30 pm 8:00 pm	Bible Study Chancel Choir Rehearsal AA Meeting
Sunday 8:30 am 10:45 am	Glory Ringers Rehearsal Worship, child care available Coffee Fellowship Hanging of the Greens



Christmas Poinsettias



The Church Office is now taking orders for Poinsettias to be used in the sanctuary during the Christmas season.

Cost: \$10.00 each (includes tax)

If you would like to purchase a Poinsettia, please complete the form below and return it to the Church Office by **Monday, December 8.**

Checks should be made payable to **First Presbyterian Church** and noted **“Poinsettias.”**

The Poinsettias will decorate the sanctuary on **Sunday, December 21**, for the 10:45 service and on **Christmas Eve, Wednesday, December 24.**

Memorials will be printed in the bulletin on **Sunday, December 21.**

Please plan to pick up your Poinsettia following the **Christmas Eve evening service.** Any flowers not picked up will be distributed as the church deems best.

Name:

Number of Poinsettia(s) ordering:

Bulletin Inscription: (name(s) Given in memory of or in honor of)

In Memory of names:

In Honor of:



Thanksgiving Help

The community-wide free Thanksgiving Dinner will be held this year with some changes. We will be serving dinner by ***delivery, *inside pickup, or in-person dining**. If you would like to/can donate a 20–25-pound turkey let Margaret or the office know. Or you can donate \$25.00 and Margaret will purchase the turkey. Please make checks out to First Presbyterian Church and put “Thanksgiving Dinner” in the memo.

Questions: skilpatrick@cox.net or 785-762-2780
office@fpcjc.com or 785-238-1191

Volunteers are always needed to help. If you are willing to work in any way, please sign the slip below, indicating the hours you are available and give it to Margaret Kilpatrick or drop it off in the church office. Thank you.

I will work 9:00 am-11:00 am, Monday, November 24, 2025

I will work 9:00 am-1:00 pm, Tuesday, November 25, 2025

I will work 9:00 am-12:00 pm, Wednesday, November 26, 2025

I will work on Thursday, November 27, 2025

Our Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner
Thanksgiving Day, November 27, 2025
Delivery time: 11:00 am – 11:30 am
Dine-in time: 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm
Pickup time: 1:30 pm – 2:00 pm (church dining room)
***(pickup/delivery only for those who have reserved a meal)**

Report of the 2025 Nominating Committee
November 16, 2025

Ruling Elders – Class of 2028

Krista Blaisdell
Rhoda Frasier
Mike Guinn
Gene Parrish

Deacons – Class of 2028

Melissa Goble
Kelly Landes
Jennifer Lankas
Alice Stuckey

Nominating Committee – 2026

Chris Jeffrey
Joe Markley
Sheila Markley
Peter Rombold
Colleen Smith

Report Submitted by Sheila Markley, Chairperson

2025 Nominating Committee:
Randy Heldstab (Elder), Sheila Markley (Elder),
Mary Kay Munson (Deacon), Joe Markley, Peter Rombold,
Colleen Smith, Sue Steinfort