

CONTRIBUTING TO TODAY'S SERVICE:

Greeter: Marilyn Sjogren

Ushers: Alisa Dinneen, Bill & Karen Wilson

Tech Crew: Larry Trussell & Steve Tangeman

Organist: Helen Wild

Scripture Reader: Rojean DuBois

Prayers requested for health, healing, and peace:

The family of Rev. Bill Kleymann, The Family of Elinor Kliever, Arlen Anderson, Ron Cheyney, Nancy Ice Schulp, and Jeri Smith

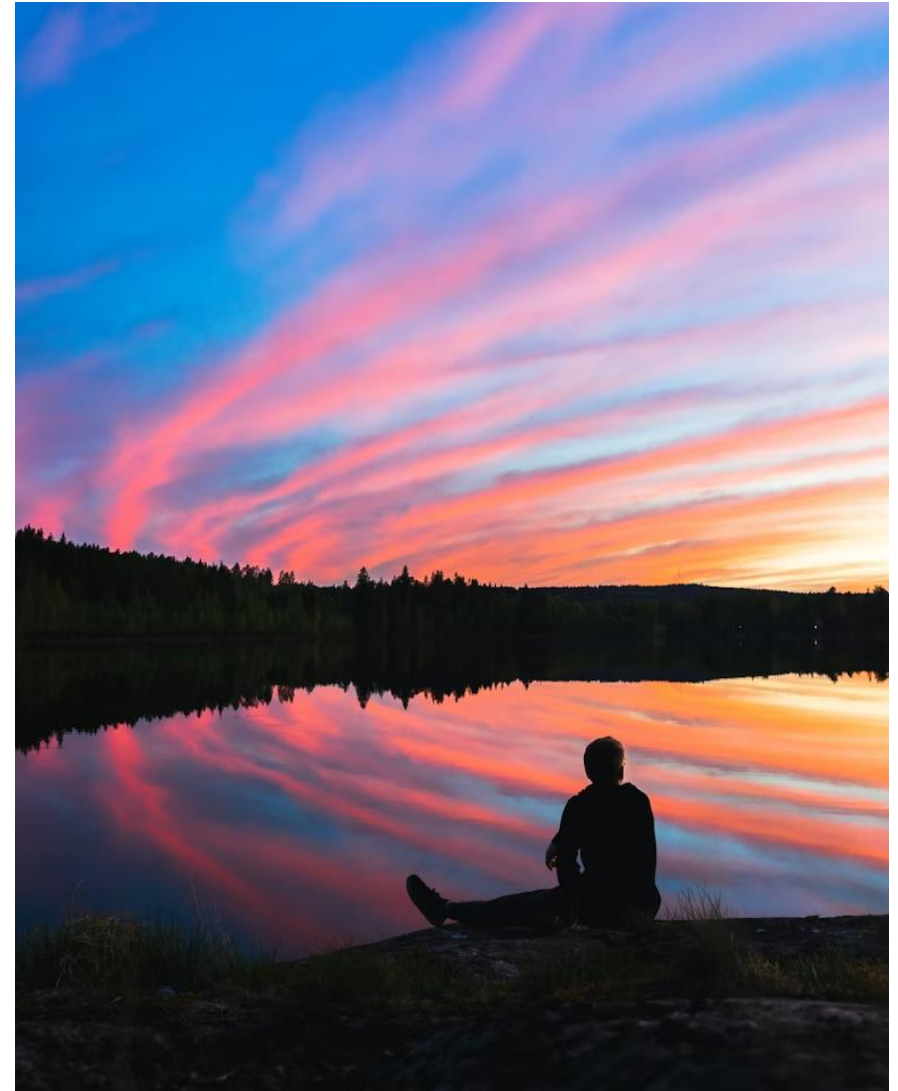
THIS WEEK @ FPC January 4th – 10th

Today	9:15 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship Service
		Communion
Monday	8:30 - 10:00 am	Ping Pong in the basement
Wednesday	10:00 am	Coffee with the Pastor
Thursday	10:00 am	PWCT
	3:30 pm	Revitalization Meeting
	7:00 pm	Operations Meeting
	7:00 pm	Outreach Meeting
Next Sunday	Elder & Deacon Installation	

Worship @

First Presbyterian Church

Newton, KS



PRELUDE “To Follow The Star” arr. Franklin Ritter

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

- Welcome, Announcements, Guests & Prayer Requests

✦ **CALL TO WORSHIP** (Recite in unison)

Lord, as we begin this New Year, we are thankful for the year behind us, a gift through which we’ve lived and moved. At this time, with our feet poised to walk forward in 2026, we turn to You with our prayer of hope. Hope springs eternal when we walk with You. Help us walk this year faithfully with You. In Jesus Name, amen.

✦ **LORD’S PRAYER** (Pray in unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever, Amen.

✦ **HYMN** “Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning”
PH #67

✦ **PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF PARDON** (Recite in unison)

Restore us, O Lord, we pray. Bring us back to that place where shepherds met. Take us back to the stable after hearing the angels sing. Help us realize You did not send Your message to those in positions of power or authority but instead, chose to share it with ordinary people. Bring us back to that place of love, wonder and rejoicing Your Holy name. Forgive us when we forget to live from that hope. Let us sing praises to our heavenly King. Restore us, O Lord, we pray. Amen

✦ **CHORAL RESPONSE** “Gloria Patri” PH # 579
*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!*

HYMN “What Star Is This” PH #68

SCRIPTURE

Rojean DuBois

Luke 2:8-19 NIV

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God

SERMON – Pastor Scott McGinnis

“Epiphany Again and Again”

LORD’S SUPPER

Communion is offered two ways: From the Communion Table or Packaged Individual Communion Elements. Please place used cups in sealed bags and discard after service. Thank you!

GOD’S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY “Three Kings” arr. Patricia Lou Harris

✦ **DOXOLOGY & PRAYER OF DEDICATION** PH #592
Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

✦ **HYMN** “As with Gladness Men of Old” PH#63

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “Raise Now Your Song on High”
arr. Camille Saint-Saëns

Luke 2:8-19 NIV

⁸ And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. ⁹ An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰ But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. ¹¹ Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹² This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."

¹³ Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,

¹⁴ "Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

¹⁵ When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about."

¹⁶ So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. ¹⁷ When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, ¹⁸ and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. ¹⁹ But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart.

Newton is experiencing an increased need for food this month. Please consider donating.

The Salvation Army needs:

Spaghetti-O's and other canned meals, ramen noodles, canned vegetables, soups, spaghetti sauce and noodles, granola bars and boxed individual snacks, crackers, hamburger helper, pop tarts, peanut butter and jelly, toilet paper, and paper towels.

New Jerusalem has a food pantry as well to donate to. They are located at 209 E. Broadway St.

Bluestem U, the lifelong learning program of Bluestem Communities for individuals age 55 and better, is about to begin January 8, with "Life Upon the Wicked Stage: Classics of Western Theatre" taught by Lauren Friesen. Classes will be Thursdays, January 8 through February 12, 2026. There is still time to sign up! Other classes being offered for the winter/spring semester are "Health, the Human Face of Climate Change" taught by Dwight Krehbiel, and "Biblical Literature (Bib Lit) Crash Course" taught by Kevin Wilder. Courses are \$50 a piece. See bluestemu.org for more information and to register for classes.