

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

October 13 2024

10:30 am

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Piano Prelude

Silent Prayer and Meditation

* Congregational Introit # 247:

"Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me."

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Lord of all, we praise you; we worship you; we adore you.

You hold the heavens in your hand.

All the stars rejoice in your glory.

You bless us with the rising of the sun.

Your grace shines on us with the noonday splendor.

The stars in their courses magnify your name.

The breath of your peace spreads across the earth.

We stand before you in awe.

* Hymn # 267 "Come Thou Almighty King"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Creator God, Ruler of the Universe,

Open our hearts to the fullness of your promises.

Where we have been weak, grant us your strength.

Where we have been confused, grant us your guidance.

**Where we have been overwhelmed,
grant us your comfort.**

Where we have been dead, grant us your new life.

Apart from you, we are nothing.

In Christ, we can do all things. Amen

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news! Christ came into the world to reconcile us with God and with each other. And Christ has given to us the ministry of reconciliation. God's transforming love is for us all. Believe and share the good news!

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

In Jesus Christ, we are a new creation!

* **Gloria Patri**

(# 623 Hymnal)

Welcome and Announcements

Invitational music for **JLK**

(#42 Hymnal)

"Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you—Allelu, alleluia!"

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

* The Doxology

(#625 Hymnal)

* Offertory Prayer

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 13: 1---14:1a

Sermon: "Love Is an Act of the Will"

* Hymn # 92 "Love Divine, All Love's Excelling"

Prayers of the Community and Lord's Prayer

* Hymn # 296 "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations"

* Benediction

* Congregational Response # 602: ***"God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you, with his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again."***

* Postlude

* Stand, if comfortably able.

The Great Ends of the Presbyterian Church are:

The proclamation of the gospel for the salvation of humankind;

The shelter, nurture and spiritual fellowship of the children of God;

The maintenance of divine worship;

The preservation of the truth;

The promotion of social righteousness; and

The exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the world. -- The PCUSA Book of Order

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Sunday School Teacher: Terrie Palmer

Greeter: Barb Miller

Prayer Needs: Trish Dudek, Jack Turkal, Paul Schnell, Shala Mannoochahr, Zach Maxwell, Donna James, Marlene Keleher, Pauline Shroyer, Claire Barnhouse, Sam Waldron, Ann Tucker.

MISSION EMPHASIS: Operation Christmas Child (Shoebboxes)

LOVE IS
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LOVE IS
kind

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THIS WEEK

Sunday (10-13)	Sunday School	9:15 am
	Worship Service	10:30 am
Tuesday (10-15)	Hope Circle	9:30 am
Thursday (10-17)	Food Pantry Volunteer	
	Appreciation Banquet	6:00 pm

PLEASE NOTE:

Flowers: The beautiful flowers this morning are in memory of Bob Martin's birthday.

Rummage sale proceeds: The proceeds from the rummage sale (\$3500) will be given to the Food Pantry to help with the cost of the Christmas Basket Ministry.

Hope Circle: Hope Circle will meet at 9:30 am at Happy Joes in Coal Valley. Come and join us for breakfast & Bible study.

Greeters: We have greeters again! There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church if you would like to be a greeter. Thanks

Sunday school: All Sunday School classes have started. The adult class "Coffee Talk" starts at 9:15 for coffee and at 9:30 we will continue to study Matthew.

Trunk -or-Treat: The Deacons are collecting candy donations for Coal Valley's Trunk or Treat on Tuesday, October 22nd from 6-7 pm. Please leave candy at the back of the church or in the office. Thankyou!

Operation Christmas Child: It's time to start packing shoeboxes and bringing them to church! Next Sunday will be our Operation Christmas Child Kick-off.

Mark Your Calendar: Beulah, our partner church, has invited our whole congregation to join them in worship to celebrate their 170th anniversary on Sunday, October 27th at 10 am. This is also Reformation Day in the Presbyterian Church. There will be bagpipes, drums, kilts and special food. Please plan on attending.

Hot Dog Roast: We will have our annual Hot Dog Roast at the McWhinney's (1134 North 1800 Ave, Coal Valley) starting at 4:30 pm on October 27th. There will be horseback rides, hay rack rides, hot dogs & S'mores. Bring a lawn chair and enjoy the fellowship.

Pianist: As you know we are looking to hire a pianist. The following is the job description:
Worship services each Sunday 10:20-11:30 am
Choir rehearsals Thursday evening 7-8:30 (Sept-May)
Position is open and available now.
Please see Eilene Stephens or Shannon Mock if you or someone you know might be interested.

Happy Birthday! The Board of Deacons would like to wish a Happy Birthday to the following people this week:

Nancy Breitenstein	October 15
Phillip Laxton	October 15
Chaz Blankenship	October 17
Kaleb Blankenship	October 19
Allyssa Spoljoric	October 19
Jonathan Bradley	October 19



Online Giving is now available!

