

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

February 23, 2025

10:30 am

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Choir Introit

Call to Worship

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it,
the world and those who live in it.
Who shall ascend the mountain of the Lord?

**Those who have clean hands and pure hearts,
who do not lift up their souls to what is false,
and do not swear deceitfully.**

They will receive blessing from the Lord,
and vindication from the God of their salvation.
Such is the company of those
who seek the face of the Lord.

**Lift up your heads in praise
that the king of glory may come in!**

Presentation of Colors: Scouts

* *Hymn #58 "This is My Fathers World"*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of mercy, you sent Jesus
to seek and to save the lost.
We confess that we have failed in love,
forgotten justice,
and have turned from your truth.
Our fears blind us from our neighbors in need.
Save us from hard hearts and timid minds
that shrink back from taking up our cross
to follow you.
In Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Jesus is the life and the light of the world.
From his fullness we have all received
grace upon grace. Christ makes known
the heart of God, who is with us and for us.
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

Special Speaker: Scout Master

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!"**

Choir Anthem: "Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God"

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

* The Doxology (#625 Hymnal)
* Offertory Prayer
Scripture: John 5: 19-47
Sermon: "Humanity on Trial"

Dr. Andrew McDonald

* *Hymn #484 "Who Is on the Lord's Side?"*

Prayers of the Community and Lord's Prayer

Choir Prayer Response
* *Hymn #483 "Lead On, O King Eternal"*
* Benediction
* *Choir Benediction*
* Postlude
* Stand, if comfortably able.

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Deacons: Terrie Palmer

Session: Deb Boudi

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Building Committee: Hilde Wray

Sunday School Teacher: Lisa DeBaillie

Greeter: David Robert Jenkins

Prayer Needs: Teresa Bleyhl, Doug Johnson (cancer),
Shala Mannoochahr, Zach Maxwell, Donna James,
Marlene Keleher, Pauline Shroyer,
Claire Barnhouse, Sam Waldron, Ann Tucker.



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THIS WEEK

Sunday (2-23) Sunday School 9:15 am
Worship 10:30 am
Thursday (2-27) Choir Practice 7:00 pm

PLEASE NOTE:

Scout Sunday: Today we are celebrating Scout Sunday. Please welcome all our Scouts and Scout leaders. Thank you, Scouts, for everything you do.

Choir: Come and join our choir! We practice on Thursdays at 7:00 pm. Come and make a joyful noise unto the Lord!

Greeters: Please sign up if you would like to be a greeter.

Per Capita: Our Per Capita this year is \$38.29 per active member. Please submit by February 23rd.

Wedding Shower: All women of the church are invited to a wedding shower for Burçin Tolu (fiancée of Ben Carls) on Saturday, March 1, 2025, at 2:00 in the church basement. We will have food, fun, and games! You can find their gift registry at **theknot.com/burcinandben**.

Please sign the paper at the back of the church, or call or text Jan Gustafson (309-781-3764) if you can come. Hope to see you!!!

Mariann McWhinney & Jan Gustafson

Ash Wednesday: Ash Wednesday Service, on March 5th will be held at Beulah Presbyterian Church at 6:30 pm

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

Darlene Sanchez	February 23
Kathy Miller	February 24
Josephine Mock	February 25
Scott McWhinney	February 27
Olivia Moore	February 27
Bob Evans	February 28
Ernest Evans	February 28
Trish Dudek	March 2



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