

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

March 16, 2025

10:30 am

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Choir Introit

Call to Worship Ephesians 5

Once you were darkness,
But now in the Lord, you are light.
Live as children of light.

**The fruit of the light is found
in all that is good and right and true.**

Seek what is pleasing to the Lord.
Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness,
but instead expose them.
Everything that is becomes visible in the light.
As the Scripture says:

**“Sleeper, wake up!
Rise from the dead,
and Christ will shine on you!”**

* *Hymn #25 "Immortal, Invisible"*

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 to be just,
and turned away from your truth.
Our fearfulness blinds us from neighbors in need,
and from our true selves.
Save us from timid minds that shrink back from taking up
our cross, and following you.
Heal us and give us sight to see anew through the light
you give in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The gospel assures us: Jesus is the light of the world.
The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has
not overcome it. His light shines on us, granting us new life.

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!"***

Choir Anthem: *"At the Cross"*

Presentation of Tithes and Offering

* Doxology (625 Hymnal)

* Offertory Prayer

Scripture: John 9: 1-41

Sermon: "The Will to See and the Will to Be"

Dr. Andrew McDonald

* *Hymn #382 "Be Thou My Vision"*

Prayers of the Community and Lord's Prayer

Choir Prayer Response

* *Hymn #21 "Stand Up and Bless the Lord"*

* Benediction

* *Choir Benediction*

* Postlude

* Stand, if comfortably able.

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Deacons: Corey Lambert

Session: Michelle Kahley

Mission Committee: Joyce Stephens

Building Committee: Teresa Bleyhl

Sunday School Teacher: Mindy Carls

Greeter: Deb Boudi

Prayer Needs: Family of Phyllis Web, Doug Johnson (cancer),
Shala Mannoochahr, Zach Maxwell,
Donna James, Pauline Shroyer, Claire Barnhouse,
Sam Waldron, Ann Tucker.



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THIS WEEK

Sunday	(3-16)	Sunday School	9:15 am
		Worship	10:30 am
Tuesday	(3-18)	Hope Circle	9:30 am
Thursday	(3-20)	Choir Practice	7:00 pm

PLEASE NOTE:

Hope Circle: Will meet at Happy Joe's for breakfast and Bible study at 9:30 am. Come and join us!

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.

Orion Community Lenten Services:

Every Friday at 12:00 with luncheon as follows:

3/21 Mary Our Lady of Peace

3/28 First Baptist

4/4 United Methodist

4/11 Beulah Presbyterian

Coal Valley Easter Schedule:

4/11 Lenten service @ Beulah, 12:00 w/luncheon

4/13 Palm Sunday Service 10:30 am

4/17 Maundy Thursday@ Beulah,6:30 pm w/Pot Luck dinner

4/20 Easter service: 9:00 am breakfast, 10:30 Worship

Lawn mowing: There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church if you would like to help mow the church lawn this season.

SAVE THE DATE! Mark your calendars for a Father-Son outing to the River Bandits baseball game on Wednesday, May 28, at 6:30. More details to follow.

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

Brian Manecke	March 16
Jessica Poust	March 16
Robbie Sellers	March 16
Kamryn Harris	March 18
Sally Blankenship- Nelson	March 19
Brian Merkel	March 19
Dorothe Baraks	March 19
Lonie Boens	March 20
Scott Moore	March 20
Jack Martinez	March 21
Emma Steiger	March 23
Michelle Kahley	March 24
Sierra Wray	March 24



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