

# SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

April 6, 2025

10:30 am

Prelude

*Choral*

*Introit*

## Call to Worship

“Do not remember the former things,  
or consider the things of old.  
I am about to do a new thing.  
Now it springs forth - do you not perceive it?”

“I will make a way in the wilderness,  
and rivers in the desert.  
I give drink to my people who thirst.”  
Give thanks to the Lord!

*\*Hymn #64, “All Creatures of Our God and King”*

## Prayer of Confession

Silent Confession

**Eternal God, we confess that we have tried to hide from You.  
For we turn away from neighbors in need,  
and refuse to bear the burdens of the oppressed.  
We pass by the hungry and poor.  
We have not loved others as You have loved us.  
Forgive us, and free us from our selfishness,  
that we may follow in the paths of life,  
shown in Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

**Amen.**

## Assurance of Pardon

Jesus Christ is the gift of God, who, in love,  
takes away the sins of the world.  
He points us in the ways of life.  
We proclaim to each other and to the world 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: “Why?”***

## Presentation of Tithes and Offering

\* Doxology (625 Hymnal)  
\* Offertory Prayer  
Scripture: John 12: 1-11

**Sermon: “Life Imitates Art”**

Dr. Andrew McDonald

*\* Hymn #88 “Fairest Lord Jesus”*

## Prayer Requests

*Choral Introduction to Prayer*

**Prayers for the Community and Lord’s Prayer**

## Holy Communion

\* *Hymn #379 “Take My Life and Let It Be”*  
\* Benediction  
\* *Choral Benediction*  
\* Postlude  
\* Stand, if comfortably able.

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**Church Secretary:** Connie Moore

**Choir Director:** Eilene Stephens

**Organist:** Gail Tutt

**Custodian:** Dave Miller

**Deacons:** Jan Gustafson

**Session:** Mindy Carls

**Mission Committee:** Carole Bridgford

**Building Committee:** Hilde Wray

**Sunday School Teacher:** Terrie Palmer

**Greeter:** Mariann & Scott McWhinney

**Prayer Needs:** Doug Johnson (cancer),  
Shala Mannoochahr, Donna James, Pauline Shroyer,  
Claire Barnhouse, Sam Waldron, Ann Tucker.



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## **THIS WEEK**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>(4-6)</b>	Sunday School	9:15 am
		Worship	10:30 am
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>(4-8)</b>	Afternoon Circle	1:00 pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>(4-9)</b>	Deacons	6:30 pm
		Session	7:30 pm
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>(4-10)</b>	Choir Practice	7:00 pm
<b>Friday</b>	<b>(4-11)</b>	Beulah Lenten Service	12 noon

### **PLEASE NOTE:**

**One Great Hour of Sharing:** In your bulletin you will find info about this special offering. Please use the special envelopes in the pew to make your donation. We will be collecting these donations from now until Easter Sunday.

**Afternoon Circle:** The Afternoon Circle will meet at the church at 1:00 pm on Tuesday April 8<sup>th</sup>. Connie Moore will lead the lesson and Carla Belgarde is the Hostess. Come and join us!

**Deacons & Session:** Deacons and Session will meet at their regular times at the church on Wednesday.

**Devotionals:** The large print "Daily Bread" devotionals for April are at the back of the church. Please help yourself.

**New Devotional:** There is a new devotional for Easter called "Messiah's Last Words" available at the back of the church.

**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.

### **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:

Larry Manecke	April 10
Lori Snart	April 11
Roy Gustafson	April 11
Henry Spoljoric	April 13



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