

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

August 17, 2025

10:30 am

Prelude

Congregational Introit

Here I Am Lord (refrain) see insert

Call to Worship:

Give thanks to the Lord!
Sing praises to our God!

**How great are your works, O Lord!
How deep are your thoughts!
Though the wicked sprout like grass
And evildoers flourish,
They are doomed to destruction.
For you, O Lord, rule on high forever!
In the day of my trouble, I will call to you,
for you will answer me**

Hymn #64 "All Creatures of Our God and King"

Invitation to Confession:

If we say we are without sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is full of grace, forgiving us and giving us new life. Let us confess together.

**Lord God, when I have done what is Wrong and displeasing in your sight, extend your love to correct me.
When I ignore those in need and pretend that all is right with the world, Help me to face the truth.
When I turn a blind eye to those stricken with poverty, and those who face injustice, Lord, teach me your way.
Give me an undivided heart, that I may fear your righteous anger, and learn anew the love and justice of Jesus Christ. In his name we pray. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

As the Scripture tells us, while we were sinners, Christ died for us, that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good. God's love in Christ 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)

Presentation of Tithes and Offering

- * Doxology (625 Hymnal)
- * Offertory Prayer

Scripture: Numbers 22: 1 – 38

Sermon: "When Your Donkey Is Smarter Than You"

** Hymn #297 "I Love to Tell the Story"*

Prayers of the Community and Lord's Prayer

** Hymn #17 "Ye Servants of God"*

* Benediction

* Benediction Response, "Shine, Jesus Shine" (refrain) see insert

* Postlude

* Stand, if comfortably able.

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Session: Max Gentry

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Building Committee: Karl Bleyhl

Sunday School Teacher: Brian Gentry

Greeter: Terry Palmer

Prayer Needs: Dave Miller (Hip surgery), Shala Mannoochahr,
Donna James, Pauline Shroyer, Sam Waldron.

Interested in Membership? If you are visiting Coal Valley Presbyterian Church today, we are glad to have you as our guest! If you are ready to take the next step in your spiritual journey by joining our church family, please see Dr. McDonald after the service or call the church office. We will let you know about our new member orientation class.

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THIS WEEK

Sunday (8/17)	Worship	10:30 am
	Picnic in the Park	12:00 noon
Tuesday (8/19)	Hope Circle	9:30 am
Wednesday (8/20)	Nominating Com.	7:30 pm

PLEASE NOTE:

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

Church Picnic: The church picnic is TODAY immediately after the Worship service at the Coal Valley Park, Shelter #1. It will be a pot luck. Meat, table service and drinks will be provided. Please bring a dish to share and enjoy the fellowship!

Food Pantry: The food pantry would like donations of canned fruits and vegetables for the month of August. Thanks!

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

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

Rummage sale: Mark your calendars: The rummage sale dates are October 3rd & 4th. We are accepting any rummage sale items in the marked rooms down stairs. **We will need lots of help setting up starting September 22.**

Building Committee: Needs a few more members. Please let us know if you would like to serve on this committee. Thanks.

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

Karl Bleyhl	August 17
Robin Sellers	August 18
Mara Manecke	August 20
JP Martinez	August 23
Carl Spoljoric	August 23



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