

# SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

September 21, 2025

10:30 am

Prelude

*Congregational Introit*

***Here I Am Lord, It is I Lord, I Have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go Lord if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.***

## Call to Worship:

Give thanks to the Lord!  
Sing praises to the God of all!  
Morning and evening, celebrate the steadfast love of God!

**You, Lord, give us joy in your creation;  
at the works of your hands, we sing for joy!  
The righteous flourish like the trees that feed us.  
They are planted in the household of our God.**

*\* Hymn #2 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"*

## Invitation to Confession:

Let us confess our sin to God and one another.

**Creator God, forgive us for our lack of vision.  
We forget that your kingdom begins  
with the smallest of seeds,  
yet it grows to become a home for so many.  
When we treat our faith as insignificant, we wither.  
When we allow doubt and unbelief to take root,  
The weeds of fear and hatred grow, blocking the Light.  
Through Christ, plant the seeds of hope and courage  
both within us and among us. Give us growth to branch out  
to create a welcoming home for all, in Christ's love. Amen**

## Assurance of Pardon

Scripture gives many images to talk about God's goal for us:  
the kingdom of heaven; being set free; the mustard bush  
where the birds find a home. God provides what we cannot  
provide for ourselves. God welcomes us home.  
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

## Presentation of Tithes and Offering

- \* Doxology (625 Hymnal)
- \* Offertory Prayer

**Scripture:** Luke 13:10-19

**Sermon:** "The Parable About Nothing That Became Everything"

*Hymn #578 "All Things Bright and Beautiful"*

## Prayer Requests and Lord's Prayer: Sung (see insert)

*\* Hymn #1 "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"*

\* Benediction

\* Benediction Response:

***Shine, Jesus Shine, fill this land with the Father's glory.  
Blaze, Spirit blaze, set our hearts on fire. Flow river flow,  
flood the nations with grace and mercy, Send forth your  
Word, Lord, and let there be light!***

\* Postlude

\* Stand, if comfortably able.

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**PNC :** Eilene Stephens

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**Sunday School Teacher:** Mindy Carls

**Prayer Needs:** Dave Belville (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**

<b>Sunday (9-21)</b>	<b>Sunday School</b>	<b>9:15 am</b>
	<b>Worship</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>
<b>Thursday (9-25)</b>	<b>Choir Practice</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>

### **PLEASE NOTE:**

**Food pantry:** The food Pantry is in need of canned fruit & vegetables this month. Please donate if you are able to help.

**Rummage sale:** Mark your calendars: The rummage sale dates are October 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>. We are accepting any rummage sale items in the marked rooms down stairs. **We will need lots of help setting up starting Monday September 22 from 9-12 noon and each day that week until its all done and priced.**

**Hot Dog Roast:** Mark your calendars! October 5<sup>th</sup> @ 4pm we will enjoy our annual Hot Dog Roast & Hay Rack Ride at the McWhinney's farm (1134 N. 1800<sup>th</sup> Ave, CV). Come and enjoy!

**Trunk -r-Treat:** Will be October 21<sup>st</sup> at the municipal Park. **We are needing donations of candy for that event.**

**Choir:** Our first rehearsal will be **Thursday, September 25,** at 7:00 p.m. We will rehearse at 7:00 p.m. on October 2 and 9 (also Thursdays) and our first Sunday performance will be **October 12th.** See you all on September 25th!

**Reformation Sunday:** There will be a "Scottish Festival" after Church on Oct 26<sup>th</sup>. Events include Scottish games for kids, food, bagpipes, face painting, etc. We encourage you to bring friends!

**Shoeboxes:** It's not too early to start collecting items for Operation Christmas Child. Our drop off date is November 16<sup>th</sup>. Let's go!

**Are You Scottish?** Please let the office know if you are of Scottish ancestry. We would like to know for our Reformation Day Celebration on October 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Looking for Instrumentalists:** If you play a musical instrument and would be willing to share your talents for Worship once in a while please let Dr McDonald know.

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

<b>Christine Rugh</b>	<b>September 21</b>
<b>Tim Wray</b>	<b>September 22</b>
<b>Eric Wier</b>	<b>September 23</b>
<b>Debbie Quillin</b>	<b>September 23</b>
<b>Dee Kraemer</b>	<b>September 24</b>
<b>Megan Manecke</b>	<b>September 25</b>
<b>Jacob Wray</b>	<b>September 25</b>
<b>Paul Sanchez</b>	<b>September 26</b>
<b>Stacey DeVoght</b>	<b>September 27</b>
<b>Zach Blankenship</b>	<b>September 28</b>
<b>Carolyn Murphy</b>	<b>September 28</b>



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