

# SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

December 28, 2025

10:30 am

Prelude

*Choir Introit*

## **Call to Worship: Isaiah 63**

I will recount the gracious deeds of the LORD,  
the praiseworthy acts of the LORD,  
because of all that the LORD has done for us.  
He has shown us according to his mercy,  
according to the abundance of his steadfast love.

**He became their savior in all their distress.  
It was no messenger or angel but his presence that saved  
them;  
in his love and pity it was he who redeemed them;  
he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old.**

*\* Hymn #133 "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"*

## **Invitation to Confession:**

Let us confess our sin to God and one another.

**God of grace and God of glory, in the birth of Jesus,  
your love has come to dwell among us.  
In the face of Christ, you have revealed your compassion.  
You enter into the world, but we are tempted to turn our  
heads, and ignore the world.  
You come into the world as a child,  
but we forget about the vulnerable ones.  
Help us to turn again to you  
and to live in a world where all God's children  
are welcomed home, into the family of God, through Jesus  
Christ. Amen.**

## **Assurance of Pardon**

As the book of Hebrews says, Christ has become like his  
brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might  
become a merciful and faithful high priest, to save his  
people from their sins.

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)**

*Choir Anthem: "Love came Down at Christmas"*

## **Presentation of Tithes and Offering**

\* Doxology #625 (Hymnal)

\* Offertory Prayer

**Scripture:** Matthew 2: 13-23

**Sermon** "Dreams, Intuitions and Highly Perceptive People"  
Dr. Andrew McDonald

*\*Hymn "In the Bleak Midwinter" see insert*

## **Prayer Requests and Lord's Prayer**

*\*Hymn #125 "Joy to the World"*

Benediction

Choir Benediction

Postlude

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**Sunday School Teacher:** Jodie Mortensen

**Prayer Needs:** The family of Donna James, Kirk McKinzie, Shala Mannoochahr, 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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