

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

August 16, 2026

10:30 am

Prelude

*Call to Worship

We know that, if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed,
we have a building from God, a house not made with
hands, eternal in the heavens.

**For in this tent we groan,
longing to be further clothed with our heavenly dwelling,**

so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life.

**We walk by faith, not by sight.
For the love of Christ urges us on.**

*** Hymn: "We Walk by Faith"** (see insert)

Prayer of Confession

God of grace,
we come before You and confess
we look at the storms of life around us,
and we struggle with doubt and fear.
We want to trust You,
but are defined by a world of skepticism, atheism and
chaos.
We come to rely only on what we can see and touch,
and forget that seeing comes from believing.
When we do not believe in Your grace,
we are not only faithless, but blind.
Help our unbelief, in the Spirit of Jesus Christ.

***Stand if you are able**

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the Good News of God's amazing love.
Christ does not look at our weak faith and turn away.
Jesus met Thomas in his doubt. He meets us in ours, too.
He does not demand perfect belief before He offers grace.
Our belief changes our point of view.
"So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:
the old has passed away; everything has become fresh
and new." 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 (#42 Hymnal) JLK

Presentation of Tithes and Offering

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

Scripture: Mark 9:14-29

Sermon: "Ted Lasso Was Right — Believe!"

Dr. Andrew McDonald

***Hymn: #427 "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"**

Prayer Requests and the Lord's Prayer

**Hymn: #276 "Christ Is Made the Sure
Foundation"**

Benediction

**Congregational Response: #498 "I've got Peace
like a River"**

Postlude

Church Office: 309-799-3511

E-mail address: secretary@cvpres.com

Website: www.cvpres.com

Transitional Pastor: Rev. Dr. Andrew McDonald

Pastor's Assistant: Barbara Belville 309-236-9197

Church Secretary: Connie Moore

Choir Director: Eilene Stephens

Organist: Gail Tutt

Custodian: Dave Miller

Choir Members: Ben Snart

Deacons: Amy Gentry

Session: Kevin Mortensen

Mission Committee: Joyce Stephens

Building Committee: Teresa Bleyhl

PNC: Michelle Kahley

(Pastor Nominating Committee)

Sunday School Teacher: Brian Gentry

Prayer Needs:

Julia Martin,
Tisha Stump,
Cheryl Schillinger,
Kirk McKinzie,
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.



First Presbyterian Church
2431 First St., P.O. Box 126
Coal Valley, IL 61240
(309) 799-3511

THIS WEEK

Sunday (8-16) Worship 10:30 am
Tuesday (8-18) Hope Circle 9:30 am

PLEASE NOTE:

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

Hope Circle: The Hope Circle Bible study will meet at Happy Joe's on Tuesday, August 18 at 9:30 am for breakfast and Bible study. They are on lesson 9 in the book "Living a Purposeful Life" Come and join us!

Rummage Sale Stuff: We are still collecting items for our rummage sale on October 1, 2 & 3. There are marked rooms in the basement to store your items. Please bring in your "stuff" during church office hours. (9-12, tues-fri) or on Sundays.

Pastor's Hours: Dr. McDonald will be available in the church office on Tuesdays from **10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** You are welcome to stop in or call during this time.

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

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



Online Giving is now available!

