

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

September 20, 2026

10:30 am

Prelude

*Call to Worship

For everything there is a season,
and a time for every matter under heaven.

**A time to be born, and a time to die;
a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted.**

God has made everything beautiful in its time.

God has also put eternity into our minds.

**Come, let us worship the Lord of time,
the maker of all seasons,
who holds our lives in His hands.**

**** Hymn: #8 "Praise to the Lord the Almighty"***

Call to Confession

Ecclesiastes reminds us that human striving
often leaves us empty.

We try to force our own seasons, control our futures,
and grasp at security apart from God.

Let us bring our restless hearts before the Lord in confession.

* Prayer of Confession

**Eternal God, You are the Lord of time,
but we act as lords of our own lives.**

**We confess that we struggle for control:
refusing to open ourselves
to the possibility for full life in Christ.**

**We worry over tomorrow,
and fail to trust Your providential love today.**

**Forgive our hopeless, our passivity,
and the ways we ignore your call to life.**

**Teach us to live as your children, fully alive in Jesus
Christ. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

God has appointed a time for every season.

Christ enters our time to bring us the fullness of life here
and now. In Jesus, our times are redeemed, and he
invites us into a new time. 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: Ecclesiastes 3:1-13

Sermon: "A Kairos Moment:

When God Opens a Door Briefly"

Dr. Andrew McDonald

****Hymn: "Here I Am, Lord" (insert)***

Prayer Requests and the Lord's Prayer

****Hymn: "A Time for Every Season" lyrics (insert)***

***Benediction**

***Congregational Response:**

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen

Postlude

***Stand if you are able**

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PNC: Roy Gustafson

(Pastor Nominating Committee)

Sunday School Teacher: Jodie Mortensen



Prayer Needs:

Allison Collinson,

Trish Dudek,

Julia Martin,

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 cl

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THIS WEEK

Sunday (9-20)

**Sunday School
Worship**

**9:15 am
10:30 am**

PLEASE NOTE:

Baked Goods Needed: We are collecting baked goods for the Rummage Sale. If you can help, please sign up on the chart at the back of the church. Please bring your baked items **by Wednesday, September 30**, during office hours or at **7:00 PM** that evening.

School Supplies: It's time to start thinking about buying school supplies for our "Operation Christmas Child" Shoeboxes. A lot of places have them on sale now.

Choir: Choir Practices will start Oct 8th at 7 pm. Get your voices ready and come and join us make a joyful noise unto the Lord!

Rummage Sale: We are still collecting items for our rummage sale on October 1, 2 & 3. We now are sorting and pricing the items. Please bring in your gently used items 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:

Jan Versluys	September 20
Christine Rugh	September 21
Charlotte Blaser	September 22
Debbie Quillin	September 23
Megan Manecke	September 25
Paul Sanchez	September 26
Carolyn Murphy	September 28



Online Giving is now available!

