

BEULAH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Rev. Tim Snart, Pastor
Cecil Ward, Worship Leader
Ellen Cooke, Worship Music Leader
Baptism of the Lord

Morning Worship 9:00 a.m. January 7, 2024
(Please sign attendance book.)

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

L: God said, "Let there be light,"

P: and there was light.

L: God's speech

P: is God's action.

L: When God creates,

P: the creation is good.

L: God our maker has done it again.

P: God has brought us to a new dawn. Let us worship God!

*Hymn #492, "Baptized in Water"

*Prayer of Confession

All: Gracious God, we give thanks that in baptism You give us new birth, for baptismal water marks the beginning of life for those who follow Jesus Christ. Inspire us to hear the good news declared at Jesus' baptism, to heed Your voice from heaven proclaiming that Jesus is Your beloved, and to believe that with Christ You are pleased. Teach us to remember our baptism and receive the Holy Spirit again and again. Though we cannot earn Your pleasure, we desire Your grace. Speak to us words of mercy and guide us with Your love, that our lives might declare Your glory in action, word, and deed. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen

*Silent Prayer of Confession

*Assurance of Pardon

L: May the God of mercy, the Lord of strength, forgive you all your sins; and may the Holy Spirit keep you in new life.

Old Testament Reading Malachi 3:1-4, pg. 889

Team Jesus

Special Music

New Testament Reading Mark 1:1-11, pg.

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Message "The Baptism of Jesus"

*Hymn #140, "Holy, Holy"

*Apostles' Creed (Traditional version) pg. 14

All: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he will come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayer Requests / Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Giving the Lord His Tithe and Our Offering

*Doxology #592 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

♪ Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn (please see insert), "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

*Charge / Benediction

*Congregational Response (#535)

♪ Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day that in Your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to You.

*Postlude

**Indicates to stand as you are able – for everyone to rise in spirit.*

BEULAH CALENDAR

Sunday January 7 8:00am Deacon meeting
9:00am Worship / Food Pantry Collection
after Worship Lorenzo's Birthday Celebration
in the Fellowship Hall

Tuesday January 9 6:00pm Building & Grounds Meeting
6:30pm Session

Wednesday January 10 Newsletter articles due

Sunday January 14 9:00am Worship / Communion

Today, January 7:

- The **Deacons** met this morning @ 8am.
- **Food Pantry Collection** will be taken.
- **Lorenzo Galindo's birthday was yesterday.** You are invited to celebrate with coffee, drink and cookies this morning in the Fellowship Hall after the church service. Please bring a birthday card for a card shower and we ask for cookie donations. Thank you, Lorenzo, for playing your guitar weekly to enrich our worship experience! Also, thank you Mary Giannetti for baking a sheet cake for Lorenzo's birthday celebration!

Beulah newsletter articles are due to Nancy by this Wed, Jan 10.

Next Sunday, January 14, **we will celebrate with communion.**

Beulah's Annual meeting is Sunday, Jan 28 during Worship.

Please send your **Annual Report** to Nancy ASAP @
nroberts822@gmail.com. Thank you!

Thanks to all old and new members of Beulah Church. It has been a great family to belong to all these years. I do miss seeing everyone. I have so enjoyed and learned from your prayers and loving kindness. All the lovely flowers from Jan Passini and goodies everyone brings me. The deacons for their cards and cheerfulness. Sherrill who just stopped by to chat and happened to have Christmas goodies which were wonderful. Then there was Deb Morgan (yes, she will always be Deb Morgan to me). I have to thank her for the poinsettia which was especially nice this year. Pastor Tim has been very attentive in his visits. He always left me with prayers, AND his shoes were untied as usual 😊. We will certainly miss him; he fits right in. I wish him and his family well.

Thanks again to all. -Heading for 95 in June of 2024, Joyce King

This week's Home Study Lectionary Readings: 1 Sam 3:1-10 (11-20)

Ps 139:1-6, 13-18 1 Cor 6:12-20 John 1:43-51

The Orion Area Food Pantry completed the Christmas meal distribution on Tuesday, Dec 19, with the many donations provided by the area churches. Christmas meals were provided to 28 families, a total of 81 persons, which included 20 children under 18. Thanks for all your support of the food pantry with holiday meal items, money, and the volunteers who work tirelessly to provide holiday meals to the less fortunate in our community.

Prayer List

Vicki Blair	Heather DeHaven	Robert DeVries	Bobbie Furr
Louise Green	Martha Green	Dylan Preston	Terry Vincent
Kenneth White			

Missionary relatives and friends of our church family

- Tim & Bethany Spears and their daughters, Carmichael and Rose, are currently in the US. Tim & Bethany are teaching virtually, but all plan to return to the Philippines at a later date.
- Ted & Kim Treadway in Guatemala.

Please Remember Our Shut-ins in Your Prayers

Barbara Anderson
Nedra Baraks
Dorothy Gift
Louise Green
Joyce King
Alex Strandgard
Terry Vincent

2024 Church Offering Envelopes

Offering Envelopes available in narthex.

- On the sign-up sheet, list your name with the box number (located in the upper left-hand corner).
- Dates on envelopes are not used by church, so use up old envelopes if possible.
- If you only write checks for the church offerings, it is not necessary to use envelopes.
- Any questions about envelopes, contact Dennis Morgan.

Kindness doesn't cost a thing, yet it's the richest gift you can give.