

BEULAH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Dr. Andrew McDonald, Transitional Pastor
Jan Passini, Liturgist
Ellen Cooke, Worship Music Leader

170th Anniversary Celebration / Reformation Sunday

Morning Worship 10:00 a.m. October 27, 2024
(Please sign attendance book.)

Procession "After the Battle" "The Scottish Soldier"

*Call to Worship

We love because God first loved us!
We gather in procession to remember the living Christ.
We follow where His Holy Spirit leads:

Faith is a journey.

The Pipes and Drums call us to remember
Faith is embodied in the on-going history
of the People of God.

We are "Reformed, and Always Reforming."

The burning flames evoke the transcendent and mysterious God
proclaimed in Scripture
And in the rallying cry of Calvin's Reformation:

"Out of Darkness, Light!"

The Reformation proclaims that salvation comes
not by our good works, nor by some ritual bestowed upon us.
Salvation comes:

"By Grace Alone, by Faith alone, by Scripture alone!"

The church is truly present wherever

The scripture is rightly preached and diligently heard.

Baptism and communion as the two Biblical Sacraments
are signs and seals
of God's never-ending covenant of grace
given not to a few priests alone, but to

The Priesthood of All Believers.

The flags of the universal church and of the nation remind us
the church is not to be cloistered away from the world,
but involved in the world.

**God's covenant people are called
to spread the love of God
for the salvation of the world.
To God alone be the glory!**

*Hymn #260, "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Andrew McDonald

Confession (The Scots Confession of 1560)

We confess the law of God
is most just, equal, holy and perfect,
commanding those things which,
when perfectly done can give life,
and bring people to eternal faithfulness.

**Yet we confess our nature is so
corrupt, weak, and imperfect,
that we are never able perfectly to fulfill
the works of the law.**

**Even after we are reborn in Christ,
if we say that we have no sin,
we deceive ourselves
and the truth is not in us.**

It is therefore essential for us
to trust in Christ Jesus,
in His righteousness and His atonement.

**Whoever brags about their extraordinary good works
boasts about something that does not exist,
and puts their trust in idolatry.**

Assurance of Pardon

God sees us in the body of His Son, Christ Jesus.
He accepts our imperfect obedience as if it were perfect.
God takes our works, which are stained with many stains,
and covers them with the righteousness of His Son.
Believe and share the Good News!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

In Jesus Christ, we are a new creation!

Celebration of Beulah Presbyterian Church's 170 Years

Offering

Offertory Music

*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

Scripture Genesis 17:1-8, 15-19, pg. 13

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Children of Laughter"

*Hymn #430, "Come Sing, O Church, In Joy"

Prayer Requests / Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

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.**

*Hymn #280, "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"
Blackhawk Pipers and Drums

*Charge / Benediction

Recessional "Scotland the Brave" Blackhawk Pipers and Drums

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

Thank you to:

Blackhawk Pipers Bill Good, Derek Grant, Beth Stone
Blackhawk Drums Sarah Grabowski
Candle Lighters Justine Elsubry, Kiera Schillinger
Bible Bill Green
Minister Dr. Andrew McDonald
Baptismal Font Jan Passini
Pitcher and Cups. Carla Zwicker, Jim Zwicker
Bread and Plate Jon Cross
PCUSA Constitution Tim Fritz
United States Flag Larry McDonald
World Church Flag Larry Manecke

You are all invited to stay for lunch. It is a catered meal. If you are able to make a donation to defray the cost, it would be appreciated! What is most important is that all those who are able to say, please join us at lunch and keep the celebration going!

Our special thanks to our guest musicians: Blackhawk Pipe and Drums. We are grateful to them for sharing their talents with us in worship today!

Also, a special welcome to our partner members of First Presbyterian Church, Coal Valley. And for the Coal Valley members: Remember the hotdog roast and outdoor festivities this afternoon at Scott and Mariann McWhinney's home beginning at 4:30pm.

Next Sunday is All Saint's Day. We will remember the saints of our church who have passed on since the Covid Lockdown. And at Beulah, we will give people the opportunity to lift up some "saints of our shared history."

Also, we will celebrate the dedication of our pledges for 2025. Pray about what God is empowering you to give in the coming year, make an estimation, and bring your pledge card. We will dedicate them in worship and celebrate our hopes for the coming year!



Beulah's 170th Celebration Is Today!

We lift up our history and heritage
and thank God for the gift of this church.
This is also Reformation Day in the Presbyterian Church.
We will be celebrating with bagpipes, drums, kilts,
delicious food, and other special activities.
A special welcome to the members of
Coal Valley's First Presbyterian Church
who are joining us for worship and lunch!

BEULAH CALENDAR

Sunday	October 27	10:00am	Worship / Reformation Day
		11:00am	Luncheon in Fellowship Hall in Celebration of Beulah's 170 th Year
Monday	October 28	7:00pm	Agape
Saturday	November 2	bedtime	Daylight Savings Time ends; turn your clocks back 1 hr
Sunday	November 3	8:00am	Deacon Meeting
		9:00am	Worship / Communion / Food Pantry Collection

This week's Home Study Lectionary Readings:

Ruth 1:1-18 Ps 146 Deut 6:1-9
Ps 119:1-8 Heb 9:11-14 Mark 12:28-34

Thank you to all who participated in the CROP walk by donating or walking.

Together, we contributed \$1,220 to the cause,
qualifying us for the Golden Shoe award for 9 years in a row.
Beulah is among the top 5 churches in the QC
in its giving for financial support of CROP walk!

Prayer List

Heather DeHaven Robert DeVries Martha Green Rick Haun
Family of Marian Miller Dylan Preston Family of Kenneth White

Missionary relatives and friends of our church family

Ted & Kim Treadway in Guatemala.
Please help us keep this "prayer list" current.

Please Remember These Members in Your Prayers

- Barbara Anderson
- Louise Green
- Joyce King
- Terry Vincent
- Jackie Williams

Peanut Brittle Fund Raiser

The Mission Committee will again be selling home-made peanut brittle
to raise funds for their 2024-2025 mission projects.
Proceeds will be used to purchase boots for our Heads to Toes project and to
provide funds for our other mission projects throughout the year.

The price is \$16 for a 1 lb. pkg, and \$9 for a ½ lb. pkg.
First delivery will be Nov 17 and the final one on Dec 15.
Please contact Wanda Cross to order your peanut brittle.

The Mission Committee has made the initial contact with
Orion and Sherrard Schools to learn the need from families
for winter boots for their school children.

Monetary donations for boots can be made to the Mission Committee.

Community FYI: All Veterans welcome! Sunday November 10, 2pm. - Orion United
Methodist Church's Activity Center. Dedication of new bricks. Speaker from the Rock
Island Arsenal. -Thank you, Orion Veteran Memorial Committee

*"For where two or three are gathered in my name,
I am there among them." Matthew 18:30*

"Don't run with bagpipes, you may get kilt"