

BEULAH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Dr. Andrew McDonald, Pastor

Cecil Ward, Liturgist

Ellen Cooke, Worship Music Leader

5th Sunday after Easter

Morning Worship
(Please sign attendance book.)

9:00 a.m.

May 18, 2025

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Holy God, Alpha and Omega, First and Last,
Your glory outshines all the lights in heaven and earth!
Pour out upon us Your Spirit
of faithful love and abundant compassion.

We rejoice in the splendor of Your works!

We wait in expectation

for the new heaven and the new earth

that You promise in the resurrection life of Jesus Christ!

*Hymn #446, “Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken”

*Confession of Faith **PCUSA Confession of 1967**

The reconciling work of Jesus

was the supreme crisis in the life of humankind.

His cross and resurrection become personal crisis

and present hope when the gospel is proclaimed and believed.

In this experience the Spirit

brings God's forgiveness to human beings,

moves them to respond in faith, repentance, and obedience,

and initiates the new life in Christ.

The new life takes shape in a community

**in which people know that God loves and accepts them
in spite of what they are.**

They therefore accept themselves and love others,

**knowing that no one has any ground on which to stand
except God's grace.**

Gloria Patri

Team Jesus

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

Scriptures **Acts 11:1-18**, pg. 130

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon **“St. Peter Dreams of Lobster Wrapped in Bacon”**

*Hymn #220, “All People That on Earth Do Dwell”

*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 #473, “For the Beauty of the Earth”

*Charge / Benediction

*Congregational Response

God bless Your church with strength! Wherever we may be.

Upbuild Your servants as we work in common ministry.

Urge us from fledgling faith to venture and to soar.

**Through open skies, to sing the praise of Christ whom we
adore.**

(Tune on page #418)

*Postlude

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

New Members

Beulah thrives through the strength of its's members. If you are ready to take the next step in your spiritual journey by joining the church, please talk with Dr. McDonald or call him at 402-480-3786. We will be welcoming a new member group in the very near future.

Today's Theme:

The Common Lectionary reading, shared by many churches across the globe today, is a story from the Book of Acts.

The people of faith come from a Jewish background, and they keep the Kosher rules found especially in Exodus and Leviticus. These rules help the Israelites remember their identity as God's people, set apart from other people by their standards of holiness.

Holiness rules forbid God's people from eating certain foods, such as lobster, shrimp, vulture, eagle, and pork. Peter has dream, and in which he is invited to a feast he had never dreamed of before.

BEULAH CALENDAR

Sunday	May 18	9:00am	Worship
Thursday	May 22	11:30am	Lunch @ O'Kitchen
Sunday	May 25	9:00am	Worship

It's graduation time! Do you know of a graduate, which you'd like to share with us from any level: junior high, high school, technical college, college, graduate degree? Please inform us so we can recognize the graduate and celebrate this achievement. Please email Nancy, nroberts822@gmail.com

Sherrard Junior High School

Justine Elsbury, daughter of Robert & Rita Elsbury
Granddaughter of Iona Schnowske

Orion High School

Svea Carlson, grandson of Jan and Denny Passini

Illinois State University

Noelle Carlson, granddaughter of Jan and Denny Passini. Noelle rec'd her degree in nursing and will be a NeoNatal nurse at Iowa City Hospital.

This week's Home Study Lectionary Readings:

Acts 16:9-15	Ps 67	or Deut 34:1-12	Ps 109:21-31
Rev 21:10-22:1:5	John 14:23-29	or John 5:1-9	

Please update your directory:

- **Lorenzo Galindo: 309-907-9037.**
- **Carol Schoening: carolschoening6@gmail.com**

Prayer List

Heather DeHaven
Cathy Morgan

Robert DeVries
Dylan Preston

Martha Green

Missionary relatives and friends of our church family

Ted & Kim Treadway in Guatemala.

Please Remember These Members in Your Prayers

- ♥ Barbara Anderson
- ♥ Louise Green
- ♥ Joyce King
- ♥ Don Paulsen
- ♥ Terry Vincent
- ♥ Jackie Williams

Community FYI:

- Memorial Day Service 202 - Monday May 26th, Memorial Day 10am - Veteran Memorial Site - Central Park - Orion.
Alternate location, bad weather - Orion United Methodist Church Activity Center.
Music by Orion Community Band and Orion Students.
Speaker from the Rock Island Arsenal
Dedication of new bricks.
Bring lawn chairs.
Thank you very much - Orion Veterans Memorial Committee
- Orion Community Vacation Bible School – June 23-27, 9am-noon @ St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Children age 4 by Sep 1, 2025 through those who are entering 6th grade in the fall. Pre-registration is REQUIRED: \$5 per child by May 31, 2025, \$10 per child June 1 – June 16. There are a few registration forms on the table in the airlock; otherwise, forms can be picked up at St. Pauls' Lutheran Church, Orion.

Our sins are great in number, but His love is greater! Amen.