

BEULAH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Dr. Andrew McDonald, Pastor
Dennis Morgan, Liturgist
Ellen Cooke, Worship Music Leader

2nd Sunday in Lent

Morning Worship 9:00 a.m.
(Please sign attendance book.)

March 1, 2026

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who created the heavens and the earth.
We trust that no matter what happens,
we belong to God.

**We shall not be shaken,
we shall not be moved,
for we are sheltered in God's almighty hand.
We lift our voices to give God our thanks and praise!**

*Hymn #488, "The God of Abraham Praise"

* Invitation to Confession

Let us confess our sins together:

**Lord, like Abraham and Sarah, You call us
to step out of our comfort zone,
and journey into Your land of promise.
We confess our desire to remain where we are.
We have settled into the house of complacency.
We settle for tiny dreams,
instead of trusting in Your vast promise.
We worship the idols of ease and convenience.
We have allowed immediate security to outweigh
Your present and coming kingdom.
We hoard Your blessing,
rather than opening ourselves
to be Your blessing to the world.
Teach us anew to walk by faith,
in Christ Jesus. Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

As Paul makes clear, God is love.
And nothing can separate us from the love of God.
That love is for each and every one of us.
And is for all of us together as the church.
Believe and share the Good News!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

In Jesus Christ, we are a new creation!

*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

Scripture Readings **Genesis 12:1-4a**, pg. 10
Isaiah 49:1-7, pg. 679

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon "If God Called, Would You Answer?"

*Hymn #281, "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Sacrament of Communion

* 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 (*insert*), "Shine, Jesus, Shine"

*Charge / Benediction

*Congregational Response (108 vs. 5) (Truro LM)

**Christ is alive, and comes to bring
Good News to this and every age.
Till earth and sky and ocean ring,
With joy, with justice, love and praise.**

*Postlude

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

Welcome to Beulah. Christ calls us into community, so we are glad to be with you today. Everyone is invited to have refreshments in the Narthex, which is right outside of the sanctuary. Stay for as little or as long as you like, but let someone know you are glad they are here! If you are interested in bringing some food to share, the sign up book is by the sanctuary door. "This week, a special thank you to our refreshment host, Mary Giannetti."

The Orion Area Lenten Service will be @ Augustana Lutheran Church this Friday, March 6 beginning with Worship @ noon, with a light lunch following.

If you are interested in being a Liturgist at worship, contact any of the following:
Donna Metzler, Bill Metzler, Tim Fritz, Cecil Ward, or Dennis Morgan.

**Looking for A Spiritual Exercise for Lent?
Watch the Netflix Documentary, "Join or Die."**

Lent is about growing in our faith, and walking with Jesus into God's future. In that regard, you might consider watching the Netflix Documentary, "Join or Die."

It is an Emmy-nominated documentary that tells the story of America's civic unraveling. Harvard's Robert Putnam saw 20 years ago that people were not bowling less, but they no longer joined bowling leagues. With the league came a lot of friendship and community building. As his book documents, Americans are now "Bowling Alone." But the phenomenon goes beyond bowling. Churches, civic organizations, dinner parties, these and more are in decline.

The result is that people no longer know each other as well, so there is a huge decline in public trust. As Putnam shows, without civic groups (including churches) democracy declines.

This movie does not answer all of America's problems. But it does raise awareness about how crucial community connections are for our nation to work.

Presbyterians have always been about issues of public life. In this Lenten season, this is an important documentary to watch. It shows one important part of why the church matters. I invite you to watch it. Invite a friend to do the same. Then talk about it together.

Sincerely,
Rev. Dr. Andrew McDonald

Beulah Calendar

Sunday	March 1	8:00am	Deacon Meeting
		9:00am	Worship / Communion / Food Pantry Collection / last day to collect hygiene products for Sherrard Food Pantry
Friday	March 6	noon	Lenten Service & Lunch @ Augustana Lutheran
Sunday	March 8	9:00am	Worship

Gluten-free bread is being served today at communion.

This week's Home Study Lectionary Readings

Ex 17:1-7 Ps 95 Rom 5:1-11 John 4:5-42

Upcoming **newsletter** deadline is Wednesday @ noon, March 11. Please send articles to Nancy nroberts822@gmail.com Thanks!

Prayer List

Heather DeHaven Robert DeVries Martha Green
Dylan Preston

Missionary relatives and friends of our church family

Ted & Kim Treadway in Guatemala.

Please Remember These Members in Your Prayers

- ♥ Louise Green, Avonlea Cottage
- ♥ Joyce King
- ♥ Don Paulsen
- ♥ Terry Vincent
- ♥ Jackie Williams

If you would like to bring cookies or such to share at **Post Worship Fellowship** in the Narthex after Worship, there is a sign-up book in the Narthex or talk to Bill or Donna Metzler. You do not need to provide juice, coffee, napkins or anything else, Worship takes care of those items.

The Sherrard Food Pantry asked Beulah Presbyterian Church to supply personal hygiene products for the months of March and April, 2026. Pick up a handout of a list of items needed. More items will be purchased by committee members with your cash donations. Checks should be made out to "Beulah Mission Committee".

Today is our last day to collect.

Thank you for supporting others from our community.

The Orion Area Food Pantry is seeking assistance providing families with holiday meals for Easter. The Food Pantry is planning to distribute holiday meals to 24 families this year. To help provide these meals the Food Pantry is requesting individuals or groups sign up to bring the items listed below to church so they can be combined and distributed to those in need. Monetary donations of \$36.45 may also be made to provide a meal for a family.

Since distribution of the Easter meals will be March 17, items should be returned to the church no later than March 15. Sign up today to help make the holiday happy and joyous for other families in our community.

Sunday, March 15 will be Green Dessert Sunday. Everyone is encouraged to bring their favorite green dessert to share, and those who don't care to bring a dessert - please come and sample the desserts.

This event will replace the post Worship cookies on that day.

Sunday, March 29 will be the annual Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast after Worship. Donations will be accepted and will go to the building maintenance and improvement fund. We will be serving pancakes and sausage. Anyone who would be willing to help flip pancakes please talk to Bill or Donna Metzler.