

BEULAH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Dr. Andrew McDonald, Pastor
Tim Fritz, Liturgist
Ellen Cooke, Worship Music Leader

3rd Sunday in Lent

Morning Worship 9:00 a.m. March 8, 2026
(Please sign attendance book.)

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Come, let us worship the Christ.

With His coming we are healed.

Through Him we are one in the Spirit.

Come, let us worship, offering Him voices and lives in
harmony with His will.

**We will give of ourselves in service to God and to His people.
Amen.**

*Hymn #419, “**How Clear is Our Vocation, Lord**”

*Prayer of Confession

Let us confess our sins together:

**We know Lord, that You accept us as we are, despite our
foolish ways. We know, too, that we more readily follow
the ways of the world than we follow Your ways. Forgive
our shortcomings, Lord and help us so that we may learn
to value Your wisdom over the wisdom of the world. Amen**

*Assurance of Pardon

Hear the Good News. In Jesus Christ the past is finished
and gone. Everything has become fresh and new.

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 Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading **Matthew 5:38-48**, pg. 5

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Walking the Second Mile”

*Hymn #343, “**Called as Partners in Christ's Service**”

* Prayers of the Community and 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 #422, “God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending”

*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, The Sides Family"

This week's Orion Area Lenten Service will be @ Mary Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church this Friday, March 13 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 8	9:00am	Worship
Tuesday	March 10	6:00pm	Building & Grounds Meeting
		6:30pm	Session
Wednesday	March 11	noon	Newsletter articles due
Friday	March 13	noon	Lenten Service & Lunch @ Mary Our Lady of Peace

Catholic Church

Sunday	March 15	9:00am	Worship / last day to donate to Orion's Easter Food Pantry
		after worship	Green Dessert Day

This week's Home Study Lectionary Readings

1 Sam 16:1-13 Ps 23 Eph 5:8-14 John 9:1-41

Upcoming **newsletter** deadline is this 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

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.

Easter Lilies The deacons are currently taking orders for Easter lilies which will adorn our sanctuary on Easter Sunday. They will cost \$15 each. To place an order, please contact Sherrill Hills, listing in whose memory each plant has been purchased. **Order deadline is March 26th.**

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.

April 2, Maundy Thursday Service & Potluck at Coal Valley Presbyterian Church

- 6:00pm Potluck Meal – Plan to attend – Sign-up sheet in Coffee area / signup deadline March 22.
Food Options – Salad, Vegetable, Meat or Main Dish, or Dessert
- 7:00pm Worship Service

Thank you to everyone at Beulah for the \$190 cash and hygiene products you donated for Sherrard Food Pantry for March and April. Operation Tiger (formerly Tiger Closet) also received 10 of each of the four hygiene products because of Beulah's generosity. Sherrard Community sent a BIG thank you and they very much appreciated the items donated. They will put them to good use. Thank you Beulah!

2026 Annual Per Capita Presbytery Fee

Each year the Presbytery assesses the church a fee per member. For 2026, the Per Capita Fee is \$39.00. The church pays the Presbytery this fee based on the number of members. We are requesting each member to add \$39.00 to their church giving to cover this cost. *(This amount is not included in your 2026 Pledge.)*

"The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love." (Psalm 103:8)

One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) Offering – Collected on Easter Sunday, April 5

What does the One Great Hour of Sharing Do?

- 1. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (32% of your gifts)**
 - Works alongside communities as they recover and find hope after the devastation of natural or human-caused disasters, and support for refugees.
- 2. Presbyterian Hunger Program (36% of your gifts)**
 - Takes action to alleviate hunger, care for creation, and the systemic causes of poverty so all may be fed.
- 3. Self-Development of People (32% of your gifts)**
 - Invests in communities responding to their experiences of oppression, poverty and injustice along with educating Presbyterians about the impact of these issues.

One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) Offering Instructions

- *This Offering shall be collected on Easter Sunday, April 20 (Special envelopes shall be provided in the Easter Bulletin).*
 - **Cash Contributions** - *If your contribution is cash, it is important to use the OGHS envelopes. The **OGHS Offering envelope** will ensure your contribution will go to the **OGHS Offering** rather than the General Church Fund.*
 - **Check Contributions** - *If your contribution is by check, it is important to designate **OGHS Offering** in the memo field. The **OGHS Offering** in the memo field will ensure your contribution will go to the **OGHS Offering** rather than the General Church Fund.*
- *Thank you in advance for your OGHS donations (History: 2025 - \$2,035; 2024 - \$1,330; 2023 - \$1,370; 2022 - \$811; 2021 - \$727; 2020 - \$420; 2019 - \$397).*