

**BEULAH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Rev. Dr. Andrew McDonald, Pastor

Cecil Ward, Liturgist

Ellen Cooke, Worship Music Leader

Resurrection of the Lord / Easter Sunday

Morning Worship

9:00 a.m.

April 5, 2026

*(Please sign attendance book.)*

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

After the Sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning,  
Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb.  
And suddenly there was a great earthquake,  
for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven,  
came and rolled back the stone and sat on it.

**His appearance was like lightning and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men.**

But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid,  
for I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified.

He is not here, for he has been raised."

The Lord is risen!

**THE LORD IS RISEN INDEED!**

\*Hymn #123, "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

\*The Apostle's Creed

**I Believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator 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, died and was buried; he descended into hell;  
on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended  
into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;  
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the  
communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting. Amen.**

\*Gloria Patri

Team Jesus

One Great Hour of Sharing 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 28**, pg. 33

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

**"Easter is an Experience!"**

\*Hymn 118, "The Day of Resurrection!"

Sacrament of Baptism

Today we celebrate the baptism Paxton James Zwicker, son of  
Trent and Kelsey Zwicker.

**"Baptized in Water"**

Carla Zwicker

Sacrament of Communion

\*Hymn #104, "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!"

\*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.*

*Jesus Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!*

**Welcome to Beulah!**

Christ calls us into community, so we are glad to be with you today. Everyone is invited to have refreshments, which are in the Fellowship Hall after worship.

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 Wanda Cross."

**Sunday: April 12, 2026 - Rev. Ann Schwartz in the Pulpit**

Beulah is fortunate to have Rev. Ann Schwartz preach on Sunday, April 12. Who is Rev. Ann Schwartz?

She is the Lead Presbyter of the Presbytery of Great Rivers a position she has held since June 2023. When she came to Presbytery of Great Rivers, she had over 24 years of ministry experience within the Synod of Lincoln Trails, having previously served as Pastor/Head of Staff at First Presbyterian Church in Danville, Illinois. Rev. Ann Schwartz has announced her resignation, effective June 1, 2026, to retire. She has been a great leader for the Presbytery of Great Rivers, so we need to welcome her and thank her for the many years of dedicated service. Beulah is one of 82 congregations in the Presbytery of Great Rivers.

**New Members**

Beulah thrives through the strength of its members. If you are ready to take the next step in your spiritual journey by joining the church, please talk with Dr. McDonald.

We will be welcoming a new member group in the very near future.

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 item.

**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.

**Easter Lilies**

**Thank you to those who have given lilies in memory of loved ones.**

**Donor:**

- Dennis Morgan
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- Tim & Lynn Fritz
- Roger Mixer
- Deb McBride
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- Bill & Donna Metzler
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- Jim & Carla Zwicker
- Jon & Wanda Cross

**In Whose Memory:**

- Cathy Morgan
- Betty & Duane Morgan
- Loved Ones
- Sherrill Mixer
- Bill McBride & Baby Larry
- Betty & Duane Morgan
- Cathy Morgan
- Loved Ones
- Loved Ones
- Maynard & Dorothy Zwicker
- Loved Ones

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**Beulah Calendar**

Sunday	April 5	9:00am	Easter Sunday Worship / Communion / Food Pantry Collection / One Great Hour of Sharing Offering
Sunday	April 12	8:00am	Deacon Meeting
		9:00am	Worship

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**Prayer List**

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| Heather DeHaven | Robert DeVries | Martha Green |
| Dylan Preston   |                |              |

**Missionary relatives and friends of our church family**

Ted & Kim Treadway in Guatemala.

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**Please Remember These Members in Your Prayers**

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

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**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.)*

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**This week's Home Study Lectionary Readings**

Acts 2:14a, 22-32 Ps 16 or Ex 15:1-11 Ps 111  
1 Pet 1:3-9 John 20:19-31

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**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 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 oppression, poverty and injustice along with educating Presbyterians about 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 gift will go to the **OGHS Offering** rather than the General Fund.*
  - **Check Contributions** - *If your contribution is by check, it is important to designate **OGHS Offering** in the memo field. This 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).*

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**Hosta Mania Trade Day - May 17!!**

Bring your hostas to church. It'll be fun to see how many different varieties of hostas will be on display for trade!!