

BEULAH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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21st Sunday after Pentecost

Morning Worship 9:00 a.m. October 18, 2026

Prelude Ensemble

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Creating God, who brought us into this world, You breathed
Your Spirit into us and formed us in Your likeness.

**We give You thanks for the strong cords of love that bind us to
You and nourish us in this community You have created.**

You are with us and in us. We are reminded that we are not
alone on this journey but share in community.

We pray for Your continued presence as we practice Sabbath.

*Hymn # 559, “**We Gather Together**”

*Prayer of Confession

**God, our lives can be so busy. We learned as children to stop,
look, and listen before we cross a busy street. You have invited
us to cross over into a Sabbath place of rest and trust. This is
the one journey that really matters. It is the journey into the
place of stillness that is deep within us. We know that to reach
that place is to be at home with You and to fail to reach it is to
remain stuck in our restlessness. Precious God, take our
hands. Guide us and love us, we pray.**

*Assurance of Pardon

There are Sabbath ponds: sweet, safe, calm holding places
where all kinds of life find refuge. May the waters of our life
find refuge in earth’s ponds where we know we are loved and
accepted and can let the gentle currents wash away the
judgement.

In Christ we are forgiven people. Thanks be to God!

*Gloria Patri

Team Jesus

Offering / Offertory Music Ensemble

*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 Readings **Isaiah 43:1, 2, 4**, pg. 672

John 14:26-31, pg. 109

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“The Pause that Refreshes”

*Hymn # 341, “**Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!**”

* 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 # 276, “**Great Is Thy Faithfulness**”

*Charge / Benediction

*Congregational Response # 299, “**Amen, Amen**”

Postlude Ensemble

**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 enjoy refreshments in the Narthex 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 goodies to share, the sign-up book is by the sanctuary door. This week, a special thank you to our hostesses, the Sides Family.

**Thank you to Sheila Sheer, Lay Pastor,
for leading us in Worship this morning!**

Next Sunday, October 25 – Reformation Day



On the last Sunday of October, we celebrate the birth of the Protestant church. **As Presbyterians, our heritage goes back to Scotland.** Our celebration will include bagpipers, kilts, people wearing Scottish plaids. This year we will have Scottish

inspired food for lunch. And for the children, we will have Highland Games for Kids on the lawn. Join us, bring a friend, wear plaid, wear a kilt, join in a wonderful celebration!



In preparation:

Thank you to those who have agreed to help Cecil Ward with **Highland Games** for young kids. What a grand day for our youth to learn about our heritage!

Any questions about the games, please call Cecil 363-210-0338 or email him at cecilward@hotmail.com or ocular30mm@yahoo.com

Beulah Calendar

Sunday	October 18	9:00am	Worship
Thursday	October 22	11:30am	Lunch @ Harkey's, Orion
Sunday	October 25	9:00am	Worship / Reformation Day
Monday	October 26	1:00pm	Agape



Amazon wish list for the nursery / toddler room at Beulah as we are in the process of refreshing that room. Beulah is in a Kairos moment for our kids! We are updating the children's room. If you would like to show your support, click this QR code to see the new toys and games we'd like to have for the kids.

Thank you to everyone involved in another successful Apple Pie Day!

This year, 106 pies were made with a profit of \$1,530. This money will be donated to 10 worthy causes in our area to support the vision Beulah Church has to care for others. **We work well as a team!**

Thanks to all who contributed and participated in the **CROP Walk** this year held on October 4. With all dressed in bright orange t-shirts, we had 26 walkers, 1 baby, and 2 dogs participate this year in the walk across the I-74 bridge. We drew attention to the cause. Thanks to your generosity, we exceeded last years' contributions by collecting \$1,371 to donate to the CROP organization and a collection of Peanut Butter and Jelly that will be distributed to QC area food pantries.

Thanks for making this another successful year!

Prayer List

Lindsey Breiby	Rich Cox	Robert DeVries	Martha Green
Don Paulsen	Dylan Preston	Terry Vincent	Jackie Williams

This week's Home Study Lectionary Readings

Deut 34:1-12	Ps 90:1-6, 13-17	Lev 19:1-2, 15-18
Ps 1	1 Thess 2:1-8	Matt 22:34-46