

November 16, 2025

Worship Service 10:15 a.m.

We invite you to rest here in the arms of the divine...

...to feel the connection, to feel the belonging,

to feel that you have a place among us. Because you do! You belong in our story.

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ken Maurer

Good morning and welcome to Coleman Memorial Chapel! We are glad you have chosen to join us today as we have worship and time for fellowship. I open our service with the following scripture from Psalm 98:1, "O sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things. His right hand and His holy arm have gotten Him victory."

PRELUDE & LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

Rev. Sally Ott

"His Name is Wonderful"

Jean Witmer, Soloist

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Isaiah 12)

Shout aloud and sing for joy,

From the highest peaks to the deepest caverns.

Should aloud and sing for joy,

From the tiniest creatures to the greatest herds.

Should aloud and sing for joy,

In the midst of our joys and our sorrows.

Sing praises to the Lord as we worship His glorious creation!

*OPENING HYMN

"How Firm a Foundation"

Blue #361

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Holy God, we thank You and praise You for Your glorious creation. We confess that we are people of fear, letting anxiety rule our days and worry our nights. Distracted by too much information, we live in constant tension. Forgive us, O Lord, for ignoring Your command to not be afraid. Calm our hearts, settle our stomachs, and help us to renew our ability to find comfort in Your promises. Together we pray in the name of our firm foundation, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Please take a moment for private prayer to make your own confession.

*Please stand if you are able.

Please mute your phone.

No food in the sanctuary.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, beloved of God, we are brought from death into new life in Jesus Christ. He is at the right hand of God, gaining our forgiveness and assuring our redemption. Thanks be to God for this good news! And let everyone say...**Amen!**

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD & PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

We do not pass the plate for collection, instead a plate may be found on the front table.

*DOXOLOGY

Blue #592, Green #625

"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen."

SPECIAL MUSIC "My Tribute"

Jean Witmer & Bruce Ott

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Prayer Response

"Hear our prayer O Lord."

Green #614

Hear our prayer O Lord.

Incline Your ear to us, and grant us Your peace." Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Isaiah 65:17-25

HYMN (seated)

"My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

Blue #379

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 21:5-19

SERMON: Life-giving Witness to Hope

Pastor Karen

*CLOSING HYMN

"We're Marching to Zion"

Green #555

*BENEDICTION

"God be with you 'till we meet again"

Green #602

"By His counsel's guide, up-hold you, with His sheep securely fold you, God be with you 'till we meet again. 'Till we meet, 'Till we meet, 'Till we meet at Jesus' feet, 'Till we meet, 'Till we meet, God be with you 'till we meet again."

For general questions, contact a church council member (posted bulletin board).
For church grounds maintenance requests, contact Ken Maurer.
For church building maintenance requests, contact Bosh Leshner.
Covenant Pastor: Rev. Karen S. Bachman; email: PastorK.CMC1@gmail.com
Music Team: Rev. Sally Ott, Bruce Ott, Esther Mefferd, and Ryan Hoover.

OUR PRAYERS

Please contact any board member or the pastor if you wish to add to this list. In our prayers today and your prayers this week, please remember the following:

- (congregation's requests)
- People fleeing from violence and war, occupation, and oppression; as we pray for our enemies.
- Our church mission and the congregation that supports it.
- Our country and all who live, work, and serve here and abroad.
- Our "hometown heroes" and other volunteers who care for special members of our community and those who are sick.
- Our Coleman Memorial Chapel family who cannot be here with us.
- Our leaders – local, state, and national – that they listen to the Holy Spirit.

***** UPCOMING EVENTS *****

Decorate Church for Christmas November 23 after Potluck lunch.

Bring Bazaar Baskets to Church by November 30, 2025

Set up for Bazaar December 4 & 5, 10:00 a.m.

Christmas Bazaar December 6, 2025 – 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Blue Christmas Service December 7, 2025, 3:00 p.m. at the Groff Funeral Home (sponsored by various Lancaster churches). See the Ott's for details.

Christmas Candlelight Service December 21, 2025, 7:00 p.m. (reservations required – see Doris Hinds)

Covenant Renewal Service January 4, 2026

Annual Congregational Meeting – January date TBD.

In preparation for the Annual Meeting, the Nominating Committee (Roger Poorman, Pastor Karen, and Bill Rouse) will be approaching people to consider serving the church by accepting a position on the church council. Please feel free to reach out to them with your nominations (and you may nominate yourself).

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In Fellowship with the Presbytery of Donegal,
The Presbyterian Church (USA)

Traditional Worship 10:15 a.m.
Coffee Fellowship: Before and after the service.

