

OLD UNION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Pastor

Rev. Dr. Peter de Vries

Choir Director/Organist

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

October 24, 2021

PRELUDE (Time for preparation)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 136:1-9, 26

*HYMN "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" #8

*CONFESSION OF SIN (Unison): "Father God, you lead us on paths of righteousness for your name's sake, but we refuse to follow. You have sent your Spirit to fill us, but we erect barriers to keep him out. You have come to live with us, but we abandon you. Your will for us is better than any we could imagine for ourselves, but we ignore it. We have created the empty longing we feel inside ourselves because we have cut ourselves off from you. In the name Jesus Christ, heal us and set us free. Amen."

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON 1 Peter 2:24-25

*GLORIA PATRI (Song of Praise) #622

SPECIAL MUSIC "A Change in My Life"

OLD TESTAMENT (Unison): Hosea 2:14-20

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Acts 26:9-18

CHILDREN'S TIME (Children dismissed to Junior Church)

*HYMN "Victory in Jesus" #473

SERMON "God Speaks: Do You Listen?"

*HYMN "Softly and Tenderly" #326

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

TIME FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (back cover of hymnal)

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY (Song of Dedication) #625

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*APOSTLES CREED (back cover of hymnal)

*BENEDICTION (Closing Blessing) Isaiah 50:10
(Response: "...And build each other up.")

*CLOSING SONG "How Majestic Is Your Name" #30

(*) If you are able, please stand.

Special Prayers of Concern:

Bonnie S.

Louise S.

Carol F.

Peggy M.

Joan T.

Gerry C.

Howard B.

Dolly K.

Rose F.

Geri C.

Josh H.

Mission Co-Workers:

Ellen Smith, Germany/Russia/Belarus

Dennis and Maribel Smith, Argentina/South America

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you are not vaccinated and have not had COVID, please wear a mask when indoors.

Sue C will lead this morning's Scripture reading.

The Women's Association will meet tomorrow at 7:00.

The pastor will be on vacation for a week, beginning on Wednesday.

We've been invited to prepare and serve a meal one Wednesday a month for the Butler churches' community dinner program. Please sign up in the lobby if you're interested.

Old Union's annual congregational meeting will be held after worship on November 14. In addition to electing officers, receiving financial reports, and voting on the pastor's terms of call for 2022, we will also vote to change the by-laws to reduce the size of our board of deacons from 9 to 6.

Collection bins in the lobby:

Butler High School: personal hygiene and feminine products

Lighthouse: shopping bags.

The Evans City Food Cupboard is need of Christmas cookies, candy and treats for the month of November.

Military:

Jeremy H.

Matthew David M.

Justin T.

Scott F.

Frank D.

Michael S.

Glen P.

Will B.

Jacob H.

Christian C.

Ryan W.

Hunter M.

Christopher H.

Arthur B.

Kevin E.

Danner C.

Daniel B.

Spencer K.