



THE
KINGDOM
OF HEAVEN

MATTHEW 13

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November 30, 2025 | 10:45am

SERVICE OF WORSHIP TO THE GOD OF EVERY GENERATION

Let us prevent becoming a worthless generation by trusting again in Christ.

Let us worship God, the same God worshiped by a thousand generations.

CALL TO WORSHIP – Psalm 79:13

“But we your people, the sheep of your pasture, will give thanks to you forever; from generation to generation, we will recount your praise.”

*HYMNS OF ADORATION “Lord, Most High”

“”My Soul, Bless the Lord! (Psalm 104, vv. 1, 15-17)

TRINITY PSALTER HYMNAL 104B

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

NEW TESTAMENT READING 2 Peter 3:8-13 (p.1300)

CONFESSION OF SIN

OLD TESTAMENT READING Jonah 4:1–11 (p.984)

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

*HYMN OF ASSURANCE “The Lord Is My Salvation”

RENEWAL BY CONFESSION OF FAITH – Joshua 24:15

Leader: “And if it is evil in your eyes to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell.

People: “But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.”

PRAISES AND REQUESTS

PRAYER FOR COVENANT PARENTS AND COVENANT CHILDREN

PASTORAL PRAYER

WORSHIP WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*SCRIPTURE READING **Matthew 12:38–42** (p.1039)

**PRAYER OF ENLIGHTENMENT

MESSAGE **The Sign of Jonah**

*HYMNS OF FAITH “Faith of Our Fathers” (No. 133)

BENEDICTION

*HYMN OF SENDING “Faith of Our Fathers” (v3)

*Please stand as you are able

**Children's worship is available age 4 through 1st grade

November 30, 2025

"Jesus Christ for Western Beaver County"

Songs for Worship

1 | Lord Most High

From the ends of the earth (Echo)

From the depths of the sea (Echo)
From the heights of the heavens (Echo)
Your name be praised.

From the hearts of the weak (Echo)

From the shouts of the strong (Echo)
From the lips of all people (Echo)
This song we raise, LORD.

Chorus:

**Throughout the endless ages
You will be crowned with praises
Lord Most High
Exalted in every nation,
Sovereign of all creation,
Lord Most High
Be magnified.**

(REPEAT whole song)

2| My Soul, Bless the Lord (TPH No.104B)

1. My soul, bless the Lord! My God, you are great!

With honor arrayed, majestic in state,
You cover yourself with a garment of light,
And stretch out the sky as a curtain by night.

15. O may the Lord's glory evermore stand!

The Lord shall enjoy the works of his hand.
He looks on the earth and it trembles in fear;
He touches the mountains, the smoke then appears.

16. As long as I live, the Lord I will praise;

To God I will sing through all of my days.
May my meditation be pleasing to him;
My heart in the Lord then with gladness will brim.

17. Let wicked ones be consumed from the earth.

May sinners exist no longer henceforth.
My soul, bless the Lord! May his name be adored!
O sing hallelujah! Give praise to the Lord!

5| Faith of Our Fathers

3. Faith of our fathers, we will love

Both friend and foe in all our strife;
And preach thee too, as love knows how,
By kindly words and virtuous life.

**Chorus: Faith of our fathers, holy faith,
We will be true to Thee till death!**

3 | The Lord is My Salvation

1. The grace of God has reached for me.

And pulled me from the raging sea.
And I am safe on this solid ground.
The Lord is my salvation.

2. I will not fear when darkness falls.

His strength will help me scale these walls.
I'll see the dawn of the rising sun.
The Lord is my salvation. **Chorus**

Chorus

**Who is like the Lord our God?
Strong to save, faithful in love.
My debt is paid and the vict'ry won
The Lord is my salvation!**

3. My hope is hidden in the Lord

He flow'rs each promise of His word.
When winter fades, I know spring will come.
The Lord is my salvation.

4. In times of waiting times of need

When I know loss, when I am weak.
I know His grace will renew these days
The Lord is my salvation. **Chorus**

5. And when I reach the final day

He will not leave me in the grave
But I will rise, He will call me home.
The Lord is my salvation. **Chorus then bridge**

Bridge

**Glory be to God the Father
Glory be to God the Son
Glory be to God the Spirit
The Lord is our salvation!
The Lord is our salvation!**

4| Faith of Our Fathers (No.133)

1. Faith of our fathers, living still

In spite of dungeon, fire and sword.
O how our hearts beat high with joy
Where'er we hear that glorious word!

**Chorus: Faith of our fathers, holy faith,
We will be true to Thee till death!**

2. Our fathers, chained in prisons dark,

Were still in heart and conscience free;
How sweet would be their children's fate
If they, like them, could die for Thee! **Chorus**

3. Faith of our fathers, we will love

Both friend and foe in all our strife;
And preach thee too, as love knows how,
By kindly words and virtuous life. **Chorus**

This Week

Welcome

Welcome to worship. We are pleased you chose to worship with us today. If you have any questions about God, the Bible, or our church, or would just like to say hello, please talk with Pastor Jeff.

Nursery is available. See or call JoAnna with any questions. 724-601-7153.

- **Children's Worship**, led by Edie Chaffee & Helper Grant Miller

The Lord's Day

9:30am – Sunday Education Hour

Sunday School opens at 9:30am in the sanctuary.

Sunday School Superintendent: Kara Masters

Kids and Youth Classes

Toddlers thru K: Room LL 203 Marie Fowler,
Diane Justice & Marci Thoman

1st thru 3rd: Room LL204 - Charity teVelde
& Jodi Billheimer

4th thru 5th: Room LL304 Bre Hooks
& JoAnna Zehnder

6th thru 8th: Basement Library – Heidi Shepler

9th thru 12th: Youth Room – with Ethan Masters & Adults

Adult Classes

Conversational Christianity with Jeff Lyden | **Fellowship Hall**

Reformation History with Ethan Masters | **Youth Room**

Communicant's Class (6th-12th grade) with Pastor Jeff |
Conference Room (by kitchen)

Sunday Worship

10:45am Morning Worship – Pastor Jeff will preach from Matthew 12:38-42, "The Sign of Jonah." Jesus laments this "evil generation" (v39,42 & 45). Why? Let us be a generation that Jesus loves, and not one that He laments. For someone greater than Jonah and Solomon is here.

Last Small Groups of Fall

- (1) **Lyden Group** (Ohioville, **directly after worship**) meets for hot lunch and study at Jeff and Linda's home: 121 Hummel Dr. Industry, PA 15052
- (2) **D'Angelo Group** (Darlington, **5pm**) meets for dinner then Bible Study at Dave and Linda's home: 618 Cannelton Rd, Darlington 16115.
- (3) **Raines Group** (Chippewa, **6pm**) meets at Ric and Dee Dee's home: 220 Hickory Dr. 15010.

Monday

9am Church Christmas Decorating - Anyone who would like to help decorate the church for Christmas can meet us at the church to lend a hand.

10am Bowling – at Walnut Lanes

11am–closing – 'Dining to donate' – Help support Child Evangelism Fellowship of Beaver County by eating. Dine at Applebee's (Monaca or Chippewa), pick up a flyer in the vestibule. And 15% will be donated to CEF!

6:30pm Session Meeting

Tuesday

7pm Men's Bible Study

Wednesday

10am Ladies Bible Study – We will be doing a review of the study "Priorities: Tyranny of the Urgent". Baby sitting available.

Covenant Kids, The ROCK and Prayer & Study will not meet this week due to the Congregational Meeting. We will resume on December 10.

Thursday

3pm Fairview GNC – We meet at Fairview Elementary School in the cafeteria.

Next Sunday

9:30am Sunday Education Hour – Join us for the opening in the sanctuary, before heading to class.

10:45am First Advent Morning Worship – Traditions, warm nights, Christmas music, even the loss of family members reminds us: The Christmas season and "family" are tightly linked. But sometimes family breaks down. Or becomes suffocating. Loss can be paralyzing. Or worst of all, family can lead a person away from Christ. But what does the **Bible** say about family? Pastor Jeff will preach an important topical message on Family that ends in Matthew 12:43-50: "Jesus and Family." Also: Advent begins.

6pm Bread and Cup Communion Worship Service - This special communion service will focus on the "Communion" of the Lord's Supper. This service will be held in the Fellowship Hall, with chairs situated around the communion table in the middle. In this we remember the Last Supper, when Christ's disciples gathered round a table, seeing one another, listening to Jesus. Elements of the service will point to **the unity** believers have in Christ. Come, worship, take the Lord's Supper, and feed on Christ.

Congregational Announcements

Congregational Meeting – Wednesday, Dec. 3 at 6:30pm.

All members are urged to attend the annual congregational meeting. There, you will have the opportunity to nominate men for elder (1 Timothy 3:1-7) and deacon (1 Timothy 3:8-13). Please read those verses and pray about who reflects its qualifications. There will be other committees to vote on, along with affirming the 2026 Budget. Committees will report on their activities for the past year and their vision for the coming year.

Adult Education: Grasping Jesus' First Advent will be the Adult Class for the month of December. We will be digging into the details of Jesus' first coming into this world. Hopefully, to find new personal meaning. May the wonder of Jesus birth bring special joy and worship for each of us; despite perhaps a difficult year for you that has dramatically changed your life. Make the most of this hour on Sunday morning to uplift your soul to prepare you for the worship service and a Christmas that will surprise you. Pastor Ric will be the guide for this 4 week advent study.

Angel Tree – The Fairview Missions Committee invites you to bless others this Christmas season by participating in our Angel Tree Project. We help children and their caregivers who live in the Midland area whose loved one is incarcerated. *Sunday, December 7.* Pick up an angel, read about the need. Purchase a toy and clothing item listed on the card for the child and purchase a personal hygiene item for the caregiver. All gifts must be wrapped and placed under the tree by December 21. If you'd like the blessing of delivering the gifts to families in our area on December 21, please notify the Missions Committee.

Ladies Christmas Craft Night – *Mon., Dec. 8th 6:30pm – 8:30pm* The ladies will be having a Christmas Craft Night here at the church. There will be a variety of simple crafts or more complex crafts to do. Come join us for this fun with fellowship evening and wear your Christmas sweaters and please bring a snack to share and a \$3 donation to cover cost of supplies.

The ROCK Christmas Party - *Wed. December 10th 6:30pm* There will be games, fun a fellowship and bring a white elephant gift (\$5 limit) There will be a coffee bar & cookies provided.

Young In Heart Christmas Party – *Thursday, December 11th at 11am.* A Christmas Celebration will be our focus for the December meeting of the Young In Heart. We will study the passages of Christ's birth and skip I Samuel for this month in our chapter-by-chapter study of the Bible. We plan to take time to share favorite Christmas memories and traditions to celebrate the joys of the past. We are also planning a special Christmas activity. Those who enjoy cooking and baking, bring your favorite Christmas foods and desserts to share. If you haven't been to Young In Heart before, this is a good time to give it a try. Young In Heart welcomes everyone 50 and up, but we don't check birth certificates.

Our Daily Bread Devotional for the months of December, January, and February is available on the missions table.

Cookie Outreach. The outreach committee would like some volunteers to make 4 dozen cookies for the Fairview Grange Community Christmas Tree Lighting. They would also like some event servers to help out too. If interested please sign up in the vestibule. Please drop off cookies in the kitchen Sunday, November 30th.

Snow Camp 2026, 'Merica "For freedom Christ has set us free" for youth in 6th to 12th grade.

* When: February 13-15, 2026

* Where: Laurelville Retreat Center

Camper registration

<https://ascensionpresbytery.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/3130423>

We are in need of counselors. About 4 female and 1 male. if you would like to, register at this link <https://ascensionpresbytery.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/3130423>

YA-DULT Retreat 2026 – "A Weekend at the Movies" Feb. 27- March 1. At Laurelville Retreat Center. For 18-30(ish). Scan the QR code that is on the poster in the kitchen for more info. Two Speakers, team-teaching: Pastors Jeff Zehnder and Jon Price (Covenant Community).

Fairview Food Pantry – For December, we would like to restock the shelves with pretty much everything. Soups, Chunky soups, Crackers, Syrup, Spaghetti Sauce, Pasta, Oatmeal Packets, Sloppy Joe mix, Canned Ravioli, Ramen Noodle, etc.

Worship Helpers

Worship Leader.....	Mark Oosting
Audio-Visual	Jon Forton & Paul Hardesty
Musicians.....	Linda D'Angelo, Josiah Forton Amy Hardesty, Kara Masters & Josh Sullivan
Vocalist.....	Hannah Forton & Lindsey Hollabaugh
Children's Worship.....	Edie Chaffee & Grant Miller
Nursery.....	Kristine & Laura Masters
Greeters.....	Jeff & Linda Lyden
Ushers	Doug Masters, Noah Oosting Micah Oosting & Rosh Raines

Next Week's Helpers

Worship Leader	Scott Shepler
Audio-Visual.....	Paul Hardesty & Grace Forton
Musicians.....	Linda D'Angelo, Josiah Forton Kara Masters & Josh Sullivan
Vocalist.....	Hannah Forton
Nursery.....	Joanna & Anna Zehnder & Jamie Rhodes
Greeters.....	Jason & Alissia Dudek
Ushers.....	Brad Billheimer, Gideon te Velde Josiah te Velde & William Phillips

Sermon Notes

"The Sign of Jonah"

Matthew 12:38-42 (p.1039)

Prayers & Praises

"Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep." (Romans 12:15)

"Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ." (Galatians 6:2)

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