

*Silent Prayer of Confession

*Assurance of Pardon

L: Hear the good news: God does not hide His face from us. Even when we wander, God is our stronghold and our light. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

P: Thanks be to God!

*Gloria Patri

Passing of the Peace

“Good Morning!”

Anthem *The One and Only God*

Chancel Choir

Time With The Children followed by Sunday School until 11:30

Morning Prayer, the Lord’s Prayer, and Prayer Response

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin

against us; and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Readings: *Exodus 10:21-29; Acts 9:1-31 (ESV)*

Song of Praise #231 *Arise, Your Light Is Come!*

Sermon **“Light Out of the Darkness”**

Frank Kordalski, Jr., Guest Speaker

The Apostles’ Creed

*Affirmation of Faith

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

*Doxology #34 *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

*Prayer of Dedication

(“Welcome to Linway” Cards will be collected by Deacons.)

*Closing Hymn #428

When Peace Like a River

*Charge and Benediction

*Congregational Response

Go With God

*Postlude

***Indicates those who are able to please stand**

Video Recording: Portions of today’s 10:30 service will be recorded & posted to the Linway Facebook Page and website Monday evening at www.LinwayChurch.org



Today’s Chancel Flowers: are given to the glory of our Lord by Lila and Andy Sedlak in loving memory of Lila’s grandparents, Lila and Louis Moon.

If you would like to order flowers for the Chancel, please use a blue order form on the table near the church entrance.

Our Daily Bread March Edition Has Arrived! Pick up your free copy of this daily devotional on the table as you exit.



Contemporary Worship Service

9:15 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

Invocation

*Praise Song #428 *When Peace Like a River*

*Passing Of The Peace

Prayers of the People & the Lord’s Prayer

Praise Song: *Even Still (Light in the Valley)*

Based on Psalm 23

Scripture Readings

Exodus 10:21-29; Acts 9:1-31 (ESV)

Message: Frank Kordalski, Jr., Guest Speaker

“Light Out of the Darkness”

*Praise Song: *Blessed Be Your Name*

Final Challenge and Depart to Serve

***Indicates those who are able to please stand**

When attending the 9:15 worship service, please:

- complete a “Welcome to Linway” Card and place it in the basket when exiting the Sanctuary.
- place any offering in the box when exiting the Sanctuary.
- use the restroom located out the front left Sanctuary door and then down the hallway.

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Please use our East Entrance to visit during the week.

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June 1, 1897—June 1, 2025

“Come, grow your faith in Jesus Christ with us.”



The purpose of Linway United Presbyterian Church is to joyfully worship and serve the mission and ministry of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Sun., March 8, 2026

The Third Sunday of Lent

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Stretch out your hand toward heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, a darkness to be felt.” So Moses stretched out his hand toward heaven, and there was pitch darkness in all the land of Egypt three days... but all the people of Israel had light where they lived.

~ Exodus 10: 21-23 (ESV)

Traditional Worship Service
10:30 a.m.

*Indicates those who are able to please stand

Prelude George Hawkins
Welcome and Announcements Judy Augustin, Liturgist
Gathering Prayer: *(Inspired by 2 Cor 4:6 & 1 John 1:5-7)*

(In Unison): **Gracious God, we are continuing on this journey through the season of Lent, traveling from the shadows of darkness into the light of Your grace. As we journey through this wilderness, guide us away from the unfruitful works of darkness and toward the light of Christ, which cleanses us from all sin. Open our eyes to your glory, and prepare our hearts to behold the resurrection. In the name of Jesus Christ, the Light of the World, Amen.**

Call To Worship
L: The Lord is our light and our salvation; whom shall we fear?
P: The Lord is the stronghold of our lives; of whom shall we be afraid?

L: God is our shelter in the day of trouble and a high rock under our feet.
P: One thing we ask of the Lord: to live in God's house and behold the beauty of the Lord.

L: Like a hen gathering her brood under her wings, God yearns to protect and comfort us.
P: We come seeking that divine embrace; we come to walk the path of the cross.

L: Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage.
P: We will wait for the Lord. Let us worship God!

*Hymn #252 *Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days*
*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession (in unison): **Merciful God, we confess that we are a fearful and stubborn people. Like chicks who wander from the safety of the wing, we turn away from your protection to seek our own security. We build walls of judgment instead of shelters of grace. We allow our hearts to be hardened by the chill of the world rather than softened by the thaw of your Spirit.**

Forgive us for the ways we have ignored your call and resisted your gathering love. Lead us back to the path of the cross, and teach us to wait for you with courage. Amen.

*"From the rising of the sun to its setting,
let the name of the Lord be praised!" Psalm 113:3*



In Our Prayers: David A, Helen Alexander, Annie, Kathy B, Patty B, Don & Donnie Baker, Chris, Jeannette Briggs, Jim C, Cheryl D, Nathan E, Betty Frommell, Michelle F, Brian H, Barb Harvey, Clare & Sandy Hillgartner, Bev & Barry Harcum, Frank Kordalski Sr, Bill Knight, Harold L, Cindie M, Rick Morgan, Cindy & Ken McCall, L. M, Peg M, Andrew N, Howard N, Mark Pascarella, Arthur R, Renee R, Cindy S. Susan S, Shawn, Laura Shawley, Bill Szmuc, Bruce S, Glenda T, Tracey, Pat V, Kevin W, Scott W, Wanda, Linda Wetzler

Welcome Children!

Sunday School: age 5 thru 5th grade. Every Sun. during the 10:30 service after Time With Children. Finishes at 11:30.

Coloring/Activity Sheets: are available at the Sanctuary entrance for children. Please help yourself or ask a Deacon.

The Nursery: is open for parents/guardians should you need to step out a moment with a little one. It is located out the front left doors & down the hall. Speakers allow you to hear the service.

Kid's Club: Will next get together Wed March 11th 6:00-7:00 p.m. For kids age 5 thru 6th grade. Bible lesson, craft, snack, games, & music. Any child is welcome! Call the office for more info.

Missions: Help our local + international mission projects by placing a donation in a pew envelope & mark it "Mission Fund". Loose change left in the pew is also given to Missions. Thank you for assisting these worthy programs.

Sharing Their Time

Coffee Conn: Today: Amy G. Snack: Amy G.
3/15/26: Lila Snack:

Deacon Duty: Today: Andrew D, Kim B, Kaitlyn G.
3/15/26:

Sunday School: Today: Leanne C.
3/15/26: Kaitlyn G.

Technology: Today: 9:15 Don 10:30 Rich & Trent
3/15/26: 9:15 Don 10:30 Rich & Trent

Security: This Week: Dave B. 3/16/26: Jamie S.

Church Fundraisers

Available after the service or contact the church office.
Giant Eagle Gift Cards - In \$25, \$50, or \$100 amounts.
-The church receives 5% of the value of the card.
Eat'n Park, Dunkin' Donuts, or Denny's Gift Cards,
-The church receives a percentage for each card.
Sarris Candy- \$2 Bars: Chocolate, Crisped Rice, Almond, or P.Butter or \$3 for a pack of Choco-covered Pretzel Rods.



Good Morning and Welcome to all who are worshipping with us today! We hope you will find the service meaningful and that you can come back and join us again. Please enjoy a refreshment inside the church entrance. We ask everyone to please complete a "Welcome to Linway" Card found in the pews. Restrooms and the Nursery are located out the front left Sanctuary doors, and then down the hallway.

LINWAY HAPPENINGS

Next Sun 3/8 Daylight Saving's Time Begins –Spring forward!
9:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service
10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
11:30 a.m. Teen Youth Group in Soc Hall
Tu 3/10 Walking with Jesus at 6:00 p.m. in Soc Hall
Wed 3/11 Kid's Club 6:00-7:00 p.m.
The Chosen Watch Party 6:00-7:00 p.m.
The Chosen Discussion 7:15-8:30 p.m.
Thurs 3/12 Bell Choir Practice at 6:00p.m. All welcome to ring!
Choir Practice at 7:00 p.m. All welcome to sing!
Next Sun 3/15 9:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service
10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service

Thank You: to Linway member Frank Kordalski for leading today's services and sharing your message of faith with us. We appreciate that you were able to fill-in for Pastor Jakob today.

Handbell Choir: will meet Thursdays at 6:00 starting this Thurs, March 12 to prepare to play at Easter. Previous experience is not needed. Come and give ringing the bells a try! It's fun! If you have a question, please talk to George Hawkins or call the church office. 

Linway Appreciation Spaghetti Dinner March 24th
 **5:00-7:00pm.** It's not a meeting, not a fundraiser, and not a covered-dish. Just a time to relax and enjoy dinner together! There is no charge for this meal. Gluten free options will be available. All are welcome to come and have dinner with your Linway family! Please invite a friend!

Thank You for Your Well Wishes: Barb Harvey wishes to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, calls and text messages following her elbow injury and surgery. It means a lot to her to have the support of her church family.

Change in Retreat Date: The new dates for the Linway Retreat in Ligonier are **April 24-26, 2026.** Info coming soon!

Announcements

Wednesday Watch: Throughout Lent, Pastor Jakob will be sharing "Wednesday Watch", a mid-week video message posted on Wednesdays to the Linway Facebook page and website www.LinwayChurch.org. Take a moment during the week to slow down, reflect on scripture, and keep our hearts' attention to Christ on the road to the cross.

Walking with Jesus: It's not too late to start! So far we know of 17 individuals participating in our "Walking with Jesus"! Eleven have come to walk together in the Social Hall on Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m., and at least 6 more are "walking with Jesus" on their own at home.

This journey through scripture & discipline entails a daily scripture reading from the book of Acts, a physical activity (walk or whatever you are able to do) and a challenge. A handout with scripture readings & challenges is on the table at the church entrance. If you need, we have extra Bibles at the church that you can take home to help with this journey. Please let Chris Stewart or the church office know if you're participating. We'd like to keep a list so that we can cheer each other on as we build our faith and discipline during Lent.

Palm Frond Crosses: Would you like to learn how to fold a



palm frond into a cross? Sandy Hillgartner is going to teach this on Saturday, March 28 at 11:30 a.m. downstairs in our Fellowship Room. This is the day before Palm Sunday. Bring along a pair of scissors & we'll supply the palms. There is no cost, and everyone is invited! Use the back door along James Street to enter. Please talk to Leanne Cornell or call the church office if you're going to attend so we can have an idea how many palms to order.

Come for Breakfast on Palm Sunday!

March 29th Serving 8:15 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

In our Social Hall (use the back door/James Street Door)

2 Scrambled Eggs, Sausage Links, Hash Brown,
Toast, Fruit Salad & Drink

Adult Meal: \$10 Child's Meal: \$5

Enjoy breakfast while supporting the Linway Deacons!

**After breakfast, join us upstairs for
One Worship Service at 10:00 a.m.**

The Chosen Season 5 Bible Study: Meeting Wednesdays

The events of Holy Week are portrayed in this season's episodes. The Episode Watch Party meets Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. Discussion is Wednesdays 7:15 to 8:30 p.m. Please use the James Street entrance at the back of the church. Contact Kris Daugherty at 412-378-6032 with questions.



Holy Week Activities

Palm Sunday, March 29th

Breakfast in the Social Hall 8:15-9:30 a.m. followed by One Service at 10:00 a.m. with Children's Parade of Palms

Maundy Thursday, April 2nd

Dinner & Communion at 6:30 p.m. in the Social Hall

Good Friday, April 3rd

Community Tenebrae Service at 7:00 p.m. at Linway

Easter Sunday, April 5th

Services at 9:15 a.m. + 10:30 a.m.