

neighbors, blind to our own need for grace, blind to the ways You are at work among us. Forgive us, O God.

Open our eyes where we have refused to see. Awaken us from the sleep of complacency. Shine the light of Christ into the hidden places of our lives. Restore our souls, Good Shepherd, and lead us again in paths of righteousness. By Your Spirit, teach us to see as You see, and to walk as children of light. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, the Light of the world. Amen.

\*Silent Prayer of Confession

\*Assurance of Pardon

L: Hear the good news: Christ is the Light of the world.

**P: He comes not to condemn us for our blindness, but to open our eyes and lead us into the light**

L: As Scripture declares: "Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light."

**P: In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven, our vision is restored, and we are called to walk as children of light. Thanks be to God!**

\*Gloria Patri

Passing of the Peace

"Good Morning!"

Anthem *There Is A Green Hill Far Away* 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: *1 Samuel 16:1-13; John 9:1-41 (ESV)*

Song of Praise #491 *Open Our Eyes, Lord*

Sermon "Seeing As God Sees" Jakob Harmon

\*Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed

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 #422 *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound!*

\*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](http://www.LinwayChurch.org)



### Contemporary Worship Service

9:15 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

Invocation

\*Praise Song #480 *Open My Eyes, That I May See*

\*Passing Of The Peace

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Praise Song: *Open the Eyes of My Heart*

Scripture Readings

*1 Samuel 16:1-13; John 9:1-41 (ESV)*

Message: Jakob Harmon

**"Seeing As God Sees"**

\*Praise Song: *Mighty To Save*

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.

#### The Church Staff

Student Pastor.....Jakob Harmon

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Church Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 9:00-3:00; Fri 9:00-noon

Please use our East Entrance to visit during the week.

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*Celebrating 128 Years*

*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 15, 2026

### The Fourth Sunday of Lent

*But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For the Lord sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart."*

*~ 1 Samuel 16: 7 (ESV)*

Traditional Worship Service  
10:30 a.m.

\*Indicates those who are able to please stand

Prelude George Hawkins

Welcome and Announcements Linda Wirth, Liturgist

Gathering Prayer: (In Unison): **God of light and truth, You see what we cannot see. Where we look at appearances, You look upon the heart. Where we assume we understand, You reveal deeper truth. You called David from the shepherd's field, not because others saw greatness in him, but because Your Spirit had already chosen him. You opened the eyes of one born blind, and through him revealed the light of Christ to the world.**

**As we gather in this place, shine Your light upon us. Lead us beside still waters and restore our souls. Awaken us from the darkness of sin and misunderstanding, that we may walk as children of light. Open our eyes to Your presence among us, open our hearts to Your transforming grace, and lead us in the way of Your kingdom. Through Jesus Christ, the Light of the world. Amen.**

Call To Worship

L: Come, all who seek the Lord. Walk in the light of Christ.

**P: Once we lived in darkness, but now in the Lord we are light.**

L: The Lord does not see as mortals see.

**P: We look at outward appearance, but the Lord looks upon the heart.**

L: The Lord is our shepherd; we shall not want.

**P: God leads us beside still waters and restores our souls.**

L: Jesus opens the eyes of the blind and reveals the truth of God.

**P: Let us worship the One who gives us sight.**

L: Come, children of God,

**P: Let us worship in the light of Christ.**

\*Hymn #480

*Open My Eyes, That I May See*

\*Call to Confession

\*Prayer of Confession (in unison): **Merciful God, You are the One who sees clearly, yet we confess how often our vision is clouded. We judge by outward appearances instead of seeking the truth of the heart. We overlook those whom You have chosen and ignore those whom You have called beloved. Too often we walk in darkness; blind to the suffering of our**

*"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 25th 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: Lila S. Snack: Lila S.  
3/22/26: Snack:

**Deacon Duty:** Today: Chris S, Stephanie S, Kim B.  
3/22/26: Sami S, Chris S,

**Sunday School:** Today: Kaitlyn G.  
3/22/26: Jaime R.

**Technology:** Today: 9:15 Don 10:30 Rich & Trent  
3/22/26: 9:15 Jamie 10:30 Rich & Trent

**Security:** This Week: Jamie S. 3/23/26: Wayne G.

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

Today 3/15

**9:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service**  
**10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service**

Tu 3/17

**Craft Ladies** 12:30 p.m. in Fellowship Room  
**Walking with Jesus** at 6:00 p.m. in Soc Hall  
**Session Meeting** 7:00 p.m.

Wed 3/16

**The Chosen Watch Party** 6:00-7:00 p.m.  
**The Chosen Discussion** 7:15-8:30 p.m.

Th 3/19

**Bell Choir Practice** at 6:00p.m. All welcome to ring!  
**Choir Practice** at 7:00 p.m. All welcome to sing!

Next Sun 3/22

**9:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service**  
**10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service**  
**11:30 a.m. Teen Youth Group** in Soc Hall

Linway Appreciation Spaghetti Dinner March 24<sup>th</sup> 5-7:00pm



It's not a meeting, not a fundraiser, and not a covered-dish. Just a time to relax & 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!

**Easter Egg Painting:** next Sunday the kids in Sunday School and the Teen Youth Group will be painting eggs for Easter. Kid's Club will also paint eggs when they next meet on March 25th.



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.

## Announcements

**Our Daily Bread March Edition Has Arrived!** Pick up your free copy of this daily devotional on the table as you exit. You may also read this online at [www.ODBM.org](http://www.ODBM.org)

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**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](http://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.

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**Walking with Jesus:** This journey through scripture & discipline entails a daily scripture reading from the book of Acts, a physical activity (walk or whatever you're 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. You're welcome to come and walk in the Social Hall on Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. Please let Chris Stewart or the office know if you're participating so that we can cheer each other on as we build our faith and discipline during Lent.

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**Palm Frond Crosses:** Would you like to learn how to fold a palm frond into a cross? Sandy Hillgartner is teaching this on Sat, March 28 at 11:30 a.m. in our Fellowship Room. 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. If you're interested in attending, please talk to Leanne Cornell or call the church office 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.**

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**Maundy Thursday Meal & Communion** April 2<sup>nd</sup> 6:30p.m.  
Everyone is welcome to gather downstairs in our Social Hall to share a simple meal of soup (chicken noodle or chicken rice soup) and bread. After the meal, we will share Holy Communion. There is no charge for this special meal. Please invite friends, family, youth, and children to join us as we remember and reflect on the first Lord's Supper so many years ago.

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## The Chosen Season 5 Bible Study: Meeting Wednesdays

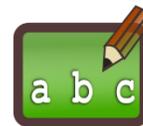
The events of Holy Week are portrayed in this season's episodes. The Episode Watch Party meets Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. Discussion is Wednesdays 7:15 to 8:30 p.m. Please use the James Street entrance at the back of the church for both the Watch Party & the Discussion. Contact Kris Daugherty at 412-378-6032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

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**VBS: Aug 3-6** Mark your calendar! This year Vacation Bible School will be held the evenings of August 3-6.

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**Preschool Open House** on Wed, April 8 5:30-7:30 p.m. for families interested in fall registration. Meet the teachers and tour the classrooms. Please use the East Door (towards North Huntingdon) to enter.



**YOU'RE INVITED!**

**Tuesday Evening,  
March 24<sup>th</sup> 5:00-7:00**

**Linway Appreciation  
Spaghetti Dinner!**

**No  
Charge!**



**All  
Welcome!**

**Linway Church Social Hall**



**Come for Breakfast  
& Stay for Worship!**



**Palm Sunday Breakfast**

**March 29<sup>th</sup> 8:15 – 9:30 a.m.**

**Linway Church Social Hall**

**Adults \$10**

**Kids \$5**

**Scrambled Eggs  
Sausage  
Hash Brown  
Fruit Salad  
Toast & Drink**

**Followed by  
One Worship  
Service  
at 10:00 a.m.**