

Paola/Miami – Prelude Gail Jones  
& Ringing the Church Bell

Osawatomie – Prelude “A Mighty Fortress” Marti Bogart

Announcements

Osawatomie – Ringing the Chimes

Call to Worship

Leader: With endless creativity, God forms and shapes our lives.

**All: Each of us bears the image of our maker. Each of us is made in love.**

**Glory to God Hymn #216 – Beneath the Cross of Jesus**

We are called to confess

Jesus calls us to follow him, knowing that the path is difficult and that sin lurks at every turn. Trusting in God’s mercy, let us seek forgiveness, that we may follow more nearly in the way of Jesus.

We confess our sins to God and one another

**O God, you have given us a firm foundation in Jesus Christ, yet we have chosen to build on sinking sand. The works of our hands crumble around us, and our best efforts are not good enough; sin is real, and we are powerless before it. Forgive us for thinking we know best. Mend our broken values and create in us hearts that seek your purposes, so that what we build with our lives may give you glory.**

Time for silent, personal confession

We receive the assurance of pardon

Jesus accompanies us on life’s journey, offering abundant mercy and bountiful forgiveness along the way. This is good news!

**All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

Glori Patri

Passing the Peace

Message for the Young at Heart

**WE PROCLAIM GOD’S GOOD NEWS**

We Pray Together, the Prayer of the Day

**Loving Creator, maker of everything good, we are in your hands. Be with us now as we gather ourselves to seek your wisdom and strive to become the people you would have us be. Amen.**

**Today’s Scripture Reading:**

Psalm 1

Luke 14:25–33

Liturgist

Pastor Paul

Reflecting on Scripture – Sermon Title:

“Tough Work”

Pastor Paul

Miami/Paola Special Music

Gail Jones

Osawatomie Special Music

“Amazing Grace”

Marti Bogart

Sharing Joys & Concerns

Prayers of the People/The Lord’s Prayer (Please use debts and debtors)

**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 debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

**Call to stewardship**

The cost of discipleship is bold and radical. It requires a countercultural giving of possessions and self. Let us risk the safety of ordinary and choose to build with God by sharing our tithes, offerings, and our very selves.

**We ask for blessings on our tithes and offerings**

**Holy Giver of all Gifts, we thank you for this opportunity to share our gifts and participate in the various ministries you've placed before this faith community. Bless these monies and each one of us as we go back out to continue your work in the world. Amen.**

**Doxology**

**We Affirm Our Faith Together**

The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission. His human life involves the church in the common life of all people. His service to men and women commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all human suffering so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of persons in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God's judgment on the inhumanity that marks human relations, and the awful consequences of the church's own complicity in injustice. In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God's renewal of human life in society and of God's victory over all wrong. The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the method of its action. So, to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord.

**Words of Institution**

*We will partake the elements together.*

**Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion**

**Holy Spirit, you have filled us with your life. Christ our Savior, you have embraced us in your love. God our Mother, you have fed us with your grace. Now send us out into your beloved world to share your life, your love, your grace with all. Blessing and honor and glory to you, holy, holy, holy Lord. Amen.**

**WE RESPOND AND GO IN GOD'S NAME**

**Glory to God Hymn #223 – When I Survey the Wondrous Cross**

**Charge & Benediction**

**Closing Response**

**“Go ye now in peace and know that the love of God will guide you...Feel his presence here beside you, showing you the way...go ye now in peace, go ye now in peace.”**

**Postlude**

**Miami/Paola**

**Osawatomie**

**“Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”**

**Gail Jones**

**Marti Bogart**