



About midnight Paul and Silas were praying  
and singing hymns to God, and the other  
prisoners were listening to them.

-Acts 16:25



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### January 19, 2025

*Declaring God's Grace & Demonstrating God's Love,  
as Directed by God's Word*

# *Welcome to Worship!*

Welcome to Ken Mawr in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ! In 1803 President Thomas Jefferson commissioned his private secretary, Merriwether Lewis, to form and lead a team of explorers through the vast Louisiana Territory the Americans had recently purchased from the French. The object of the mission was “to explore the Missouri River, and such principal streams of it, as by its course and communication with the waters of the Pacific Ocean or any other river...” The Corps of Discovery set out on their journey with high hopes, but little understanding of the delights, discoveries, and hardships that would characterize their journey. None of them knew how it would change their lives—or how it would change the lives of others who would come after them. It’s the same for us. Participation and involvement in the life of a healthy church, I believe, is a journey of discovery. It can yield unexpected adventures, unforeseen fruits, and open the door to breakthroughs that can change our lives—and the lives of those who come after us. We welcome each one of you to church today.

*-Pastor Karl*

## **Today at KMUPC**

- **Coffee, tea and hot chocolate** are available on the lower level at the coffee counter next to the Welcome Room.
- **Restrooms** are on the Sanctuary level, through the front Sanctuary doors, turn right at the office door and follow signs toward the elevator. Additional restrooms are on the first floor at the bottom of the steps and in the lower hallway.
- **Nursery room** is open and available on the lower level, turn right at the bottom of the steps, turn left in the children’s department, the nursery room is the last door on the right. There are changing tables, rocking chairs and toys. There is a speaker in this room to hear the service. Please feel free to use this space for you and your child. Please see the information for registration for nursery care during the services.
- **Children’s church** is offered for children Preschool age to Grade 4 after Time with the Children during the 11:00 a.m. service. There is a 3-4 year old room and 5 – grade 4 room. The children will return to the sanctuary during the last hymn.
- **Elders/Deacons of the month** are available to help you with general questions and information. The Elder of the Month is usually in the church office throughout the morning.

# *The Service of Worship*

## **GATHER IN GOD'S NAME**

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Preparing for Worship

“Speak O Lord”

Welcome

Call to Worship

Prayer of Adoration

## **GIVE PRAISE AND THANKS TO GOD**

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\*Hymn of Praise #87

“Come Christians Join to Sing”

**Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen!  
loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!  
Let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;  
praise is his gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!**

**Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen!  
let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!  
Christ is our Guide and Friend; to us he'll condescend;  
his love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!**

**Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen!  
life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!  
On heaven's blissful shore his goodness we'll adore,  
singing forevermore, "Alleluia! Amen!"**

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Prayer of Confession

**Heavenly Father, our lives and all our ways are like an open book before you. There is nothing we can hide from you and with humility we recall those things in which we have come short of the standard set for us by Christ our Lord. The spirit of true charity motivates us only sporadically; concern for ourselves crowds out the compassion we should have for others. Have mercy on us, forgive all our sins, strengthen us in goodness, and bring us to eternal life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

\*Assurance of God's Forgiveness

\*Congregational Response

**All ye who are of tender heart, forgiving others take your part.  
Sing his praises, Alleluia! Ye, who long pain and sorrow bear,  
praise God and on him cast your care!  
O praise him! O praise him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him with humbleness!  
O praise him, Alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
and praise the Spirit, three in One,  
O praise him! O praise him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**  
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Ordination and Installation of Officers

Time with the Children (Kids spell love T-I-M-E)

*Children PreK – Grade 4 are invited to children's church.  
They will rejoin their families during the last hymn.*

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

***...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; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.***

Congregational Prayer Response #240

**Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, Gloria, alleluia, alleluia.  
Glory to God, Glory to God, glory in the highest!  
Glory to God, Glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!**  
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Offering and Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

## **GOD'S WORD READ AND PROCLAIMED**

Scripture

Acts 16:16-34

16 Once when we were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a female slave who had a spirit by which she predicted the future. She earned a great deal of money for her owners by fortune-telling. 17 She followed Paul and the rest of us, shouting, "These

men are servants of the Most High God, who are telling you the way to be saved.” 18 She kept this up for many days. Finally, Paul became so annoyed that he turned around and said to the spirit, “In the name of Jesus Christ I command you to come out of her!” At that moment the spirit left her. 19 When her owners realized that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace to face the authorities. 20 They brought them before the magistrates and said, “These men are Jews, and are throwing our city into an uproar 21 by advocating customs unlawful for us Romans to accept or practice.” 22 The crowd joined in the attack against Paul and Silas, and the magistrates ordered them to be stripped and beaten with rods. 23 After they had been severely flogged, they were thrown into prison, and the jailer was commanded to guard them carefully. 24 When he received these orders, he put them in the inner cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. 25 About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them. 26 Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everyone’s chains came loose. 27 The jailer woke up, and when he saw the prison doors open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself because he thought the prisoners had escaped. 28 But Paul shouted, “Don’t harm yourself! We are all here!” 29 The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell trembling before Paul and Silas. 30 He then brought them out and asked, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” 31 They replied, “Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved—you and your household.” 32 Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all the others in his house. 33 At that hour of the night the jailer took them and washed their wounds; then immediately he and all his household were baptized. 34 The jailer brought them into his house and set a meal before them; he was filled with joy because he had come to believe in God—he and his whole household. (NIV)

Sermon

“Discover”

\*A Psalm of Discovery (Psalm 27)

**The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?**

**When evildoers assail me to devour my flesh—my adversaries and foes—they shall stumble and fall.**

**Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident.**

**One thing I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple.**

**For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock.**

**Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the Lord.**

**GO IN GOD'S NAME**

\*Sending Hymn #496

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”

**What a fellowship, what a joy divine,  
    leaning on the everlasting arms;  
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine,  
    leaning on the everlasting arms.  
Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;  
leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.**

**O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,  
    leaning on the everlasting arms;  
O how bright the path grows from day to day,  
    leaning on the everlasting arms.  
Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;  
leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.**

**What have I to dread, what have I to fear,  
    leaning on the everlasting arms?  
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,  
    leaning on the everlasting arms.  
Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;  
leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.**

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\*Benediction

*Thank you for worshiping with us.*

**TODAY'S BENEVOLENCE:** While most other pro-life groups focus on legislation and the political debate, Presbyterians Protecting Life is different. The focus is on the Church. The central truths we hold as Christians should determine how we understand life issues and how we minister to those who face pregnancies under difficult circumstances and those who have experienced abortion. PPL is an independent, nonprofit corporation made up of members and pastors of the PC (USA) and is a voice for renewal in our denomination.

January 26 – Deacons Fund

### HELP OUR FOOD PANTRY!

The Ken Mawr food pantry is low on **cereal**. Donations would be much appreciated and can be placed in the food pantry by the elevator downstairs or given to the Deacon of the month on Sundays. Thank you!

### Summer Save the Dates

June - Week of Hope

Middle School and High School Service Opportunity

**June 15 - 20**

July - Music Camp at Camp Lambec (for students who have finished grade 3 - high school)

**July 13-18**

Vacation Bible School - Our all-church summer extravaganza for kids, youth and adults!

**July 27-31**

### PENNY WARS - with a TWIST!

**FEBRUARY 2025**

**Coming to a Sunday School class near you!**



And...bring a box a cereal  
with your pennies for extra points!



## **Growing Spiritually** **Developing deep roots with God and others**

### **Adult Ministries and Small Groups at Ken Mawr Church**

*You are cordially invited and welcome to participate in any of the following groups:*

#### **Sunday morning:**

- Koinonia Class (upstairs past the office) 9:45
- New Vision (Friendship Lounge downstairs) 9:45
- Spiritual Journaling (Library downstairs) 9:45
- Woven Women (Memorial Lounge downstairs) 9:45

#### **Wednesday evenings:**

- Ken Mawr Choir (Koinonia room upstairs) Singing and fellowship 7:00

#### **Thursday morning:**

- Quilters (Friendship Lounge) – 10:00

#### **First Tuesday afternoon of each month:**

- Lord's Lambs Bible Study (Friendship Lounge) for men and women 1:00

#### **Second Tuesday evening of each month:**

- Esther Circle (Friendship Lounge) – Fellowship and study for women 7:00

#### **Second Saturday morning of each month:**

- Men's Breakfast and Bible study (Friendship Lounge) 9:00

#### **Third Wednesday afternoon of each month:**

- Jackie's Lunch Bunch (Friendship Lounge) – Bring a bag lunch. Men and Women 12:30

#### **Third Thursday of each month:**

- Helping Hands (projects around the church building) – come for any part of the day 10-3

### **Children and Youth Ministries at Ken Mawr Church**

#### **Sunday morning classes:** (Breakfast snacks and hot chocolate are available)

- Youngest learners meet downstairs to the right of the steps 9:45
- Elementary learners in grades 2-4 meet to the left of the steps, on the right 9:45
- Middle school students meet in the middle youth room on the left 9:45
- High school students meet in the first youth room on the left 9:45
- Children's Church for PreK – Grade 4 during the worship service at 11:00

#### **Sunday evenings as scheduled:**

- Middle school events are scheduled throughout the month for fellowship and further learning beyond the morning class 5:45 – 7:15

#### **Monday evening:**

- Youth412 meets Monday evenings for dinner, fellowship and devotions in the youth wing. Additional events are scheduled by the director. 6:00 – 7:30

#### **Wednesday evening:**

- J.A.M. (Jesus and Me) meets on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 – 7:00 for activities, lessons, games and snacks for students in K-4.



## CHURCH STAFF

PASTOR  
COMMISSIONED PASTOR  
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT  
TREASURER/ACCOUNTANT  
ASSISTANT TREASURER  
LIVE STREAM TECHNICIAN  
AUDIO/PERCUSSION  
J.A.M. DIRECTOR  
YOUTH 412 DIRECTOR  
CUSTODIAN

Rev. Dr. Karl McDonald  
Louise Schoppe  
Tiffany Kelly  
Tom Solack  
Lori Ryan  
Cameron Brown  
Adam Kantz  
Chrissy Pelzer  
Katie Herman  
P.J. O'Reilly

## VOLUNTEERS IN MINISTRY

CLERK OF SESSION  
MODERATOR OF DEACONS  
MUSIC DIRECTOR  
NURSERY COORDINATOR  
ELDER OF THE MONTH  
DEACONS OF THE MONTH

Diane Kuffner  
Cheryl Simchak  
Jayne McDonald  
Tina Ernst  
Nelson Keltzli  
Tom McCullough/Michael Baldauff

## ~ THANK YOU ~

**Children's Church:** Louise Schoppe  
**Ken Mawr Choir**

**Bass:** Mitchell Fleischman

**Counters:** Diane Kuffner and Barb Cario

**Van Driver:** Tony Tresky

**Flower Delivery:** Nick and Melody Coholic

If you would like to donate chancel flowers for 2025, please contact Tiffany in the church office at 412-331-2863 or email at [kenmawrsecretary@comcast.net](mailto:kenmawrsecretary@comcast.net). The flower calendar **does not automatically renew**. Cost \$25.

**TODAY AT KMUPC**

**January 19, 2025**

Worship Services.....	8:30 and 11:00
Sunday School.....	9:45
Children’s Church .....	11:00
Deacons Meeting.....	12:00

**THIS WEEK AT KMUPC**

Monday	Al Anon .....	7:30
Tuesday	Lifewise .....	9:00 – 3:30
	Session Meeting .....	7:00
Wednesday	JAM.....	6:00
	Choir .....	7:00
Thursday	Lifewise.....	8:30 – 3:00
	Quilters .....	10:00
	Staff Meeting.....	10:00
Saturday	Soccer Shots .....	9:00
Sunday	Worship Services.....	8:30 and 11:00
	Sunday School.....	9:45
	Children’s Church .....	11:00
	Middle School Youth Event.....	5:45 – 7:15

**LOOKING AHEAD**

- February 2 – Worship services/Communion
- February 2 – Penny Wars begin in Sunday School
- February 4 – Lord’s Lambs
- February 4 – Christian Education/Sunday School Teachers meeting
- February 8 – Men’s Breakfast
- February 9 – Souper Bowl
- February 11 – Esther Circle
- February 19 – Jackie’s Lunch Bunch
- February 20 – Helping Hands

Annual reports from committees and organizations are due to  
Tiffany this week.

Bulletin and social media information should be submitted by Thursdays – a  
week ahead of the date needed. Bulletins are printed Tuesday mornings of  
each week. Thank you.

# KMUPC ELDERS AND DEACONS

## The Elders

Clerk of Session: Diane Kuffner

### Class of 2025

Kristen Brown  
Jimmy Heckethorn  
Nelson Kletzli  
Bucky Savatt  
Renee Trunick

### Class of 2026

Diane Felter  
Dave Ewonce  
Jessica Robinson  
Lari Skowron  
Jim Weikel

### Class of 2027

Lynne Bryan  
Barb Jaros  
Melissa McCormick  
Bob Ramsey  
Audra Wilson

## KMUPC Session Ministry Teams

### Christian Education

Teaching ministries

### Evangelism

Outreach ministries

### Finance

Budget and giving ministries

### Maintenance

Building and property needs

### Mission

Local and Global ministry support

### Worship

Lord's Day and special services

## The Deacons

Moderator: Cheryl Simchak

### Class of 2025

Michael Baldauff  
Tony Cario  
Cindy Koller  
Tom McCullough  
Chrissy Pelzer  
Lauri Picard  
Cheryl Simchak  
Claudia Tyler

### Class of 2026

Michelle Altenhoff  
Eric Boerstler  
Barb Cannella  
Craig Cannella  
Melody Coholic  
Nick Coholic  
Val Kamenar  
Kathy Strand

### Class of 2027

Dona Adamski  
Kathy Boots  
Debbie Bucek  
Judy Carney  
Anne Chimera  
Tina Freyermuth  
Dan Koller  
Amy Schmidt

## KMUPC Deacons Ministry Teams

### Care and Compassion

Funeral Luncheons  
Card Ministries  
Food Pantry  
Book Nook

### Lord's Day Ministries

Greeters/Greeter Book  
Prepare sanctuary for worship  
Van Transportation to Worship  
Welcome guests/visitors

### Special Events

Church Picnic  
Blood Donor Drive  
Other all-church events/outings  
Helps with Lenten Dinners



## **AT HOME**

Betty Borden – 3501 Masonic Drive Sewickley, PA 15143  
Jean Bryan – c/o Manges, 9742 Valley View Rd, Pittsburgh, PA 15237  
Lovell Bryant – 108 Homer Circle, McKees Rocks, PA 15136  
Dorothy Burgunder – 3927 Windgap Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15204  
Sandra Camarota – 2314 Forest Grove Road, Coraopolis, PA 15108  
Ralph Chasey– Coraopolis Towers, #818, 951 1st Ave, Coraopolis, PA 15108  
Bill Conrad – 115 Phillips Lane, McKees Rocks, PA 15136  
Larry Dickson – 116 Connie Park Drive, McKees Rocks, PA 15136  
Betty Dorsey – 115 Starling Drive, McKees Rocks, PA 15136  
Joan Downs – 906 Canterbury Drive, Moon Twp., PA 15108  
Pippa Downs – 136 Marie Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15237  
Rose Ann Grannis - (Angela Schoppe's mom) 3121 47<sup>th</sup> Street, New Brighton, PA 15066  
Janet Gregory – 190 North Vireo Drive, McKees Rocks, PA 15136  
Peg Harcha – 189 Williams Street, McKees Rocks, PA 15136  
Bob Hieber – 3104 Landing Lane, Moon Township PA 15108  
Patricia Hildebrand – 2027 McKees Rocks Rd., McKees Rocks, PA 15136  
Corinne Irwin – 20 Kenridge Drive, McKees Rocks, PA 15136  
Ann Joseck – 2107 Masonic Drive, Sewickley, PA 15143  
Carol Kaczmarek – 664 Magnus Lane, Coraopolis, PA 15108  
Lee Leck – 22 Rossi Dr., McKees Rocks, PA 15136  
Evelyn Lieberman – 1306 Brookline Blvd., Apt. 706, Pittsburgh, PA 15226  
Alex Lugin – 34 MacArthur Way, McKees Rocks, PA 15136  
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Roberta Meixell – 32 Eichelberger Dr., Coraopolis, PA 15136  
Suzanne Murr – 1780 Pine Hollow Road, McKees Rocks, PA 15136  
Mercedes Niehoff – 226 North Vireo Dr, McKees Rocks, PA 15136  
Ken Parme – 31 Hodgson Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15205  
Jeff Sammel – 145 Connie Park Drive, McKees Rocks, PA 15136  
Dave Smith – 1464 Critchfield Drive, Bridgeville PA 15017  
Ellen Tresky – 84 Thorncrest Drive, McKees Rocks, PA 15136  
Ray Walter – 1042 Fiddleback Drive, McKees Rocks, PA 15136  
Dee Young – 400 Adams Drive, Apt 106, McKees Rocks, PA 15136

## **IN CARE AND REHABILITATION FACILITIES**

Cliff Brown- The Grove of New Castle, 715 Harbor Street, New Castle, PA 16101  
Elaine Crist – Heritage Valley Senior Living, Rm 236, 30 Heckel Road, McKees Rocks, PA 15136  
David Gadsby – The Waters of Wexford, 210 Fowler Road, Room 1030, Warrendale, PA 15086  
Addie Mitchell – Evergreen Personal Care, 25 Glade Ave., Waynesburg, PA 15370  
Loretta Osborne – Heritage Valley Senior Living, Rm 210, 32 Heckel Road, McKees Rocks, PA 15136  
Peggy Ponte – Caring Heights, Room 201, 234 Coraopolis Rd., Coraopolis, PA 15108  
Helen Sharpe – Apple Blossom Senior Care, Rm 251, 125 Apple Blossom Way, Moon Twp, PA 15108  
Virginia Shaw – Heritage Valley Senior Living, Rm 301, 32 Heckel Road, McKees Rocks, PA 15136  
Clare Webb – Apple Blossom Senior Care, Rm 321, 125 Apple Blossom Way, Moon Twp, PA 15108

## **IN THE MILITARY**

LCpl Andrew Gregory - 731 College Avenue, Old Town, ME 04468  
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