

Ken Mawr United Presbyterian Church

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# May 19, 2024

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

# Welcome to Worship!

How good it is to welcome everyone on this Day of Pentecost and Confirmation Sunday. I'm giving you advance notice that today I'm going to make all the introverts uncomfortable by asking you to do two simple things. First, that you wear a name tag so you will know others and be known by them. Secondly, I'm going to ask that you personally welcome one another to this time of worship in the name of Christ. We are in this place to confirm the truth we know about God the Father, Jesus his Son, and the Holy Spirit, who Jesus calls "the Spirit of truth." The Lord bless you, and keep you, and give you peace! -Pastor Karl

# Today at KMUPC

- **Coffee and tea** are available on the lower level at the coffee counter next to the Welcome Room.
- Restrooms are on the Sanctuary level, through the front of the Sanctuary doors, 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 care is staffed 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.
- 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.

Service of Worship

### GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Preparing for Worship

"Speak O Lord"

Speak, O Lord, as we come to you to receive the food of your holy word. Take your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in your likeness, That the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all your purposes for your glory. Teach us Lord, full obedience, holy reverence true humility; Test our thoughts and our attitudes in the radiance of your purity. Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see your majestic love and authority. Words of power that can never fail, let their truth prevail over unbelief. Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; Help us grasp the heights of your plans for us. Truths unchanged from the dawn of time that will echo down through eternity. And by grace we'll stand on your promises, and by faith we'll walk as you walk with us. Speak, O Lord, till your church is built and the earth is filled with your glory. © 2006 THANKYOU MUSIC | CCLI #800917, #20719925

Welcome

Responsive Call to Worship (John 3:31-35)

The one who comes from above is above all.

The one who is from the earth belongs to the earth and speaks as one from the earth.

The one who comes from heaven is above all.

He testifies to what he has seen and heard, but no one accepts his testimony.

Whoever has accepted it has certified that God is truthful.

For the one whom God has sent speaks the words of God, For God gives the Spirit without limit.

The Father loves the Son and has placed everything in his hands. Let us worship God and let us pray...

Prayer of Adoration

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

\*Hymn of Praise

"Behold Our God"

Who has held the oceans in His hands? Who has numbered every grain of sand? Kings and nations tremble at His voice. All creation rises to rejoice. Behold our God seated on His throne, come let us adore Him. Behold our King nothing can compare, come let us adore Him!

Who has given counsel to the Lord? Who can question any of His Words? Who can teach the One who knows all things? Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds? Behold our God seated on His throne, come let us adore Him. Behold our King nothing can compare, come let us adore Him!

Who has felt the nails upon His hands, bearing all the guilt of sinful man? God eternal humbled to the grave, Jesus, Savior risen now to reign! Behold our God seated on His throne, come let us adore Him. Behold our King nothing can compare, come let us adore Him! Behold our God seated on His throne, come let us adore Him. Behold our King nothing can compare, come let us adore Him. Behold our King nothing can compare, come let us adore Him! © 1992 Jaime Cortez | CCLI #800917, #20719925

\*Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, who pours out freely the gift of your Holy Spirit: We confess before you and to each other that we have failed to recognize this most precious gift. We have been satisfied with ordinary things, suspicious of unfamiliar things, and blind to spiritual things. Cleanse us, O God, with your celestial fire. Burn away our presumptions of self-sufficiency and open us by the Spirit of Truth to receive the renewing touch of your hand. Through Christ we pray. 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!

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! © 1998 Jonathan Gilley | CCLI #800917, #20719925 Confirmation of Baptized Members (11:00 AM)

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.

#### Prayer Response

Holy Father, Son, and Spirit. Holy Communion, Three-in-One.
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Come with your peace, with your invitation. Bind us together in holy love.
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Offering and Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

## GOD'S WORD READ AND PROCLAIMED

Scripture

John 15:26-16:15

26 "When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father—the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father—he will testify about me. 27 And you also must testify, for you have been with me from the beginning.

1 "All this I have told you so that you will not fall away. 2 They will put you out of the synagogue; in fact, the time is coming when anyone who kills you will think they are offering a service to God. 3 They will do such things because they have not known the Father or me. 4 I have told you this, so that when their time comes you will remember that I warned you about them. I did not tell you this from the beginning because I was with you, 5 but now I am going to him who sent me. None of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' 6 Rather, you are filled with grief because I have said these things. 7 But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. 8 When he comes, he will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: 9 about sin, because people do not believe in me; 10 about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, where you can see me no longer; 11 and about judgment, because the prince of this world now stands condemned. 12 "I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. 13 But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. 14 He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you. 15 All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will receive from me what he will make known to you. (NIV)

Sermon

"Confirming What Is True"

\*The Apostles' Creed

- I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord:
- Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell.
- The third day He arose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
- I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

## GATHERING AT THE LORD'S TABLE

God's Invitation and Promises Great Prayer of Thanksgiving The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise. Receiving the Bread and the Cup

\*Prayer after Communion

God of our lives, who on Pentecost granted to an expectant and united church the gift of the Holy Spirit, you have wonderfully brought together those who worship you today. We give you thanks for the Bread of Heaven, given to us as food and nourishment for eternal life. Grant, we pray, the help of your Spirit in all our life and worship, that we may expect great things from you, attempt great things for you, and, being one in you, show to the world that you sent the Spirit of Truth, to whom with you and the Lord Jesus Christ be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen. \*Sending Hymn #350

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name? Will you go where you don't know and never be the same? Will you let my love be shown? Will you let my name be known, will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same? Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare? Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name? Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same? Will you kiss the leper clean and do such as this unseen, and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?

Lord your summons echoes true when you but call my name. Let me turn and follow you and never be the same. In Your company I'll go where Your love and footsteps show. Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me. © 1987 WGRG The Iona Community | CCLI #800917, #20719925

\*Benediction

Thank you for worshiping with us.

**TODAY'S BENEVOLENCE** - When other financial resources have been exhausted, KMUPC is truly blessed to have a discretionary fund administered by our pastor. The Good Samaritan Fund was established by Session in 2005, and it has been supported over the years by some very generous donors. If you would like to be of assistance to those inside our congregation and outside the church who find themselves in an impossible situation, please make a donation to our Good Samaritan Fund. Thank you.

May 26 – Camp Crestfield June 2 – Foster Love Project June 9 – Camp Lambec June 16 – Medical Benevolence Foundation

# CONFIRMATION OF BAPTIZED MEMBERS

#### **ELDER:**

These people have been received by the Session of this church. They have studied God's word and have learned the belief and practice of his people. They are here to profess their faith, and to be joined with us in the service of Jesus Christ.

#### **MINISTER:**

Friends, Jesus Christ has chosen you, and in baptism, has joined you to himself. He has called you, along with us, into the church, which is his body. Now he has brought you to this time and place, so you may confess his name before God's people, and go out to serve him as faithful disciples.

### **QUESTIONS TO THE NEW MEMBERS:**

Do you profess Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord?

Do you trust in him?

Do you intend to be his disciple, to obey his word and show his love?

Do you promise to be a faithful member of this congregation, giving of yourself in every way, and so fulfill your calling as a disciple of Jesus Christ the Lord?

### PRAYER

### CHARGE

All of you are disciples of Jesus Christ. He has commissioned you. Live in his love and serve him. Be filled with gratitude. Let the message of Christ dwell among you in all its richness. Whatever you are doing, whether you speak or act, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.



# 2024 Confirmation Class

Seth Baldauff 425 Herbst Manor Rd. Coraopolis, PA 15108

Avery Joyce 6014 Hawthorn Drive Coraopolis, PA 15108

Gavin Keaton 14 Mars Drive McKees Rocks, PA 15136

Aubrey Lemasters 1007 Mitchell Drive McKees Rocks, PA 15136

Jacob Lemasters 1007 Mitchell Drive McKees Rocks, PA 15136

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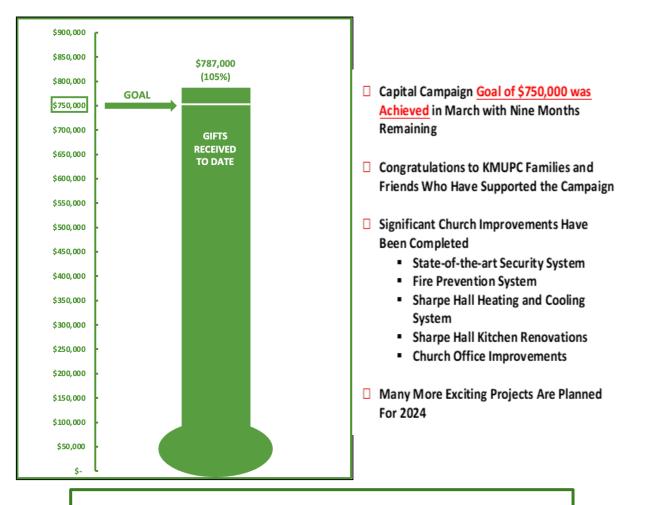
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# **KMUPC CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE**



## A SINCERE THANK YOU TO KMUPC FAMILIES AND FRIENDS WHO HAVE GENEROUSLY CONTRIBUTED.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Mark your calendars! The annual church picnic** will be held on June 30 beginning at 4:00 p.m. at the Vituccio Shelter –at Fairhaven Park (next to the basketball court on Fairhaven). The hot dogs, hamburgers and paper supplies are provided. Bring a dish to share if you are able. However, there's always plenty of food – everyone is welcome!

**Are you registered for Music Camp at Camp Lambec?** Visit the website at <u>www.camplambec.com</u> to register! If you have any questions, please see Kristen Brown, Adam Kantz, Chrissy Cannella, Pastor Karl or Jayne McDonald.



**VBS Registration is open!** Use the QR code to access the link to register your child. The QR code works for registration for participants and volunteers. Students ages PreK – Grade 8 (finished) can register.

VBS Volunteer registration is also open. Use the QR code to access the link for volunteers. Volunteers include students who have finished grade 9 – adults. Anyone over the age of 18 must submit PA Child Abuse and Criminal Background clearances. Clearance papers may be emailed to Tiffany at www.kenmawrsecretary@comcast.net OR papers may be put in the brown envelope (CLEARANCES) on the bulletin board in the church office.



# **GIVING OPTIONS**

# Sunday Morning

There are envelopes for your offering in the pew racks if needed. Giving can always be designated for current expenses, specific benevolences, memorial fund and/or the capital campaign.

\*A check scanner provided by the bank is used to remotely deposit checks. You may notice your check clears more quickly than in the past. Please note that if a check is post-dated beyond Sunday's date, there may be a delay and your check may not deposit until the following week.

# **Online Giving**

By using the online giving button on the KMUPC website, your contributions can be given directly from your bank account or on a credit card for your convenience. These offerings can also be designated for current expenses, specific benevolences, memorial fund and/or the capital campaign.

# Mailing

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# Other Giving

Marketable security donations Planned giving through your will or a trust

## 2 CORINTHIANS 9:7

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.



# **CHURCH STAFF**

PASTOR COMMISSIONED PASTOR ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TREASURER/SENIOR ACCOUNTANT ASSISTANT TREASURER LIVE STREAM TECHNICIAN AUDIO/PERCUSSION J.A.M. DIRECTOR HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM DIRECTOR CUSTODIAN Rev. Dr. Karl McDonald Louise Schoppe Tiffany Kelly Saundra Kent Lori Ryan Cameron Brown Adam Kantz Chrissy Cannella 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 Lari Skowron (8:30)/Dave Ewonce (11:00) Cheryl Simchak/Lauri Picard

## Today's Nursery Care Schedule:

8:30 – Diane Kuffner 11:00 – Deb and Wyatt Bucek

# THANK YOU ~

Ken Mawr Choir

Children's Church – Tess Smith Children's Church Youth – Austin, Gavin, Garrett Counters: Tim Chimera/Bucky Savatt Van Driver: Tom McCullough Flower Delivery: Tina Ernst/Cheryl Simchak

# TODAY AT KMUPC

Worship services	8:30 and 11:00
Children's Church	11:00

# THIS WEEK AT KMUPC

Monday	Finance Meeting	
-	Al Anon	
Tuesday	Session	
Wednesday	JAM	
	Choir practice	
Thursday	Food Pantry	
	Quilters	
	Staff Meeting	
	Presbytery	
Sunday	Worship Services	
	Children's Church	
Monday(27th	Memorial Day Prayer Service	

# LOOKING AHEAD

- June 2 Communion Sunday/Graduate Recognition
- June 2 Summer Sermon Chats Begin 9:45 a.m.
- June 4 VBS/Christian Education Meeting
- June 7 Wedding Rehearsal
- June 8 Men's Breakfast
- June 8 Wedding
- June 17 Finance Meeting
- June 18 Session
- June 19 Lunch Bunch
- June 30 Church Picnic
- July 7 Communion
- July 7 12 Music Camp at Camp Lambec
- July 9 Summer Lord's Lambs
- July 13 Men's Breakfast
- July 21-25 Breaker Rock VBS
- August 4 Communion
- August 10 Men's Breakfast
- August 19 Finance Meeting
- August 20 Session



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#### AT HOME

Betty Borden – 3801 Masonic Drive Sewickley, 15143 Jean Bryan – c/o Manges, 9742 Valley View Rd, Pittsburgh, PA 15237 Lovell and Eileen 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 Alice Davis – (Amy Savatt's mother) – 29 Enlow Road, Imperial, PA 15126 Larry Dickson – 116 Connie Park Drive, McKees Rocks, PA 15136 Evelyn Dithrich – 1103 Broadway Ave. #4, 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 John Gehr – 129 Mallard Dr., McKees Rocks, PA 15136 Rose Ann Grannis - (Angela Schoppe's mom) 3121 47th 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 Mary Kuffner – 220 Coraopolis Road, Apt 4, Coraopolis, PA 15108 Lee Leck - 22 Rossi Dr., McKees Rocks, PA 15136 Alex Lugin – 34 MacArthur Way, McKees Rocks, PA 15136 George McCurdy – (Russ' father) 1820 German Settlement Road, Ridaway, PA 15853 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 Marty Novoselski – 970 Glenhayes Drive, Crescent, PA 15046 Ken Parme – 31 Hodgson Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15205 Jeff Sammel – 145 Connie Park Drive, McKees Rocks, PA 15136 Helen Sharpe – 56 S. Vireo 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 Youna – 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 Gloria Dazen – Fair Oaks of Pittsburgh, 2200 W. Liberty Ave, Apt. 314, Pittsburgh, PA 15226 Myralin Miller – 880 S. Main Street, Washington, PA 15301 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 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 Sgt. Paul McCurdy - 7436 McAuliffe Loop, Ft. Campbell, KY 42223 Jackson Dorsey - U.S. Coast Guard Academy, 16 Mohegan Ave., Chase Hall, New London, CT 06320

# **KMUPC ELDERS AND DEACONS**

## The Elders

Clerk of Session: Diane Kuffner

Class of 2024 Ken Barth Lynne Bryan Kevin Halaja Melissa McCormick Bob Ramsey Class of 2025 Kristen Brown Jimmy Heckethorn Nelson Kletzli Bucky Savatt Renee Trunick

#### **KMUPC Session Ministry Teams**

#### Christian Education Teaching ministries

Evangelism Outreach ministries Finance Budget and giving ministries

Class of 2026 Diane Felter

Dave Ewonce

Lari Skowron

Jim Weikel

Jessica Robinson

<u>Maintenance</u> Building and property needs Mission Local and Global ministry support

Worship Lord's Day and special services

## The Deacons

#### <u>Class of 2024</u> Donna Adamski

Julia Baxter Tina Ernst Tina Freyermuth Diane Haney Anita Huchel Dan Koller Tony Tresky

#### Care and Compassion

Funeral Luncheons Card Ministries Food Pantry Book Nook

## Moderator: Cheryl Simchak

#### Class of 2025 Michael Baldauff Chrissy Cannella Tony Cario Cindy Koller Tom McCullough Lauri Picard Cheryl Simchak Claudia Tyler

#### **KMUPC Deacons Ministry Teams**

#### Lord's Day Ministries Greeters/Greeter Book

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



#### Special Events

Class of 2026

Eric Boerstler

Barb Cannella

Craig Cannella

Melody Coholic

Nick Coholic

Val Kamenar

Kathy Strand

Michelle Altenhoff

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