



Jeremiah - The Working Prophet

“YOU WILL CALL ON ME AND COME AND PRAY TO
ME, AND I WILL LISTEN TO YOU, DECLARES THE
LORD.” -JEREMIAH 29:12

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

Welcome to Worship!

Greetings to all in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ! On behalf of the people of Ken Mawr Church I extend a sincere welcome to you on this Lord's Day. The story of Jeremiah, like Noah's story, is a story of disaster before it becomes a story of hope. The letter that Jeremiah wrote to the exiles in Babylon was God's word on the subject of hope which said that the Lord had a plan and because of the Lord's plan, God's people had "*hope and a future.*" When finally, Judah had no hope, at least no hope in their own ability to save themselves, then the word of the Lord through Jeremiah became their only hope. Our assignment and our calling as followers of Jesus is to search and rescue the wandering souls—to give them hope, a God-centered hope, like Jeremiah did. Once again, we welcome you to Ken Mawr today. *-Pastor Karl*

News You Can Use

TRUNK OR TREAT – October 26, 2025

4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Come one come all to Trunk or Treat in the KMUPC Parking lot. Bring your kids and youth to enjoy a safe place to enjoy treats and games. If you can donate your time, trunk and treats for the kids and youth, please sign up on the list in the office, narthex or by calling the church office at 412-331-2863. Let's make this a great time for our families!

Elder of the Month	Jimmy Heckethorn
Deacons of the Month	Michelle Altenof/Tony Cario
Clerk of Session	Diane Kuffner
Moderator of Deacons	Cheryl Simchak
Nursery	Brooke Bischak
Children's Church	Louise Schoppe
Musicians.....	Alex Weibel, Guitar/Mitchell Fleischman, Bass
Counters	Joe McCormick/Renee Trunick
Van Driver.....	Tony Tresky
Flower Deliver	Cindy and Dan Koller

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Service of Worship

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Preparing for Worship

“With a Heart of Praise”

Welcome

Mission Moment (11:00)

Call to Worship

Prayer of Adoration

GIVE PRAISE AND THANKS TO GOD

*Hymns of Praise #663

“God’s Holy Ways Are Just and True”

*Prayer of Confession

God and Father of all, you have willed that the last shall be first, and you have made a little child the measure of your kingdom. Forgive our foolishness when we claw and compete for your good gifts. Forgive the scarcity of deeds we do in the humility that comes from your wisdom. Grant us that wisdom which is from above, so we may understand that, in your sight, the one who serves is the greatest of all. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. 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!**

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.

Offering and Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

*Hymn of Faith #427

"You Are My All in All"

GOD'S WORD READ AND PROCLAIMED

Scripture

Jeremiah 29:1, 4-14a

1 This is the text of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the surviving elders among the exiles and to the priests, the prophets and all the other people Nebuchadnezzar had carried into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon. 4 This is what the LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, says to all those I carried into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: 5 "Build houses and settle down; plant gardens and eat what they produce. 6 Marry and have sons and daughters; find wives for your sons and give your daughters in marriage, so that they too may have sons and daughters. Increase in number there; do not decrease. 7 Also, seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you into exile. Pray to the LORD for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper." 8 Yes, this is what the LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, says: "Do not let the prophets and diviners among you deceive you. Do not listen to the dreams you encourage them to have. 9 They are prophesying lies to you in my name. I have not sent them," declares the LORD. 10 This is what the LORD says: "When seventy years are completed for Babylon, I will come to you and fulfill my good promise to bring you back to this place. 11 For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. 12 Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. 13 You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. 14 I will be found by you," declares the LORD, "and will bring you back from captivity. (NIV)

Sermon

"The Letter"

*A Morning Prayer (from “Everyday Prayers” by William Barclay)

O God, our Father, deliver us this day from all that would keep us from serving you and from serving our fellow human beings as we ought. Deliver us from all coldness of heart; and grant that neither our hand nor our heart may ever remain shut to the appeal of someone’s need. Deliver us from all weakness of will; from the indecision which cannot make up its mind; from the irresolution which cannot abide by a decision once it is made; from the inability to say “no” to the tempting voices which come to us from inside and from outside. Deliver us from all failure in endeavor; from being too easily discouraged; from giving up and giving in too soon; from allowing any task to defeat us, because it is difficult. Grant unto us this day the love which is generous in help; the determination which is steadfast in decision; the perseverance which is enduring unto the end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GO IN GOD’S NAME

*Sending Hymn #78

“God of the Ages, History’s Maker”

*Benediction

**ALL ARE INVITED TO STAND*

Thank you for worshipping with us.

TODAY’S BENEVOLENCE: Hosanna Industries, Inc. is a faith-rooted 501(c)3 non-profit organization in southwestern Pennsylvania. The mission includes new construction and repair/rehabilitation services for low income homeowners; leading volunteers in disaster recovery; and training young people in the trade skills to give them hope for the future. Our typical single client household last year had an annual income of less than seventeen thousand dollars. Since our founding in 1990 Hosanna Industries, Inc. has provided over fifty million dollars’ worth of charitable work to the community for less than fifteen million dollars. Hosanna Industries relies on the generosity of others to help neighbors in need.

TODAY AT KMUPC

October 12, 2025

Worship Services/Communion	8:30 and 11:00
Sunday School	9:45
Children's Church	11:00

THIS WEEK AT KMUPC

Monday	Girl Scouts	6:30
Tuesday	Garden Club.....	10:30
	Esther Circle	6:30
Wednesday	Jackie's Lunch Bunch	12:30
	Fall Fellowship Dinner	5:30
	J.A.M.	6:00
	The Lord is My Shepherd (sanctuary).....	6:30
	Choir Practice	7:00
Thursday	Food Pantry	9:00 – 11:00
	Quilters	10:00
	Helping Hands	10:00
	Staff Meeting.....	10:00
Next Sunday	Worship Services	8:30 and 11:00
	Sunday School Classes.....	9:45
	Children's Church	11:00
	Middle School Youth Night	5:45 – 7:15

LOOKING AHEAD

October 20 – High School Youth Night 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

October 20 – Finance Team 6:00 p.m.

October 21 – Christian Ed Meeting 6:00 p.m.

October 21 – Session Meeting 7:00 p.m.

October 22 – Fall Fellowship Dinner 5:30

October 22 – J.A.M. 6:00 p.m.

October 22 – The Lord is My Shepherd Worship 6:30 p.m.



The flowers today are given in memory of our brother, Eric Betz, by
Dan and Cindy Koller.

October is Pastor Appreciation Month!

This month we celebrate and show our appreciation to our Pastors! Help us show our
gratitude for their leadership by:

~Praying for our Pastors & their spouses ~Sending a card

~Thanking them in person ~Contributing monetarily to a gift given by the church

Please remember with cards and prayers...

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
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 47th Street, New Brighton, PA 15066
Peg Harcha – 189 Williams Street, McKees Rocks, PA 15136
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
George McCurdy – (Russ' father) 1820 German Settlement Road, Ridgway, PA 15853
Roberta Meixell – 32 Eichelberger Dr., Coraopolis, PA 15108
Suzanne Murr – 1780 Pine Hollow Road, McKees Rocks, PA 15136
Ken Parme – 31 Hodgson Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15205
Julia Ramsey – 1113 Mohawk Rd., R.D. #2., McDonald, PA 15057-2553
Jeff Sammel – 145 Connie Park Drive, McKees Rocks, PA 15136
Donna Sheets – 1500 Letort Street, Apt. 910, Pittsburgh, PA 15212
Dave Smith – 1464 Critchfield Drive, Bridgeville PA 15017
Ellen Tresky – 84 Thorncrest Drive, McKees Rocks, PA 15136
Chris Willy – 5112 Keiner's Ln., Pittsburgh, PA 15205
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 – 125 Apple Blossom Way, Room 332, Moon Township, PA 15108
David Gadsby – Province of Wexford, 210 Fowler Road, Room 1030, Warrendale, PA 15086
Janet Gregory – Heritage Valley Senior Living, Rm 222, 30 Heckel Rd., McKees Rocks, PA 15136
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
Carla Winter – Concordia Bridgeville, Room 118, 3580 Washington Pike, Bridgeville, PA 15017

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

If you have any changes or updates for our prayer list, please contact Tiffany at kenmawrsecretary@comcast.net

Fall Fellowship Dinner Reservation

Wednesday, October 22, 2025

5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Sharpe Hall



Covered Dish Dinner

An entrée will be provided each week.

Entrée for October 22 – Baked chicken

Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.



*Children attending JAM (age 4 – grade 4) at 6:00 p.m. will eat first.

“The Lord Is My Shepherd”

-Paths and Shadows-

6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

*Reservations are not needed for the 30 minute service.

If you would like childcare for children under age 4, please call the church office at 412-331-2863.

Name: _____

Number attending: _____

Detach and return in the offering plate today or to the church office before October 15.