

# Ken Mawr United Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, March 31, 2024 *Easter Sunday* 

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

# Welcome to Worship!

A joyous welcome to each and every one of you on this Easter Sunday! Since the beginning of Lent, we have heard Jesus say over and over, "Do not be afraid." In John's account of the first Easter, we hear Jesus say once again, "Do not be afraid." Part of the joy of celebrating Easter is the realization that Resurrection is not just a strange and awesome event that happened 2,000 years ago, but something that happens to us here and now. Christ makes us new creatures, and with God's help we overcome every fear, discover new courage, let go of old hurts and prejudices, enter new relationships, and learn new ways of faithful living. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! *-Pastor Karl* 

# **Today at KMUPC**

- Coffee, tea and donuts 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.

# Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

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

Preparing for Worship

"Christ Is Risen, Christ Is Living"

Christ is risen, Christ is living, dry your tears, be unafraid!

Death and darkness could not hold him, nor the tomb in which he lay.

Do not look among the dead for one who lives for evermore;
tell the world that Christ is risen, make it known he goes before.

If the Lord had never risen, we'd have nothing to believe. But his promise can be trusted: 'you will live, because I live.' As we share the death of Adam, so in Christ we live again; death has lost its sting and terror, Christ is down to earth to reign.

Death has lost its old dominion, let the world rejoice and shout!
Christ the first-born of the living, gives us life and leads us out.
Let us thank our God who causes hope to spring up from the ground;
Christ is risen, Christ is giving life eternal, life profound.

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#### Welcome

# Call to Worship

This is the good news—the grave is empty; Christ is risen.

# Hallelujah!

This is the good news—the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never put it out.

# Hallelujah!

This is the good news—once we were no people; now we are God's people.

# Hallelujah!

Christ is our peace, the indestructible peace we now share with each other.

# Hallelujah!

Let us worship God with great joy and thanksgiving. Let us pray together...

# Prayer of Adoration (Unison)

Glorious Lord of life, by the mighty resurrection of your Son you overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him. Grant that we who celebrate with joy Christ's rising from the dead may be raised from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## GIVE PRAISE AND THANKS TO GOD

\*Hymn of Praise #288

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

Christ the Lord is risen today, Al-le-luia!
All creation join to say Al-le-luia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Al-le-luia!
Sing ye heavens and earth reply, Al-le-luia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Al-le-luia! Fought the fight, the battle won, Al-le-luia! Death in vain forbids him rise, Al-le-luia! Christ has opened paradise. Al-le-luia!

Lives again our glorious King, Al-le-luia! Where, O death, is now thy sting? Al-le-luia! Once he died our souls to save, Al-le-luia! Where's thy victory, O grave? Al-le-luia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Al-le-luia! Following our exalted Head, Al-le-luia! Made like him, like him we rise, Al-le-luia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Al-le-luia! Public Domain | CCLI #800917, #20719925

# \*Prayer of Confession

Gracious Father, whose mercy is higher than the heavens, wider than our wanderings, and deeper than all our sin: Receive back to yourself your bewildered and broken children. Forgive our folly and excess, our coldness to human sorrow, our passion for the things of the moment that perish in the grasping, our indifference to those treasures of the Spirit which are life and peace. Change our hearts and turn all our desires to you that we may love that which you love and do that which you command. With strength and resolve may we walk in your ways, in the service of others, and to the glory of your name. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray. Amen.

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!

<sup>\*</sup>Assurance of God's Forgiveness

<sup>\*</sup>Congregational Response

# 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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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 #291

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord,
Alleluia, Alleluia! Give praise to his name!

Come, let us praise the living God, joyfully sing to our Savior.
Alleluia, Alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord,
Alleluia, Alleluia! Give praise to his name!

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Offering and Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

# GOD'S WORD READ AND PROCLAIMED

Scripture Matthew 28:1-10

1 After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. 2 There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. 3 His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. 4 The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men. 5 The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. 6 He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. 7 Then go quickly and tell his disciples: 'He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.' Now I have told you." 8 So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. 9 Suddenly Jesus met them. "Greetings," he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshipped him. 10 Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me." (NIV)

\*Responsive Easter Psalm (Psalm 118:14-24, NIV)

The LORD is my strength and my defense;

he has become my salvation.

Shouts of joy and victory resound in the tents of the righteous:

"The LORD's right hand has done mighty things!

The LORD's right hand is lifted high;

the LORD's right hand has done mighty things!"

I will not die but live,

and will proclaim what the LORD has done.

The LORD has chastened me severely,

but he has not given me over to death.

Open for me the gates of the righteous;

I will enter and give thanks to the LORD.

This is the gate of the LORD through which the righteous may enter.

I will give you thanks,

For you answered me;

you have become my salvation.

The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone;

the LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

The LORD has done it this very day:

let us rejoice today and be glad.

# **GO IN GOD'S NAME**

\*Sending Hymn

"In Christ Alone"

In Christ alone, my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.

What heights of love, what depths of peace,
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!

My comforter, my all-in-all, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love, and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied;
for every sin on Him was laid here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, light of the world by darkness slain. Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again! And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me; for I am His and He is mine bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death—this is the power of Christ in me. From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. No power of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand; till He returns or calls me home—here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

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\*Benediction

# Thank you for worshiping with us.

**TODAY'S BENEVOLENCE:** The Easter Offering supports KMUPC mission and ministry.

April 7 - Meals on Wheels

April 14 - The Pittsburgh Project

April 21 - Open Door (Crafton Heights)

April 28 - Deacon's Fund

A **Children and Youth** Choir for Mother's Day will begin rehearsals on Sunday, April 7 immediately following the 11:00 service (12:00-12:30) in the third room in the youth wing on the lower level. See Jayne McDonald for details.



Music Camp @ Camp Lambec

July 7 – 12, 2024

Registration is open at www.camplambec.com

# The Easter Flowers are given...

In memory of Craig M. Cannella III with love from the Cannella Family

In memory of Patricia R. Chasey from Ralph Chasey

In memory of Albert & Viola Julian, Nicholas & Carole Coholic, Nicholas & Mary Coholic from Nick & Melody Coholic

In loving memory of my daughter Becky and my husband George from Sally Delp

In memory of my brother David Poole Jr from Tina Ernst & family

In memory of my grandmother Helen Davis from Tina Ernst & family

In memory of our parents: Wilbert & Laura Cusano and Warren & Viola Felter from Dan & Diane Felter

In memory of Lloyd & Nancy Freyermuth from the Freyermuth Family

In memory of Theresa Blanton from the Freyermuth Family

In memory of John & Peg Nicodemus from Peggy Harcha

In honor of our grandchildren; Magnus, Ali, Jared, Gabrielle, and Cassidy from Bill & Linda Hieber

In memory of our Mothers, Shirley Huchel & Marina Kirby from Bart & Anita Huchel

In loving memory of Arthur Kaczmarek from Carol Kaczmarek, Kirk Kaczmarek & Family, and Nicole Ehmann & Family

In honor of Tom & Katie Kappert from Aunt Kathy

In memory of Bonnie & Milt Kappert from Kathy, Tom and Katie

In memory of Reverend Harold Knappenberger from Elsie Knappenberger

In loving memory of Ben Kovach from Donna & Amy Kovach

In loving memory of Don & Gwen Calpas from the Kovach, Zaccone & Calpas Families

In honor of The Lemasters, Whisman, and Jellots families

In memory of Don Lemasters, loving father & husband from the Lemasters Family

In memory of my parents, John & Martha Lind from Gwynn Lind

In memory of Thomas Meneskie from Peggy Meneskie

In memory of my parents, Bill & Diane Mitchell from James Mitchell

In memory of loved ones from Lori Ryan

In honor of Clare Webb from Dave & Louise Schoppe

In memory of William Webb from Dave & Louise Schoppe

In memory of Charles & Betty Schoppe from Dave & Louise Schoppe

In memory of my parents Robert & Florence (Dolly) Sehn from Sherri Sehn

In honor of Loretta Osborne from Tom & Cheryl Simchak

In memory of Marion Simchak from Tom & Cheryl Simchak

In honor of Thekla, Vera, Moses and Greta Skowron from Lari & Willy Skowron

In memory of Jordon W Skowron from Lari & Willy Skowron

In memory of Robert Tresky from Ellen Tresky & Family

In memory of Victoria Cersosimo from Claudia Tyler

In memory of Gina Gossett from Claudia Tyler

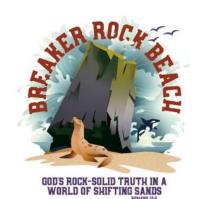
In memory of deceased members of the Joseck and Vadas Families from Mark & Pam Vadas



# **SAVE THE DATE!**

KMUPC Vacation Bible School July 21 – 25, 2024 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

"Kids will be challenged as they discover that God's truth never changes, everyone needs Jesus, and learn to speak the truth in love."



# You are invited....

Mary Pappert School of Music Duquesne University Recitals – PNC Recital Hall

These musicians have played for worship and will be presenting graduation requirement recitals. The recitals are free. Parking is available in the Forbes Ave. garage.

Mitchell Fleischman, bass Alex Weibel, guitar April 14 at 7:30 p.m. April 19 at 7:00 p.m.

**MEALS ON WHEELS** will be holding a Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser on Sunday, April 7 from 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 at Christ Community Church, 900 Chartiers Ave., McKees Rocks, PA. Adults \$10 Children \$5. Take-out is available.





## Kennedy Garden Club Spring Festival

The Spring Festival will be held on Saturday, May 11 at Fairhaven Park from Noon – 4:00 p.m. There will be many plants for sale, of course, but a bake sale, food trucks and more than 50 vendors will be featured as well. Admission is free.

APRIL is Youth in Worship Month

## **CHURCH STAFF**

PASTOR	Rev. Dr. Karl McDonald
COMMISSIONED PASTOR	Louise Schoppe
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	Tiffany Kelly
TREASURER/SENIOR ACCOUNTAIN	NT Saundra Kent
ASSISTANT TREASURER	Lori Ryan
LIVE STREAM TECHNICIAN	Cameron Brown
AUDIO/PERCUSSION	Adam Kantz
J.A.M. DIRECTOR	Chrissy Cannella
HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM DIRECT	OR Katie Herman
CUSTODIAN	P.J. O'Reilly

#### **VOLUNTEERS IN MINISTRY**

CLERK OF SESSION	Diane Kuffner
MODERATOR OF DEACONS	Cheryl Simchak
MUSIC DIRECTOR	Jayne McDonald
NURSERY COORDINATOR	Tina Ernst
ELDER OF THE MONTH	Ken Barth
DEACONS OF THE MONTH	Tony Tresky/Val Kamenar

# Today's Nursery Care Schedule:

8:30 - Diane Kuffner 9:45 - Marlene Chioda 11:00 - Rachel and Allie Ramsey

# Thank you ~

Ken Mawr Choir

Trumpet – Richard Smith

Bass – Mitchell Fleschman

Children's Church – Louise Schoppe Children's Church Helpers: Aundraya, Abi, Seth

Counters: Bart Huchel/Bill and Linda Kent

Van Driver: Tony Tresky

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Children's C	hurch	11:00
THIS WEEK AT KMUPC		
Monday –	Al Anon	7:30
Tuesday –	Lifewise	9:00
-	Lord's Lambs	1:00
	Christ Ed/S.S. Teachers Mtg	7:00
Wednesday-	- JAM	
	Choir practice	
Thursday -	Quilters	10:00
	Staff Meeting	11:00
	Lifewise	12:30
Saturday –	Memorial Service	
Sunday –	Worship Services	8:30 and 11:00
	Children's Church	11:00
	Children/Youth Choir	12:00
	Confirmation Class	4:00 - 6:00
	High School Youth Group	6:00

#### LOOKING AHEAD

April 9 - Esther Circle

April 12 – HSYG Event

April 13 – Men's Breakfast

April 14 – Worship services

April 14 - Children's Choir

April 14 – Confirmation Class

April 15 – Finance Meeting

April 16 - Session meeting

April 17 – Lunch Bunch

April 21 – Worship services

April 21 - Children's Choir

April 21 - Deacon's Meeting

April 23 – Election Day (First floor closed)

April 27 – Mom's Day Out

April 28 - Worship services

April 28 - Children's Choir

April 28 – Confirmation Class



A special thank you for all of the helpers who facilitated this season's Lenten Dinners. Thank you to those who communicated with the caterer, set up the room, brought bread and yummy food to share, and served and cleaned up during the event. It's always a special time for fellowship, and we appreciate your support and participation. -The Mission Committee

#### AT HOME

Betty Borden – 2133 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

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Alice Davis – (Amy Savatt's mother) – 29 Enlow Road, Imperial, PA 15126

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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

Pea Harcha – 189 Williams Street, McKees Rocks, PA 15136

Patricia Hildebrand – 2027 McKees Rocks Rd., McKees Rocks, PA 15136

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Dee Young – 400 Adams Drive, Apt 106, McKees Rocks, PA 15136

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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

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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

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