



Ken Mawr United Presbyterian Church

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

Welcome to Worship!

I greet you in Jesus' name and I warmly welcome you to Ken Mawr on Mother's Day! Today we say "thank you" to all moms, stepmothers, grandmothers and mother figures. Today we're opening the book of Psalms to discover the sort of work we can do. Verse 1 says, *"I will sing of your love and justice; to you, LORD, I will sing praise."* This is authentic, true worship. Old Testament scholar Tremper Longman says that "Psalm 101 is a psalm that directs our wills by example. Other Psalms also place before us examples of righteous behavior particularly in the area of worship. That is where this Psalm begins. We not only learn more about God, the object of our worship, but also how we should worship." Psalm 101 is a beautiful and honest invitation to Worship, Purity and Justice. On Mother's Day we often say, "A mother's work is never done." In the 101st Psalm, we find inspiring and challenging answers to the question, "What work can I do?" So none of us can really say our work is done. *-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 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.
- **The nursery (ages infant–4)** is open for parents to use. It is 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 are also coloring and activity books for children to use during the service at the main door of the church.
- **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

Preparing for Worship

“Ceaseless Praise”

Welcome

Teacher Appreciation

Call to Worship

Prayer of Adoration

GIVE PRAISE AND THANKS TO GOD

*Hymn of Praise #35

“Morning Has Broken”

**Morning has broken like the first morning,
black-bird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!**

**Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,
like the first dewfall on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
sprung in completeness where his feet pass.**

**Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning
born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation, praise every morning,
God's recreation of the new day!**

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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 fitfully; concern for ourselves crowds out...

the compassion we should feel 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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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.

Announcements

Offering and Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

*Hymn of Faith

"Jesus, Strong and Kind"

**Jesus said that if I thirst, I should come to Him.
No one else can satisfy, I should come to Him.
Jesus said, if I am weak, I should come to Him.
No one else can be my strength, I should come to Him.
For the Lord is good and faithful, He will keep us day and night.
We can always run to Jesus, Jesus, strong and kind.**

**Jesus said that if I fear, I should come to Him.
No one else can be my shield, I should come to Him.
For the Lord is good and faithful, He will keep us day and night.
We can always run to Jesus, Jesus, strong and kind.**

**Jesus said, if I am lost, He will come to me.
And He showed me on that cross, He will come to me.
For the Lord is good and faithful, He will keep us day and night.
We can always run to Jesus, Jesus, strong and kind.**

**For the Lord is good and faithful, He will keep us day and night.
We can always run to Jesus, Jesus, strong and kind, Jesus, strong and kind.**

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GOD'S WORD READ AND PROCLAIMED

Scripture

Psalm 101 (Of David)

1 I will sing of steadfast love and justice; to you, O LORD, I will make music. 2 I will ponder the way that is blameless. Oh when will you come to me? I will walk with integrity of heart within my house; 3 I will not set before my eyes anything that is worthless. I hate the work of those who fall away; it shall not cling to me. 4 A perverse heart shall be far from me; I will know nothing of evil. 5 Whoever slanders his neighbor secretly I will destroy. Whoever has a haughty look and an arrogant heart I will not endure. 6 I will look with favor on the faithful in the land, that they may dwell with me; he who walks in the way that is blameless shall minister to me. 7 No one who practices deceit shall dwell in my house; no one who utters lies shall continue before my eyes. 8 Morning by morning I will destroy all the wicked in the land, cutting off all the evildoers from the city of the LORD.
(ESV)

Sermon

“What Work Can I Do?”

*A Call to Perseverance—Hebrews 12:1-3, NIV

Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

**We are his children, the fruit of his suffering,
Saved and redeemed by his blood;
Called to be holy, a light to the nations,
Clothed with his power, filled with his love.
*Go forth in his name, proclaiming "Jesus reigns!"
Now is the time for the church to arise
And proclaim him "Jesus, Savior, Redeemer and Lord"*
*Repeat***

**Countless the souls that are stumbling in darkness,
Why do we sleep in the light?
Jesus commands us to go make disciples,
This is our cause, this is the fight.
*Go forth in his name, proclaiming "Jesus reigns!"
Now is the time for the church to arise
And proclaim him "Jesus, Savior, Redeemer and Lord"*
*Repeat***

**Listen, the wind of the Spirit is blowing,
The end of the age is so near;
Powers in the earth and the heavens are shaking.
Jesus our Lord Soon shall appear.
*Go forth in his name, proclaiming "Jesus reigns!"
Now is the time for the church to arise
And proclaim him "Jesus, Savior, Redeemer and Lord"*
*Repeat***

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*Benediction

Thank you for worshiping with us.

TODAY'S BENEVOLENCE: Family Guidance exists to bring hope and a future in Jesus Christ to vulnerable children and families of all cultures throughout western Pennsylvania. Through mentoring programs and their Promise Camp, Family Guidance has been reaching at-risk youth with the love of Jesus since 1964. KMUPC has supported this ministry for over 30 years.

May 18 - Good Samaritan Fund

May 25 - Camp Crestfield

A thank you to our teachers...

From nursery to adults, the teachers at KMUPC make a difference. Learning and studying the Word of God is the path to knowing God and understanding the Christian faith. Each and every Sunday school class brings God's message of love and reconciliation through Jesus Christ to life. Thank you.

Teachers, youth workers and adult leadership are essential to growth in faith. Together these leaders are growing the foundation of faith and for that we are grateful. The tireless efforts of each person in the Christian Ed department including Sunday school, youth programs, adult classes and Bible studies are appreciated more than words can express.



COME JOIN US!

JUNE 29, 2025
4:00 P.M.

BRING A SIDE DISH TO SHARE
TABLE SERVICE IS PROVIDED.

FAIRHAVEN PARK
ANDREWS PAVILION



MAGNIFIED VBS – July 27-31, 2025

See Pastor Louise or Claudia Tyler for details.

Sign-up online to volunteer.

All volunteer sign-ups must be submitted by May 31.

SAVE the DATES for training on June 10 at 7:00 p.m. and July 1 at 7:00 p.m.

Standard clearances are required. All are free.

Registration is open for children and youth age 4 – Grade 8 completion.

There is no cost for VBS but donations are gratefully accepted toward the VBS program.

MAGNIFIED VBS 2025 – 6:00 p.m. – 8:15 p.m.

Discovering the Bigness of God in the smallest of things!

Psalm 34:3





We're excited to announce that our annual Vacation Bible School “Magnified!” will be held on July 27-31, 2025 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:15 p.m. at Ken Mawr Church. We appreciate all your help in the past and would love to have your help this July in order to make this year's VBS a success!

We're looking for volunteers to help with a variety of roles, including:

- Crew leaders
- Decorating
- Clean up
- Family celebration event on Thursday evening
- Helpers in various areas, including games, crafts, Bible story and snacks

This is an important outreach opportunity that allows us to connect with kids and families, share the love of God, and make a real impact on our community.

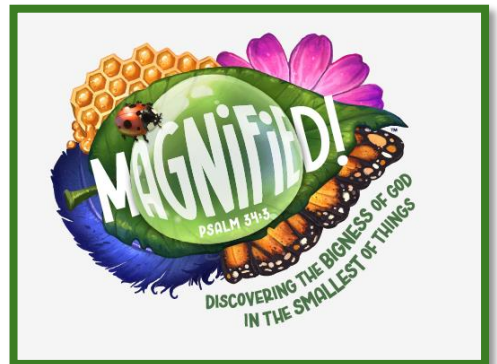
Youth volunteers must have completed grade 9. We'll also be holding a VBS Volunteer Trainings on June 10 at 7 p.m. and July 1 at 7 p.m. Choose the date that works best for you. Standard clearances are needed for volunteers over the age of 18.

In order to provide training, communicate information and collect clearances, our volunteer staff registration deadline is **May 31**.

To sign up, please visit the Ken Mawr Church website and click on the link provided.

If you have any questions, please contact our VBS director, Claudia Tyler at 412-491-8950 or Pastor Louise at 412-331-2863. We look forward to having you join us!

God’s blessings to you,
The Ken Mawr VBS Team



CHURCH STAFF

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

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

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
Lynne Bryan
Cheryl Simchak/Lauri Pickard

~ THANK YOU ~

Children's Church: Louise Schoppe

Bass: Mitchell Fleischman

Flutes: Izzy Baldauff and Brinley Price

Counters: Renee Trunick/Craig Hinden

Van Driver: Tom McCullough

Flower Delivery: Amy Schmidt/Cheryl Simchak



The flowers today are given in loving memory of Alberta Ober & Margaret Hieber from Bill & Linda Hieber and in loving memory of my husband, Thomas, on his birthday from Peggy Meneskie.

TODAY AT KMUPC

May 11, 2025

Worship Services/Teacher Recognition.....	8:30 and 11:00
Sunday School	9:45

THIS WEEK AT KMUPC

Monday	Girl Scouts	6:30
Tuesday	Esther Circle	7:00
Wednesday	JAM	6:00
	Choir	7:00
	HS Girls Bible Study	7:15
Thursday	Helping Hands	10:00
	Quilters	10:00
	Staff Meeting	10:00
Sunday	Worship Services/Graduate Recognition.....	8:30 and 11:00
	Work Camp/Week of Hope meeting	10:00
	Deacons Meeting.....	12:00
	Middle School Youth Night	5:45 – 7:15

LOOKING AHEAD

- May 19 – Finance Meeting 6:00 p.m.
- May 20 – Election Day
- May 20 – Christian Ed meeting 6:00 p.m., Session 7:00 p.m.
- May 21 – Jackie’s Lunch Bunch 12:30
- May 21 - Choir 7:00 p.m./HS Girls Bible Study 7:15 p.m.
- May 26 – Memorial Day Prayer service 8:30 a.m.
- May 28 - Choir 7:00 p.m./HS Girls Bible Study 7:15 p.m.



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 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
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
Robertta Meixell – 32 Eichelberger Dr., Coraopolis, PA 15108
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
Julia Ramsey – 1113 Mohawk Rd., R.D. #2., McDonald, PA 15057-2553
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 – 125 Apple Blossom Way, Room 332, Moon Township, PA 15108
David Gadsby – Province 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
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