



Ken Mawr United Presbyterian Church

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February 8, 2026

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

Welcome to Worship!

Welcome to Ken Mawr! The real proof of the power of the gospel is in changed lives. What authenticated Paul's ministry was "*a demonstration of the Spirit's power*" (v. 4). The gospel's most powerful argument is not in great sermons preached but in the change it brings about in people's lives. I studied all the rational arguments for immortality in a philosophy of religion class I once took. We studied how the great minds of different cultures through the centuries dealt with questions related to death and the afterlife. I thought when I became a pastor that all this knowledge would help me as I dealt with people who were facing death. When I first sat in the hospital room with a woman who had been told by her doctors that she was dying and there was nothing they could do, I realized how useless all human theories about death and dying really are. But when I watched this Christian woman draw upon the resources of her faith in the Risen Lord to face death without fear, I realized the greatest argument for immortality is one Christian person who has found meaning in life and hope in death by the power of the gospel. Glad you're here today!

—Pastor Karl

**FAMILY NIGHT –
FINDING GOD'S LOVE**

Sunday, February 15, 2026

Please see registration links:
www.kenmawrchurch.org

Elders and Deacons

Leadership Training

Saturday, February 28, 2026

Deacons – 10:30 – 12:00

Lunch together at Noon

Elders 1:00 – 2:30

Pastor	The Rev. Dr. Karl McDonald
Commissioned Pastor	Louise Schoppe
Administrative Assistant	Tiffany Kelly
Treasurer/Accountant	Nancy Gilkey
Assistant Treasurer	Lori Ryan
Elder of the Month	Melissa McCormick
Deacons of the Month	Barb and Craig Cannella
Clerk of Session	Diane Kuffner
Children's Church	Louise Schoppe
Musicians	Alex Weibel/Mitchell Fleischman
Counters	Linda and Bill Kent/Joe McCormick
Van Driver	Tony Tresky
Flower Delivery	Nick and Melody Coholic

The Service of Worship

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Preparing for Worship

"Have This Mind Among You"

Welcome

Call to Worship

Prayer of Adoration

GIVE PRAISE AND THANKS TO GOD

*Hymns of Praise #64

"O God Beyond All Praising"

*Prayer of Confession

Righteous God, in Christ you became sin for us. You took what we are so that we might become what you are. But we confess that often we ignore our sin. We confess that too often we do not confess. We keep silent about the sin that clings to us. But our sins are too great a burden for us. Forgive us. In Christ, take away our iniquity. You are our stronghold and our hiding place. We confess our sins, so that we might rejoice and be glad in you and in the righteousness that flows over us like a mighty stream of grace. In Christ's name, 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! 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.

Offering and Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn of Faith

"Shine on Us"

**Lord, let Your light, light of Your face, shine on us.
Lord, let Your light, light of Your face, shine on us.
That we may be saved, that we may have life
To find our way in the darkest night.
Let your light shine on us.**

**Lord, let your grace, grace from Your hand, fall on us.
Lord, let your grace, grace from Your hand, fall on us.
That we may be saved, that we may have life
To find our way in the darkest night.
Let Your grace fall on us.**

**Lord, let your love, love with no end, come over us.
Lord, let your love, love with no end, come over us.
That we may be saved, that we may have life
To find our way in the darkest night.
Let Your love come over us. Let your grace fall on us.
Let Your light shine on us.**

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GOD'S WORD READ AND PROCLAIMED

Scripture

1 Corinthians 1:31-2:12

³¹ *Therefore, as it is written: "Let the one who boasts boast in the Lord."*
2 *And so it was with me, brothers and sisters. When I came to you, I did not come with eloquence or human wisdom as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God. ² For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ³ I came to you in weakness with great fear and trembling. ⁴ My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, ⁵ so that your faith might not rest on human wisdom, but on God's power. ⁶ We do, however, speak a message of wisdom among the mature, but not the wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are coming to nothing. ⁷ No, we declare God's wisdom, a mystery that has been hidden and that God destined for our glory before time*

began. ⁸None of the rulers of this age understood it, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹However, as it is written: “What no eye has seen, what no ear has heard, and what no human mind has conceived” - the things God has prepared for those who love him— ¹⁰these are the things God has revealed to us by his Spirit. The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. ¹¹For who knows a person’s thoughts except their own spirit within them? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. ¹²What we have received is not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may understand what God has freely given us. (NIV)

Sermon

“God’s Wisdom Unites”

*A Profession of Our Faith—based on Philippians 2:6-11

**I believe Christ Jesus was in the form of God
and did not count equality with God
a thing to be grasped.
He emptied himself,
took the form of a servant,
and was born in our own likeness.
I believe he humbled himself
and became obedient unto death.
I believe God has highly exalted him
and bestowed on him the name
that is above every name.
I believe that at the name of Jesus
every knee shall bow,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth.
I believe that every tongue will confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord
to the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

GO IN GOD’S NAME

*Sending Hymn #502

“Be Thou My Vision”

*Benediction

**All are invited to stand*

Thank you for worshipping with us.

TODAY AT KMUPC

	February 8, 2026
Worship Services/Souper Bowl of Caring Collection.....	8:30 and 11:00
Congregational Meeting	9:30
Sunday School	9:45
Children's Church.....	11:00
Middle School Youth Night	5:45 – 7:15

THIS WEEK AT KMUPC

Monday	High School Youth Night.....	6:00 – 8:00
Tuesday	Lifewise.....	9:00 – 3:30
	Esther Circle	7:00
Thursday	Lifewise	8:30 – 3:00
	Food Pantry.....	9:00 – 11:00
	Quilters	10:00
	Staff Meeting	10:00
Next Sunday	Worship Services.....	8:30 and 11:00
	Sunday School	9:45
	Children's Church	11:00
	Deacons Meeting.....	12:00
	Family Night.....	5:00

LOOKING AHEAD

February 16 – Finance Meeting
February 17 – Christian Ed Meeting
February 17 – Session Meeting
February 18 – Ash Wednesday/Lenten Dinners begin
February 19 – Helping Hands



Today's flowers are given in loving memory of my husband Thomas Meneskie, from Peggy Meneski.

TODAY'S BENEVOLENCE: Since 1984, Witnessing Ministries of Christ has worked to bring education and empowerment to Dalit children in rural India. Through the work of indigenous teachers and staff at established school centers, children living in extreme poverty have the opportunity to access a full education, from primary school to through university.



Music Camp is July 12 – 17, 2026
Registration is open

<https://lambec.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/3256635>

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

IN CARE AND REHABILITATION FACILITIES

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
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

Lenten Dinner Reservation Form

**5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Sharpe Hall**

Covered Dish Dinner

An entrée will be provided each week.
Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

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

Worship

6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

***Reservations are not needed for the 30 minute service.**

Please call the church office for child care for children under age 4.

412-331-2863

February 18 Dinner – Due February 11

Entrée – Roast Beef

Name: _____

Number attending: _____

February 25 Dinner – Due February 18

Entrée - Pasta/Meatballs

Name: _____

Number attending: _____