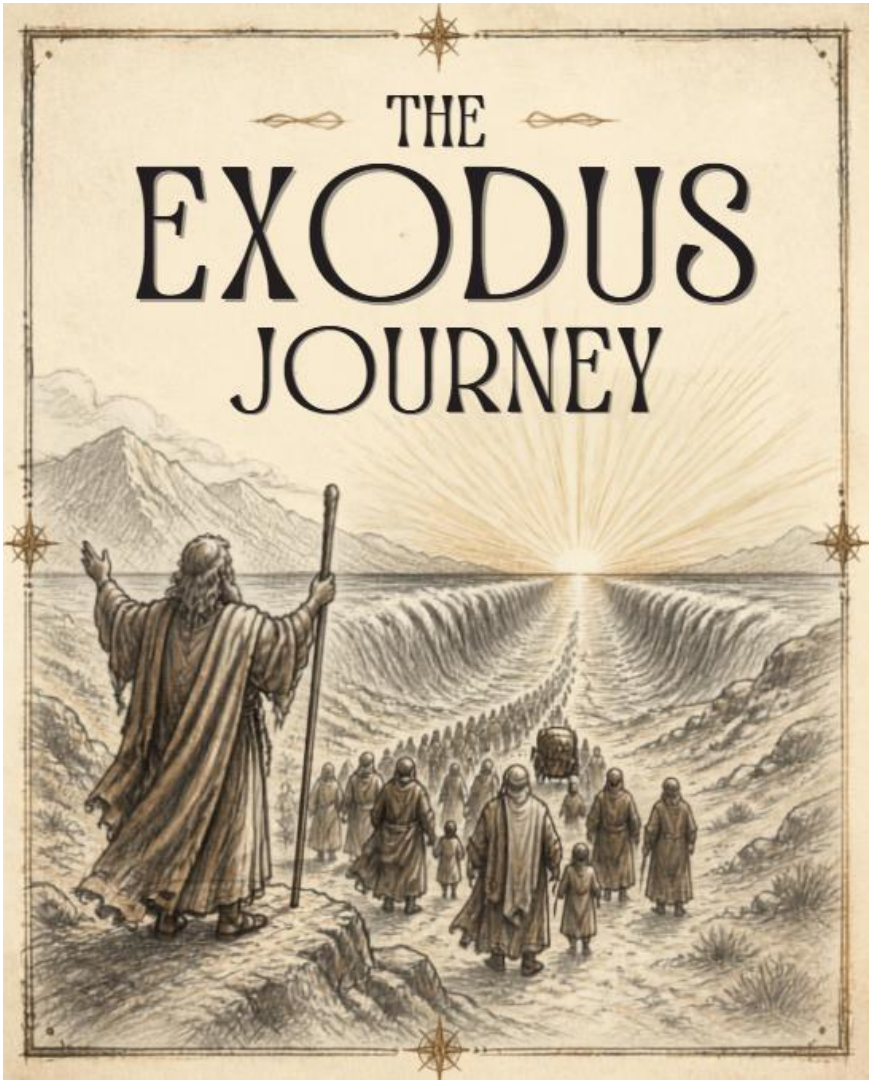
Ken Mawr United Presbyterian Church



October 18, 2026

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

Welcome!

I welcome you to this hour of worship among the kind and loving people of Ken Mawr Church! Imagine yourself on a desert island like the ones you see in cartoons—a little pile of sand with one palm tree under a blazing sun surrounded by circling sharks. If you could have one thing on that desert island, what would it be? What do you need most to survive on a desert island? Water, food, shelter, a boat, an iPhone? Now, stop imagining and change the picture to fit Exodus 33 and our own situation. We're in a desert, wandering through the wilderness on our way to the Promised Land. What do we need most to survive in this wilderness? What is the one thing we absolutely must have to make it to the Promised Land? I would say to the Lord exactly what Moses said: *"How will anyone know that you are pleased with me and with your people unless you go with us?"* God is with us! Is there anything more important for us to have? It's great to have you worship with us today! *-Pastor Karl*

Trunk or Treat is **today from 4:00 – 5:30**. Everyone is welcome to join in the fun co-sponsored by the Evangelism and Christian Education Teams. Come and enjoy the fun!

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The Service of Worship

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Preparing for Worship "Rain Down"

Welcome

Call to Worship

Prayer of Adoration

GIVE PRAISE AND THANKS TO GOD

*Hymn of Praise #48 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

*Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we realize that you know us more intimately than we know ourselves. We come before you now asking that you show us our sin, make us aware of our failings, and open our eyes to our brokenness. We are wandering sheep that have gone our own way. We need your wisdom and guidance and law to show us the path of truth and life, for we are lost without your grace. Give us true repentance that only comes from you. Do your transforming work in us so that we can live as your redeemed people in the world. In Jesus' 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

Children PreK–Grade 4 are invited to children's church and 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 #18 "The Name of the Lord"

GOD'S WORD READ AND PROCLAIMED

Scripture Exodus 33:12-23

12 Moses said to the Lord, "You have been telling me, 'Lead these people,' but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. You have said, 'I know you by name and you have found favor with me.' 13 If you are pleased with me, teach me your ways so I may know you and continue to find favor with you. Remember that this nation is your people." 14 The Lord replied, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." 15 Then Moses said to him, "If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here. 16 How will anyone know that you are pleased with me and with your people unless you go with us? What else will distinguish me and your people from all the other people on the face of the earth?" 17 And the Lord said to Moses, "I will do the very thing you have asked, because I am pleased with you and I know you by name." 18 Then Moses said, "Now show me your glory." 19 And the Lord said, "I will cause all my goodness to pass in front of you, and I will proclaim my name, the Lord, in your presence. I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion. 20 But," he said, "you cannot see my face, for no one may see me and live." 21 Then the Lord said, "There is a place near me where you may stand on a rock. 22 When my glory passes by, I will put you in a cleft in the rock and cover you with my hand until I have passed by. 23 Then I will remove my hand and you will see my back; but my face must not be seen." (NIV)

Sermon "Unless You Go with Us"

*What I Believe—from the Heidelberg Catechism

I believe that the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
Who out of nothing created heaven and earth and everything in them, Who still upholds and rules them by his eternal counsel and providence, is my God and Father because of Christ his Son.
I trust him so much that I do not doubt he will provide whatever I need for body and soul, and he will turn to my good whatever adversity he sends me in this sad world.
He is able to do this because he is almighty God; he desires to do this because he is a faithful Father. The Lord reigns!

GO IN GOD'S NAME

*Sending Hymn "His Glory and My Good"

I have seen my Father's glory, revealed in Jesus Christ
And the more that I behold Him, the more He satisfies
When I gaze upon His beauty, when I see Him as I should
Then my eyes are lifted upward for His glory and my good

There is hope in every trial for I can trust the Lord
He will turn my heart towards Him and help me bear the thorn
So in faith I follow Jesus on the road not understood
For I know that He is working for His glory and my good

To our God be the glory, to our God be praise
He alone, the name above all names
I will boast ever only in the Lord my God
For I know His glory is my good

See the open arms of Jesus upon the cross that day
What they understood as weakness deserves my every praise
For the charge that was against me it was nailed into the wood
Yes I know that He has saved me for His glory and my good

To our God be the glory, to our God be praise
He alone, the name above all names
I will boast ever only in the Lord my God
For I know His glory is my good

Would I gladly be made nothing that Christ would be made more
Would I seek the only kingdom that far outweighs them all
I will stand before my Father where the faithful saints have stood
And with joy my heart shall praise Him for His glory and my good

To our God be the glory, to our God be praise
He alone, the name above all names
I will boast ever only in the Lord my God
For I know His glory is my good – for I know His glory is my good.
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*Benediction

Thank you for worshipping with us.

TODAY'S BENEVOLENCE: The Focus on Renewal Sto-Rox Neighborhood Corporation, or F.O.R. for short, was founded in 1969. F.O.R. founders led a group of mobilized citizens and community activists to create an umbrella organization for much needed social services now ranging from food security, nutrition, early-childhood education, support groups and mental health to arts programs for all ages and small business incubation. F.O.R. aims to support the people in our community through programs for all ages to contribute to the development of a healthy mind, body and spirit.

October 25 – Salam Medical Center
November 1 – Healthy Start
November 8 – Presbyterian Federated Chaplaincies
November 15 – Camp Lambec

TODAY AT KMUPC **October 18, 2026**

Worship Services	8:30 and 11:00
Sunday School	9:45
Children's Church	11:00
Deacons Meeting	12:00
Trunk or Treat	4:00 – 5:30

THIS WEEK AT KMUPC

Tuesday	Coffee & Connections	9:30 – 11:00
	Christian Ed Meeting	6:00
	Session Meeting	7:00
Wednesday	Jackie's Lunch Bunch	12:30
	Fall Fellowship Dinner	5:30
	J.A.M.	6:00
	Worship in the Sanctuary	6:30 – 7:00
Thursday	Food Pantry	9:00 – 11:00
	Staff Meeting	10:00
Next Sunday	Worship Services	8:30 and 11:00
	Sunday School	9:45
	Children's Church	11:00
	Middle School Youth Night	5:45 – 7:15
	High School Youth Night/Bible Study	6:00 – 8:00

LOOKING AHEAD

October 27 – Sunday School Teachers Meeting
October 28 – Fall Fellowship Dinner
November 4 – Lord's Lambs **Please note the date*

The flowers are given in memory of Sarah B. Moslener by Mike and Sandy Moschak.

There are still a few flower dates open through the end of this calendar year. Please contact Lindsey at the church office or at admin@kenmawrchurch.org to reserve a date for the remaining weeks of 2026 or any time in 2027. Dates do not carry over. Thank you.

Each Mortal Thing

Each Mortal Thing is the inaugural release by the brand new musical project Brother Sister. Written in 2026, this second release from Re:Echo Records was recorded and produced by Christopher and Jeremy McDonald at Black Birch Recording. Each Mortal Thing blends acoustic, experimental, folk, ambient, and orchestral styles, drawing from the rich relational and musical history of its artists. Inspired by the poetry of Gerard Manley Hopkins, the Psalms, the writings of fifth-century mystics, and the city of Philadelphia, these songs keep the unhurried pace of perseverance for the long road of living. Nature grounds the entire album both lyrically and sonically, like a breath prayer might align body and spirit. To listen to this worship album, go to https://linktr.ee/brothersistermusic which will give you options to listen at Spotify, Apple Music or Tidal. Coming to Band Camp soon.

2026 KMUPC Food Pantry
Thanksgiving
FOOD DRIVE

Please help us provide Thanksgiving meals for families facing hunger.

Collecting Food Now through November 15th

We help to collect the following foods:

- Canned Cranberry Sauce
- Canned Gravy
- Corn Bread Mix
- Stuffing Mix
- Instant Mashed Potatoes
- Canned Mushroom Soup
- Canned Green Beans
- Monetary Donations are always welcome
- Chicken Broth
- Canned Yams
- Canned Corn

MADE FOR MORE

OCTOBER DATES:

Join us for our remaining events:

October 18 - Trunk or Treat at 4:00 - 5:30 - come help at our middle school table with crafts for a little while and check out the trunks for yummy treats!

October 25 - Youth Night at 5:45 - 7:15 Snack Extravaganza

Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Proverbs

Middle School News

Christmas Pageant Schedule

2026 CHRISTMAS PAGEANT
"'Twas the Night Before Christmas"

It's time once again for our annual Christmas pageant. If interested, please email Dina Roberts (robertsfamily958@gmail.com) with your child's name and age to make sure we have enough parts for everyone.

Instrumental musicians - please contact Jayne McDonald at kjmcdonald22@gmail.com to perform with the ensemble.

We will practice after Sunday School from 10:45-11:30 every week starting on Sunday, November 1. We will also have a dress rehearsal/celebration on Thursday, December 17 from 5-7. The performance will be Sunday, December 20 at 10 AM (performers will need to arrive at 9:30 to get ready).

SWEATS FOR VETS – Due December 6

We would like to thank each of you for making the Sweats for Vets drive a success each year. For those of you not familiar with this drive, each year we collect "NEW" sweat suits for the men and women who are "in" patients at the Oakland Facility. Many of the patients do not have any family members and this may be the only gift they receive.

We are starting collection now through Sunday, December 6, with monetary donations requested by Nov 29. If you would like to participate by donating a 'new' sweat suit, please bring it to the church donation room downstairs, no later than December 6. No need for tissue paper or gift bags.

ONLY MEN'S Pants Medium and Large, and MEN's tops XLG and 2XL are requested. They do NOT have to match. NO hoodies please.

Monetary contributions are also welcome, and we will do the shopping for you!

Please remember with cards and prayers…

AT HOME

Jean Bryan – c/o Sarah 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
Larry Dickson – 116 Connie Park Drive, McKees Rocks, PA 15136
Pippa Downs – 136 Marie Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15237
Marian Graham – (Jayne's aunt) 17 Penn Avenue, Greenville, PA 16125
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
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
Binker Rauschart – 205 Sarah Street, McKees Rocks, PA 15136
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
Rob Thomas – 5049 Julia Ln., McKees Rocks, PA 15136
Ellen Tresky – 84 Thorncrest Drive, McKees Rocks, PA 15136
Dorothy Triscila – 1301 Cambridge Drive, Presto, PA 15142
Carla Winter – c/o Bob and Stacey Viviano 7405 Portpatrick Court, Wake Forest, NC 27587

IN RESIDENTIAL CARE

Betty Borden –1000 Masonic Drive Sewickley, PA 15143
Elaine Crist – 500 Providence Point Blvd, Pittsburgh, PA 15243 New!
Joan Downs – 1201 Cumberland Rd, Rm 223, Pittsburgh, PA 15237 New!
David Gadsby – Province of Wexford, 210 Fowler Road, Room 1030, Warrendale, PA 15086
Janet Gregory – Concordia at Kennedy, Rm 222, 30 Heckel Rd., McKees Rocks, PA 15136
Ann Joseck – 2107 Masonic Drive, Sewickley, PA 15143
Sue Joseck – Concordia at Kennedy, Rm 203, 32 Heckel Road, McKees Rocks, PA 15136 New!
Loretta Osborne – Concordia at Kennedy, Rm 210, 32 Heckel Road, McKees Rocks, PA 15136
Peggy Ponte – Caring Heights, Room 201, 234 Coraopolis Rd., Coraopolis, PA 15108
Helen Sharpe – 125 Apple Blossom Way, Rm 251, Moon Twp, PA 15108
Virginia Shaw – Concordia at Kennedy, Rm 301, 32 Heckel Road, McKees Rocks, PA 15136
Dee Young – Concordia at Kennedy, Rm 110, 30 Heckel Road, McKees Rocks, PA 15136

IN THE MILITARY

LCpl Andrew Gregory – 21 Atlas Court, East Meadow, NY 11554
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

Fall Fellowship Dinner Reservation Form

5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Covered Dish Dinner
in Sharpe Hall
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.

J.A.M. – 6:00 – 7:00

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

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

October 28 – Deadline, October 22, 2026

Entrée – Chicken Tenders
Name: _____
Number attending: _____

Thank you to all the volunteers at each dinner! We appreciate each of you.