

# John McMillan Presbyterian Church 10:00 a.m. Worship To Know, to Glorify, and to Serve God August 10, 2025

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# Welcome to John McMillan Presbyterian Church Sunday, August 10, 2025 - 10:00 a.m.

We're glad you are here today. We are a community of people who are disciples of Jesus Christ, and it is our mission to provide a way for this community and the communities around us to know, glorify and serve God. It is our hope that our worship and fellowship today will allow us all to feel God's presence.

If you have any questions about the church, or if there is any way we can help you or pray for you, please let us know.

# The Service of the Lord's Day

**Prelude** Improvisation on "Beecher" arr. Lani Smith

## We Gather for Worship

#### Welcome & Announcements

Jim Hinerman

# \*Passing of the Peace

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise. Let us pass the peace of Christ to each other.

#### \*Introit

# \*Call to Worship (Adapted from Hebrews 11:1)

Faith is the assurance of things hoped for,
The Conviction of things not seen.
Faith is a gift to be received and treasured.
Faith should be shared with joy and thanksgiving.
Let us come before God this morning in faith!

# Hymn of Adoration #35

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

# We Are Called to Pray

## Call to Confession (Please be seated.)

# **Prayer of Confession**

God of the ages, God of the old, old story, we hear of our ancestors and are astounded by their faith.

They trusted you, but we often waver.

They believed your promises, but we cling to our own ideas.

Forgive us and free us from our fear, that we may follow you with joy wherever you may lead, through Jesus Christ our lord, Amen.

## **Time for Silent Confession** (A time of silence for personal confession)

#### **Assurance of Pardon**

From age to age, from generation to generation, God's mercy never fails. Hear the good news! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

#### \*Gloria Patri #581 (Please stand.)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

### Time With the Children

# Prayers of the People and 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.

**Special Music** 

Arise, My Soul, Arise

by Dan Forrest Carolyn Brow, Soprano Marielle Brown, Flutist

#### We Hear the Word

Word for Today

Psalm 33:12-22

Rev. Emily Miller

Application of the Word

The Big Picture

\*Hymn of Reflection #338

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

#### \*Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven
and sitteth on the right hand
of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the guick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

## We Respond in Faith

# Call for the Offering

# Collection of the Offering

## \*Doxology #609

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

# \*Prayer of Dedication

#### We Are Sent in God's Name

# \*Hymn of Discipleship #318

In Christ There is No East or West

# \*Charge and Benediction

\*Postlude Allegro Alla Marcia from First Symphony

Brahms/Whitford

Please stand if you are able.

# **Upcoming Events & Information**

#### **Flowers**

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Joe and Connie Smith in honor of their grandchildren's birthdays.

## Youth Mission Trip Reflection

We experienced God in so many ways in the hot, hot Indy sun and would love for you to come hear about it! All are welcome to join our youth mission trip participants and leaders Sunday, August 17<sup>th</sup> to chat about our adventure!

## SHIM Garden Update

The garden in flourishing and our gardeners have been busy harvesting kale, beans, tomatoes, peppers, eggplant, kohlrabi and lettuce. We just donated 55lbs of food over last weekend. You are welcome to join us as we harvest. Please contact Carolyn Brow at <a href="worb5@comcast.net">worb5@comcast.net</a> if you would like to help. All of our produce is distributed at SHIM to our neighbors who are experiencing food insecurity.

#### Calling all BAGettes!

The time is upon us to start thinking about The Christmas Affair. We are decorating 500 bags this year, so I need some BOW MAKERS to make 500 simple ribbon bows to decorate the bags - ribbon and pipe cleaners are ready and waiting. I would like to have these done by September when we'll join again in some fun bag decorating workshops. If you can help out, contact Cheryl Davies.

#### Fall Kick-off!

Come join us on September 7th for a morning of fellowship, education, and worship! We will be starting the day with a pancake breakfast, serving from 8:30am-9:30am. Adult education class will resume in the Library from 9-9:45am. Children's church will resume following the children's sermon and worship with their families. Communion will be served and the choir will be back. We look forward to seeing you!

# This Week at JMPC

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10

10:00 am Worship

3:00 pm Passion Twirl & Poms

7:00 pm Reflections Group

MONDAY, AUGUST 11

1:00 pm Pickleball

6:00 pm Yee Twirlers

TUESDAY, AUGUST 12

9:00 am Ladies Pickleball

3:00 pm Passion Twirl & Poms

8:00 pm Private Pickleball - Knopp

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13

10:00 am Staff Meeting

4:30 pm South Hills Flute Studio

THURSDAY, AUGUST 14

1:00 pm Pickleball

4:30 pm South Hills Flute Studio

4:45 pm Yee Twirlers

7:00 pm Line Dancing - Krissie Brown

FRIDAY, AUGUST 15

4:30 pm South Hills Flute Studio

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16

8:00 am South Hills Flute Lessons

8:00 am Passion Twirl & Poms

12:00 pm Steel City LUG

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17

10:00 am Worship

3:00 pm Passion Twirl & Poms

7:00 pm Reflections Group

# This Week's Birthdays



8/10 Dan Davies Marilyn Gfroerer Harold Dodd

8/11 Don Ewing
Matt Scott
Gloria Knopp
James Shubilla

8/12 Jake DePra

8/13 Phyllis Mellor

8/15 Joseph Gaudelli

8/16 Moe Arnold Linda Arnold

If we've missed your birthday, please contact the church office as we may not have it on file.

Thank you!

## JMPC Prayer Concerns

(As of Thursday, August 7, 2025)

(Please contact the Church Office with any Joys & Concerns)

## **Prayer Requests**

Prayers for Sarah Douglas and her children Lindsay and Jim on the death of Sarah's ex-husband, Ron Douglas.

Prayers for Corrine, the daughter in-law of Nancy Page's neighbor. She was just diagnosed with invasive breast cancer. They have two little boys 2 and 4.

## **Previous Prayers Requested**

Prayers for Janet Dykstra had recently had surgery and is recovering.

Prayers for Valene Scalise's nieces husband, Phil Dougherty, age 41, for a heart attack with 2 stents placed.

Prayers for Bryan Young, a friend of the Altmeyer's, who recently had complications after heart surgery.

Prayers for Cody the grandson of Martha and Don Sauter and the husband of Kristine Sauter, who was in an auto fire.

#### **Pastor Nominating Committee**

Please keep the PNC and the church in your prayers as we discern God's call for the next Pastor of JMPC.

<u>PNC Members</u>: Grace Bogdon, Mary Cullison, Jim Ellis, Betsy Gilbert, Doug Mickey, Megan Sherry, Joe Smith, Laura Waterstram, Ella Willison

### This week, please pray for:

Katie Lipp Chelsea & JR Little Emilee Little Marion & Bob Lyles Steve Masley

#### **Welcome Visitors**

We are grateful to have you join us in worship this morning and ask you to please register your name in the Friendship Pads.

Our Nursery is available during worship for children up to 3 years old in room 7. Sunday School is available during worship in room 16/18 for children 3 years old to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, September through May.

On Wednesday Nights (September through May), we gather for Kids Klub (ages 9-12, 3rd-6th grade) and Youth Group (ages 12-18, 8th-12th). We learn about God, have dinner, and join in fellowship. Bring \$3 for dinner and friends are always welcome!

To learn more about our programs, church activities & missions, we invite you to also:

Pick up a copy of our newsletter, The Interface, in the Narthex (Lobby).

Contact the church office 412-833-4704 or <a href="mailto:jmpc@johnmcmillanpc.org">jmpc@johnmcmillanpc.org</a>
Visit our website: <a href="mailto:www.johnmcmillanpc.org">www.johnmcmillanpc.org</a>
Visit us on Facebook or our YouTube channel.

#### JMPC STAFF

Ministers: All People of JMPC Music Director: Carolyn Brow

Organist: Elisabeth Jeffries

Pastor: Rev. Emily Miller

Office Manager: Alicia Kesneck

Tech/AV: Jackie Druga

Preschool Director: Kim Doughty

JMPC SESSION - Clerk: Cindy Fast

Spiritual Development: Suzie Burland, Kathleen Mazzola, Joe Smith

Outreach: Michelle Chenevert, Cheryl Davies, Lynn Willison

Resources: Bryan Durkin, Sam Page, Chris Todd

#### JMPC DEACONS

Class of 2025: Jeanie Bonnewell, Toni Sulkowski, Laura Waterstram

Class of 2026: Joann Bair, Bob Burland, Judy Willison Class of 2027: Scott Nowak, Zach Smith, Paul Zandhuis

#### Our partners in ministry

The staff of Pittsburgh Presbytery; Congregations in the South Branch of Pittsburgh Presbytery; First Presbyterian Church of Duquesne and Pastor Judi Slater; The Chigumula Church in Malawi Africa; South Hills Interfaith Movement; World Vision; Hebron USA, Chiapas Partners

### In the Event of an Emergency

August Deacon of the Month: Judy Willison

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