



John McMillan Presbyterian Church
10:00 a.m. Worship
To Know, to Glorify, and to Serve God
May 11, 2025



Welcome to John McMillan Presbyterian Church

Sunday, May 11, 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

Beautiful Savior

Arr. by G. Winston Cassher

We Gather for Worship

Welcome & Announcements

Doug Mickey

Minute for Mission

*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 (from Psalm 23)

The Lord is our shepherd;

We lack nothing.

Though we may walk through a dark valley,

We fear no evil, for God is with us.

Surely goodness and mercy will follow us all the days of our lives,

And we will dwell with God forever.

Let us worship God.

Hymn of Adoration #240

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

We Are Called to Pray

Call to Confession *(please be seated)*

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, you have shown us who you are, and yet we still struggle to believe. In Christ, you reveal your unending mercy upon us, yet we still refuse to extend that mercy to others. Forgive us, we pray, and grant us the vision of the world as you see it, a world without hunger, thirst or tears. Help us to work towards the future you desire for all. In Jesus' name, Amen.

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

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the sound of your shepherd's voice: Jesus says, I give you eternal life. Believing in me, you will never perish. This is 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.

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

Anthem

The Lily of the Valley

arr. by Lloyd Larson
Chancel Choir

I have found a friend in Jesus, He's everything to me. He's the Lily of the Valley, in Him alone I see. In sorrow He's my comfort, in trouble He's my stay. He's the fairest of ten thousand, my joy upon my way. He all my grief has taken, He all my sorrows borne. I've all for Him forsaken, from my heart all idols torn. Though all the world forsake me and Satan tempt me sore, He will never, no never leave me till my life on earth is o'er. When my life on earth is over, when I have run this race, then sweeping up to heaven, I'll see His blessed face. The Lily of the valley, He keeps me by His pow'r, His pow'r! I've found a friend in Jesus, He's the bright and Morning Star! I've found a friend in Jesus, He's my bright and Morning Star!

We Hear the Word

Word for Today

Acts 9:36-43

Rev. Emily Miller

Application of the Word

The Moment of Life

***Hymn of Reflection #324**

For All the Faithful Women

We Respond in Faith

***Affirmation of Faith**

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 quick 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.

Call for the Offering

Collection of the Offering

Offertory

Let All Things Now Living

arr. Lloyd Larson
Celebration Ringers

***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 for Mother's Day #664**

Morning Has Broken

***Charge and Benediction**

***Postlude**

Awake My Soul

Lani Smith

**Please stand if you are able.*

Upcoming Events & Information

Flower Sale

The JMPC youth is selling flowers before and after worship today, Sunday, May 11. It is a good opportunity to not only support the youth of the church but also to get a gift for the mother(s) in your life!

Blood Drive

The blood drive scheduled for today has been cancelled. We are sorry for any inconvenience.

Global 6K for Water

Join us to support World Vision's Global 6K for Water on May 17 at 8:00 a.m. at Rolling Hills Park Shelter B. Register or donate at [Global 6K For Water](#).

Christmas Affair Applications

JMPC is excited to announce its annual Christmas Affair, taking place on Saturday, November 8, from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. *The event is now accepting applications from crafters interested in participating, through May 25th.* Each year, the Christmas Affair draws more than 45 talented crafters, offering a wide variety of handmade goods and holiday treasures. Highlights of the event include the festive Gingerbread House, an exciting Chance Auction, and the ever-popular Kris Kringle Kafé. Admission is free, and all proceeds support both local and global mission efforts. Crafters who wish to apply or learn more can contact Leslie at 412-759-1634 or lesliegwb@gmail.com. Space is limited, please apply early.

SHIM Garden

May is the busiest month in the garden because most crops are planted at this time. Not only are we planting crops in the garden, but we are replacing fruit trees which were destroyed by a fungus.

Pittsburgh Tree Foundation is providing us with nine new trees. Our peach trees are being replaced by American and Asian pears and a persimmon tree which are not susceptible to the fungus. The Girl Scouts are also providing and planting four trees for us. All of the trees are provided at no cost, and all harvests will be donated to SHIM for their food pantry.

We need help! The garden and orchard require many hands to thrive. You can volunteer your time weekly or occasionally. Of course, gardening is weather-dependent so, if you would like to help, please shoot me an email at worb5@comcast.net so that you can be in the loop and be notified when we are going to be in the garden. We usually garden on Monday evenings but you can volunteer at other times, as well. It's fun and good exercise.

Listening Sessions

Would you like to have more input into our pastoral search? We hope so! On Sunday, **June 8**, immediately after worship, Pastor Emily will lead us in a "listening session". This will be a time to talk about what we value from our church's history and what we would like to see in a new pastor. The PNC needs your input to find the pastor who best fits with our church. Please plan to come to this session. Thanks for your input!

Quiet time--we are asking that morning social time be out in the narthex on Sunday mornings until the sanctuary doors open at 9:45AM to allow the choir and bell ringers to have their brief rehearsal time to perfect their musical offering to God and the congregation.

The exception is for those who are physically challenged and need to be seated in the sanctuary when they arrive.

We thank you so much for your help and understanding.

This Week at JMPC

SUNDAY, MAY 11 MOTHER'S DAY

9:30 am Flower Sale
10:00 am Worship
10:00 am Sunday School
3:00 pm Passion Twirl & Poms
7:00 pm Reflections Group

MONDAY, MAY 12

1:00 pm Pickleball

TUESDAY, MAY 13

9:00 am Ladies Pickleball
3:00 pm Passion Twirl & Poms
8:00 pm Pickleball (Knopp)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14

10:00 am Staff Meeting
4:30 pm South Hills Flute Studio
6:30 pm Preschool Graduation

THURSDAY, MAY 15

1:00 pm Pickleball
4:30 pm South Hills Flute Studio
4:45 pm The Yee Twirlers
6:00 pm Celebration Ringers
7:00 pm Choir Practice
7:00 pm Line Dance - Brownlee

FRIDAY, MAY 16

4:30 pm South Hills Flute Studio
Reception and Recital

SATURDAY, MAY 17

8:00 am Passion Twirl & Poms

SUNDAY, MAY 18 YOUTH SUNDAY

10:00 am Worship
10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am PNC
3:00 pm Passion Twirl & Poms
7:00 pm Reflections Group

This Week's Birthdays

5/14 Annarie Cartwright
5/15 Miriam DaRocha
Rory Smith
5/17 Vicent Gaudelli
Rich Mirarchi



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, May 8, 2025)

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

Prayer Requests

Prayers for Paul Chenevert's brother John, who had open heart surgery.
Prayers for Sarah Douglas who had a fall.

Previous Prayers Requested

Prayers to those throughout the Pittsburgh area and beyond, who have been affected by the storm last week.

Prayers for Geoff Davies, brother of Dan, who was taken to the hospital with symptoms of a stroke and is in the ICU.

Prayers for Carolyn McCully, Alexis Neely's grandmother, who has cancer.

Prayers for Linda Arnold's friend's granddaughter. She is 3 months old and recovering from surgery in the NICU.

Prayers for the Brenes Family, friends of Caitlin Smith, who recently lost their home and belonging to a devastating fire.

Please pray for, Julie Jendrysik, friend of Janet Dykstra, who was recently diagnosed with cancer and is undergoing treatment.

Prayers for Emilee Little's grandmother, Catherine. She is in hospice and the doctor thinks she has less than 6 months to live.

Pastor Nominating Committee

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



Members

Ella Willison
Grace Bogdon
Mary Cullison
Jim Ellis
Betsy Gilbert
Doug Mickey

Megan Sherry
Joe Smith
Laura Waterstram

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 3rd grade, September through May.

On Wednesday Nights, 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 jmpc@johnmcmillanpc.org

Visit our website: www.johnmcmillanpc.org

Visit us on Facebook or our YouTube channel.

This week, please pray for:

Phil, Meagan, Evan and Cole Dillon

Pam and Mike Dobos

Harold and Bonnie Dodd

Sarah Douglas

Dave and Bonnie Dowdell

JMPC STAFF

Ministers: All People of JMPC
Music Director: Carolyn Brow
Office Manager: Catherine Sams
Tech/AV: Jackie Druga

Pastor: Rev. Emily Miller
Organist: Elisabeth Jeffries
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

May Deacon of the Month: Paul Zandhuis

He can be reached at (412) 595-7125

Pastor Emily Miller (412) 519-4274

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