



John McMillan Presbyterian Church

10:00 am Worship

*To Know, To Glorify and to Serve God*

**October 27, 2024**



# Welcome to John McMillan Presbyterian Church

## Sunday, October 27, 2024; 10:00am

*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.*

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### The Service of the Lord's Day

#### The Prelude

*"Prayer is the Soul's Sincere Desire" – arr. A. Schreiner*

### We Gather for Worship

#### The Welcome & Announcements

Jim Hinerman

#### The Minute for Mission

Joe Smith

*"Building Relationships & Sharing Stories"*

#### \*The 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.

#### \*The Introit

#### \*The Call to Worship

We will sing to God  
and bless God's name forever and ever.

***Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised!***

We will declare God's mighty acts  
and celebrate God's abundant goodness.

***Let us worship, singing of God's righteousness.***

#### \*The Hymn of Adoration #805

*"Come, Sing to God"*

## We Are Called to Pray

### The Call to Confession *(please be seated)*

#### The Prayer of Confession

God of generosity,  
we find ourselves bitter  
when faced with your abundant grace.  
We believe ourselves more deserving than others.  
We nurse our anger and resentment at those you forgive,  
instead of rejoicing in the abundant love you show.  
Forgive us when we wish your grace was scarce.  
Forgive the double standards we hold.  
Help us to know that we are all in need of your grace,  
and help us rejoice as we all gratefully receive your mercy.

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

#### The Assurance of Forgiveness

The grace of God is boundless,  
poured out freely for all of us.  
When we receive this gift of forgiveness,  
we trust God to transform our lives!  
***So may it be.***

### \*The 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.

### The Prayers of the People

#### The Anthem

Chancel Choir

*"Lord, Listen to Your Children" -by Ken Medema*

Choir anthem dedicated in memory of Phyllis Haldeman  
Lord, listen to your children praying. Lord, send your Spirit in this place. Lord, listen to your children praying. Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace. Something's gonna happen like the world has never known, when the people of the Lord get down to pray. A door's gonna swing open and the walls come a-tumbling down, when the people of the Lord get down to pray. You're gonna know it, when the Lord stretches out His hand, and the people of the Lord get down to pray. There's gonna be a brand new song of vict'ry in

this land, when the people of the Lord get down to pray. And all the people sang: Lord, listen to your children praying....

## **We Hear the Word**

### **The Word for Today**

Matthew 5: 1-12

Rev. Jeff Tindall

### **The Application of the Word**

“Your Will Be Done”

### **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.

### **\*The Hymn of Reflection #471 vs 1 x2**

*“O Lord, Hear My Prayer”*

## **We Respond in Faith**

### **\*The Affirmation of Faith – The 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 at 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.

### **The Invitation to the Offering**

### **The Collection of the Offering**

### **The Offertory**

## **\*The 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!

## **\*The Prayer of Dedication**

### **We are Sent in God's Name**

## **\*The Hymn of Discipleship #772**

*"Live into Hope"*

## **\*The Benediction**

## **\*The Postlude**

*"A Mighty Fortress"* – Luther/Wilson

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*\*please stand if you are able*

## **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, 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](mailto:jmpc@johnmcmillanpc.org)

Visit our website: [www.johnmcmillanpc.org](http://www.johnmcmillanpc.org)

Visit us on Facebook or our YouTube channel.

# Upcoming Events & Information

## Preschool Fundraiser

The Preschool will be fundraising by selling baked goods from The Pie Place. There will be pies, cinnamon rolls, pepperoni rolls and more. Please make checks out to John McMillan Preschool. All orders are due by Oct. 30, 2024. All items will be delivered on Nov. 14, 2024. There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex. Questions? Kim at [preschool@johnmcmillanpc.org](mailto:preschool@johnmcmillanpc.org)  
Thank you in advance for your support!

## Poinsettias

It is now time to order your Christmas Poinsettias. Orders will be taken now through November 24<sup>th</sup>. This year we will be using the *Signup Genius* for orders. Red, White and/or Pink will be available for purchase. The cost is \$10.00 for a 6" potted flower. You can put your check made payable to JMPC with Poinsettia in the memo line and place it in the offering plate or give to Leslie in the church office. If you need any assistance with your order please feel free to contact the church office. In lieu of, or in addition to ordering poinsettia's, you can also donate to the Deacon's Caring Fund through December 15<sup>th</sup>. The order form can be found in the Narthex or in the e-mail blast.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0A45AAA29A5FF2-52718921-poinsettia>

## Duquesne Kids Club

**Monday, October 28, November 4 & 11**

It's time again! Come Monday nights to learn about the Bible, eat, pray, and join in fellowship alongside our friends in Christ at First Presbyterian Church of Duquesne. Please support this ministry by attending or providing a meal. Transportation will be available as well. Sign up: <https://tinyurl.com/4un4hjf9>  
Questions: Emily Shubilla, 724 984 8202, [dce@johnmcmillanpc.org](mailto:dce@johnmcmillanpc.org)

## Quiche Pick Up

**Tuesday, October 29<sup>th</sup>**

Quiche pickup will be Tuesday afternoon. Please call the church office if you are unable to pick up at that time. If you would like to pay for your Quiche by credit/debit card, please see Jackie in the booth after worship.

## **Christmas Affair**

**Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> | 9am-2pm**

The Christmas Affair is this Saturday. We have many slots for volunteers that are not filled yet. Please check out the volunteer table or signup genius to sign up. We are looking for more volunteers for the following spots:

Greeters to hand out the gift bags/programs,  
Workers in the Gingerbread House/Bakery.  
2 people to sleep over in the sanctuary Friday night  
Final set up Thursday  
Kris Kringle Kafe Setup Friday  
Gingerbread House pricing Friday

\*All volunteers will park in the ballfield on Saturday.

\*Drop off baked goods on Thursday afternoon/evening and Friday morning.

Thank you for supporting the largest mission raising project at JMPC.

## **Teach Us to Pray Sermon Series**

Why do we pray? Does God hear our prayers? Does God answer our prayers? Do we know it when God does answer our prayers? Maybe we are doing it wrong? If God does not answer our prayers, why not? Are we praying wrong? Is that why Jesus teaches us to pray? Pastor Jeff is offering a sermon series based on the prayer Jesus taught his disciples. The "Lord's Prayer" is the way we are to pray, according to Jesus. What is it we are praying for when we pray it? Is there any other prayer necessary? Lots of questions. Pastor Jeff will try to answer some of them. Come and hear.



The flowers today are given to the Glory of God by Cheri Clark in memory of her dad.



## **Brown Bag Bible Study**

**Wednesday, November 6<sup>th</sup> | 12:00 pm | Fellowship Hall**

BBBS has begun our study of the New Testament letter *1 Timothy*. *1 Timothy* is the first of three "pastoral letters" (along with the letters *2 Timothy* and *Titus*) which discuss church leadership and pastoral oversight of churches both organizationally and theologically. There is a lot to talk about in *1 Timothy*. Subjects that might surprise you and puzzle you. Any questions? Contact Pastor Jeff. Come and see (and bring your lunch)!

## **Blood Drive**

**Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup> | 8am-1pm | Fellowship Hall**

It's Blood Drive time again. Please consider donating blood before or after service. You can schedule an appointment by going to [www.vitalant.org](http://www.vitalant.org). Choose "Donate Now". At the "Make a New Appointment" screen, click on the "blood drive code" button and enter group code UG0010091 to schedule your donation or you can search by JMPC's zip code (15102). Or you can call 1-877-25VITAL. Or just show up on Sunday, November 10th! (However, appointments are preferred.) Please let's join together to support this important cause. Any questions - please see Jessica Scott. Thank you for your support!

## **Cookie Angels**

We are in need of Cookie Angels who will be willing to make cookies, muffins or bread to have at Coffee Hour. The cookies can be dropped off Sunday morning by 9:15 or the day before or earlier and frozen. Just mark them Coffee Hour Cookies. We need to have at least 4 dozen cookies to make up the trays. Questions? Suzie Burland (412) 913-4678 or [suzieeg@hotmail.com](mailto:suzieeg@hotmail.com)

## **Greeters Needed**

**Every Sunday | 9:30am | Narthex**

JMPC needs you to greet people at the door as they arrive at church. No experience necessary. Just a smile and a glad hand. Questions: Suzie Burland [suzieeg@hotmail.com](mailto:suzieeg@hotmail.com)

## **The Bins are Empty!**

The Shared Blessings Store at the First Presbyterian Church of Duquesne is in need of children's clothes for boys and girls in sizes 2, 3, 4, and 5. Your donations are appreciated. Need a pickup? Email Cheryl Davies at [daviesbp53@hotmail.com](mailto:daviesbp53@hotmail.com).





**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27**

*Reformation Sunday*

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

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 28**

- 9:00 am Men's Breakfast
- 1:00 pm Pickleball
- 6:00 pm SHIM Garden

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29**

- 9:00 am Ladies Pickleball
- 9:00 am Quiche Making
- 3:00 pm Passion Twirl & Poms

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30**

- 10:00 am Staff Meeting
- 4:00 pm South Hills Flute Studio
- 5:00 pm Kids Klub & Youth Group
- 6:00 pm Bell Practice
- 7:00 pm Choir Practice
- 7:00 pm CA Candy Making

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31**

Christmas Affair Set Up

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1**

- Christmas Affair Set Up
- 4:30 pm South Hills Flute Studio

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2**

The Christmas Affair

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3**

*Reformation Sunday*

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



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| October 27 | Jessica Kovell    |
| October 27 | William Chenevert |
| October 28 | David Hatfield    |
| October 30 | Leslie Bogdon     |
| November 1 | Mike Ackerman     |
| November 1 | Marcia Seeley     |
| November 1 | Everett Woessner  |

We would love to have your birthday on file in the office. If we've missed your birthday, please contact Leslie in the church office as we may not have it on file. Thank you!

## **JMPC Prayer Concerns (As of Thursday, October 18, 2024)**

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

### **Prayer Requests**

Becca Semke, Fred & Nancy Page's daughter who had surgery for breast cancer.  
Prayers for Kay Zawicki & family on the death of her aunt, Lisa Hubler.  
Megan Morford Brown, good friend of Pastor Jeff, who is having a liver transplant on December 13<sup>th</sup>.

### **Previous Joy**

Joy! Ella May Given has a new great-grandson born 8/22/2024 – Benjamin Paul Climpson.

### **Previous Prayers Requested**

Prayers for Jim Ellis' friend, Peggy Leschak and family, on the death of her husband John, last week.  
Marielle Brown asks for prayers for her friend Amy's father, Fred who fell and is going into rehab.  
Kelsie, family friend of Carolyn Brow, Kelsie, diagnosed with leukemia and is hospitalized undergoing chemotherapy. Please pray for no blast cells.  
John Sheridan Carolyn's nephew who is undergoing chemo.  
Rita Randal, friend of Leslie who fell and is recovering from a broken her arm.  
Prayers for Jim McCalmont who will be having some tests.  
Dan Davies' brother, Bob who is recovering from surgery, and his brother-in-law, Ted, who is still recovering from bypass surgery.  
Toni Sulkowski's former colleague, Joe, battling pancreatic cancer.

#### **This week, please pray for:**

Jessica Kovell  
Diana, Albert & Alexa Kozel  
Kevin Krieger  
Ryan Krieger  
Scott & Judy Krieger

# NOTES

## JMPC STAFF

Ministers: All People of JMPC  
Music Director: Carolyn Brow  
Office Manager: Leslie Bogdon  
Preschool Director: Kim Doughty

Senior Pastor: Rev. Jeff Tindall  
Organist: Elisabeth Jeffries  
Tech/AV: Jackie Druga & Kay Zawicki  
Dir. of Youth & Family Ministries: Emily Shubilla

## 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 Zandhius

### 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; Nancy Collins, Malawi Missionary; Shelvis & Nancy Smith-Mather, South Sudan Missionaries.

### In the Event of an Emergency

October Deacon of the Month: Scott Nowak (412) 654-7771.

Please call Scott or Pastor Jeff with any pastoral concerns.

Direct call/text: Pastor Jeff @ (412) 225-7550

E-mail: [jeff@johnmcmillanpc.org](mailto:jeff@johnmcmillanpc.org)

You can also call the church at (412) 833-4704.

Pastor Jeff receives e-mails on his phone as well as on his computer.

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