



*First Presbyterian Church of Murrysville
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*Our mission is to worship and honor God,
and to bring people to Christ. It is our joy to be stewards
of the Good News of the love of God in Jesus Christ.*

May 27, 2018

8:30 A.M. AND 11:00 A.M. ORDER OF WORSHIP

MAY 27, 2018

PRELUDE (11:00 A.M.)

OPENING SONG (8:30 A.M.)

WELCOME

GATHERING SONG (11:00 A.M.) HYMN #657

"He Has Made Me Glad"

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the lands! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into His presence with singing!

People: **It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him, bless his name!

People: **For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations. (Psalm 100)**

*HYMN #112

"You Servants of God"

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

Loving God, forgive us. In your mercy, renew us with a sense of your power, your strength, and your energy. Let us tell your name abroad in many tongues and many ways, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Hear us now as we silently confess our failures to you.

*PRAYERS OF PERSONAL CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF GRACE

*GLORIA PATRI (8:30 A.M.) (*see song sheet on table*)

(11:00 A.M.) #734

MUSIC OF PRAISE (8:30 A.M.)

"Patriotic Medley"

Tom Frey, Keyboard

ANTHEM (11:00 A.M.)

"I Will Serve the Lord All My Days"

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TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

(Children may leave for Children's Worship) (11:00 A.M.)

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

(see insert)

*PASSING THE PEACE (11:00 A.M.)

SAY "Peace be with you"

*HYMN #731

"My Country, 'Tis of Thee"

SCRIPTURE

John 14: 1-4
Revelation 21: 1-7

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MEDITATION

"Home Sweet Home"

Rev. Edward Gray

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (UNISON)

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials; so that the genuineness of your faith – being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire – may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. AMEN (I Peter 1: 3-7)

OFFERING

(Please take a moment to sign the Fellowship Pads found in table offering baskets at Laird Hall and at the end of each pew in the Sanctuary while the plates are being passed.)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (11:00 A.M.)

"Spirit Come Down"

Hayes

*DOXOLOGY (8:30 A.M.) (see song sheet on table)

(11:00 A.M.) #34

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN #51

"How Great Thou Art"

*BENEDICTION & CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (8:30 A.M. *"How Great Thou Art"*)

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:

How great thou art, how great thou art. (*repeat*)

*BENEDICTION & CHORAL RESPONSE (11:00 A.M.)

"The Lord Bless You and Keep You"

Lutkin

*POSTLUDE (11:00 A.M.)

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF MURRYSVILLE
SUNDAY, MAY 27, 2018

Rev. Edward Gray, Pastor
Ruth Poscich, Director of Music

This morning we welcome the following participants and volunteers in our worship service:

8:30 a.m. Liturgist: Laurel Frey

11:00 a.m. Liturgist: Bobbie Stander

11:00 a.m. Musicians: Michael Bellavia, guitar; Brenda Walker, flute

11:00 a.m. Greeters: Nannette and Ken Nutter

11:00 a.m. Children's Worship: Mary Kay Krause

Childcare Provider (both services): Carol Ludovici

- Care for children of all ages is available during both services. Please ask an usher if you need directions to the childcare room.
- **Large Print** bulletins are available. Please ask an usher for a copy.
 - **Bold Print** indicates Congregation participation.
 - * Please stand in body or in spirit.

MISSION CORNER

Opportunity to Serve *"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted."* (Matthew 5:4) We are currently developing ways that we can better serve our families' needs when providing a funeral meal to a church member who has lost a loved one. Won't you join us to help lighten the responsibilities for all, while providing a loving tribute to our bereaved families? There are several ways meaningful ways to serve the needs of our church families. Please contact Bonnie Miller or Laurel Frey if you are interested.

Deacons at Work Our faithful Deacons continue to collect necessities for local distribution, and you can help! Please consider donating any of the following items:

◆ Laundry Detergent ◆ Chunky Beans and Soup ◆ Shampoo/Conditioner

All donations can be placed in the Narthex (under the tables, or in the coat rack area), or on the back tables in Laird Hall. Thank you for your heart-felt gifts to help those in need!

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We invite you to join with us as we grow in faith and serve in love. Please feel free to call the Church Office if you have a prayer request, or wish to speak with Reverend Gray.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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

PRAYERS OF CONCERN

Ian Florida
Irene Lichota (Ney)
Tom Frey's Family
Rachel Ramaley's father

Margie (Florida)
Julie Frey
Pam Landis
Tim and Terry's nephew
Kathy Barrett (Gangloff)

Sharon Vrek (Staab)
May Funk
Jane Clemmer
Nancy Zatezalo (Nutter)

Please notify the Church office if you would like any of the above-named loved ones, or anyone else, placed on the Long Term Prayer List.

LONG TERM PRAYER LIST

Carol (Rish), Judy Pringle, Ed Little, Debbie and Denise Branthoover, Brenda Walker, Mariana Knapp (Florida), Bill and Carolyn Rogers, Barb Wilson, Murrell Klotzbaugh, Weston (Plowman), Rosalie (Stander), The Krudwig's neighbor, Jean (Florida), Laurie Mejia's father, Allan, The Guyette Family (Krudwig), Sophia (Frey), Lois Sharlock, Sharon Vance, Lavina Wood, Betty Little, Dick Lowrey (Ney), Melinda Courtney (Stange), Jeff Essak (Stange), Billie and Carl Latshaw, Jane Bird (Lamers/Landis), Lucy Byrne, Bruce Youngman (Landis), Levi Plowman (Little), Pat Williams (Krudwig), Asher (Beatty), Linda (Johnson), Tim (Wilson), Ruth Frey, Bonnie Gulliver (Florida), Rob Kenny, Emily (Vance), Dyer Family (Lamers), Jody (Little), Nancy Kenny, Shirley (Senor), Simon Stanley (Hudson), Tenley Kenloch (Krause), and Sue Brown (Hilton).

PRAYERS OF SYMPATHY

Ruth Floyd (former member) and John Freudenrich (Sharon Beatty's father) both *Entered the Church Triumphant* last week. Please keep the families of these loved ones in your prayers. You may contact the Church office for information regarding funeral service locations, dates and times.

Prayers of Gratitude and Joy

Nikii Klein is embarking on a new phase in her life with a new job in the State of Washington; and Dawn Miller will welcome a new grandchild in December 2018. Praise be to God for His blessings!

PRAYER FOCUS FOR MAY

God of all, we pray for those who respond at the first call; for those who rush toward danger, bringing hope and comfort; for those who serve, protect, and guide others to safety. Keep them in your care and safely protect them as they follow your command to love their neighbors. Amen

Firefighters

EMT's

Life-flight Transporters

Security Guards

Salvation Army

School Nurses

ER Attendants

Deputy Sheriffs

State Troopers

Good Samaritans

You?

Lifeguards

Paramedics

Ambulance Drivers

Police Officers

Red Cross

Blood Donors

Neighbors

Veterinarians

***** **Congregational Announcements** *****

THIS MORNING'S FLOWERS are offered by Dan and Beverly Freyer, and dedicated to the Glory of God in honor of Lucy Grace Helm's first birthday.

MEMBER OF WEEK: The special members this week are: **Chuck and Melinda MacPherson**, 196 Raymaley Road, Harrison City, PA 15636.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK Sarah Stephens (30th), Bill Vance (31st), Bill Rogers (June 3rd), Barbara Wilson (June 4th), and Jonathan Belak (June 5th).

BABIES ON THE WAY Kelsi, Shawn, Maxx and Baby Allen (May 2018); and Abby (VanFleet), Mike and Baby Zimmerman (May 2018).

MEMORIAL DAY The Church office will be closed on Monday, May 28th in honor of Memorial Day.

DEDICATION SUNDAY We will be dedicating memorial funds at both services (8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.) on Sunday, June 3rd.

SINGLE SERVICE OF WORSHIP ON JUNE 10TH During the summer months we will share a single service of worship once each month. On Sunday, June 10th we will meet in Laird Hall at 9:30 a.m. to share the first one. The other two will be July 8th and August 12th, both of which will be in the Sanctuary.

SUMMER SCHEDULE Our summer worship hours will begin on Sunday, June 17th with worship in Laird Hall at 8:30 a.m. and worship in the Sanctuary at 10:30 a.m., except on the mornings of single service worship (see above). Sunday school will be on hiatus until September 9th.

THANK YOU *"We would like to express our deepest gratitude for all the love, kindness, and thoughtful gestures that have been bestowed upon us by the church family during our journey with Brother Terry. May God Bless and Keep You."* Tom & Donna Ronksley

WITH GRATITUDE Deborah Branthoover wishes to thank everyone who shared their time and energy helping her last weekend. She is very grateful to her wonderful Church family.

ARE YOU INTERESTED? If you are a visitor at our Church, we joyfully welcome you and encourage you to get to know us better! If you have a desire to serve Christ, and would like to explore fellowship with our members, please call the Church Office at 724-327-0728, or speak with Rev. Ed after worship. We look forward to the opportunity to share with you what First Presbyterian Church of Murrysville is all about!

