



*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.*

*Mother's Day
May 11, 2025
11:00 a.m.*

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

MAY 11, 2025

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONG OF PREPARATION #579

"This is a Time to Remember"

CALL TO WORSHIP

Everyone who serves God, come and offer thanks.

Thank you, God, for your love to me.

Everyone who has gathered in this place, lift your hands and praise God.

Thank you, God, for your love in this place.

Shout praises to God, for you are God's servants, so shout praises.

Thank you, God, for your love to others.

All who serve in this place, who serve our God, come and shout praises.

Thank you, God, for your love that we can share.

Praise the name of our God, who is kind and good.

Thank you, God, for your love endures forever.

*HYMN #40

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

All-knowing God, we know you understand us more deeply than we understand ourselves. You know how much the cares of this life weigh us down. Our thoughts and actions are often very shortsighted. We take so much for granted, failing to value the wonder of life all around us, the gift of family and friends, the amazing reality of your Spirit dwelling in us. We want to be like good soil, receiving the seed of your word with understanding that nourishes roots of trust and joy. Free us from all that keeps us from bearing fruit for you.

*PRAYERS OF PERSONAL CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF GRACE

*GLORIA PATRI

HYMN #734

ANTHEM

"Let the Redeemed of the Lord"

Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE

Romans 14:1-13
Matthew 16:13-23

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SERMON

“A Matter of Perspective”

Rev. Edward Gray

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (UNISON)

This is the Good News which we received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that He appeared to Peter, then to the twelve, and to many faithful witnesses. We believe that He is the Christ, the Son of the Living God. He is the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End, He is our Lord and our God. *I Corinthians 15:3-8*

OFFERING/OFFERTORY

“Just a Closer Walk With Thee”

*DOXOLOGY

HYMN #34

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD’S PRAYER

(see Prayer List)

*PASSING THE PEACE

Say *“Peace be with you”*

*HYMN #544

“The Church’s One Foundation”

*BENEDICTION & CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

#305

He is Lord, he is Lord!

He is risen from the dead and he is Lord!

Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess

That Jesus Christ is Lord!

*POSTLUDE

- **Large Print bulletins are available from an usher.**

Rev. Edward Gray, Pastor

Ruth Poscich, Director of Music

Eddie Gray, Audio/Video Technician

This morning we are blessed with the following participants and volunteers:

8:30 a.m. Worship Leader: Betty Lou Lamers

11:00 a.m. Worship Leader: Wayne Pottmeyer

11:00 a.m. Musicians: The Chancel Choir; Michael Bellavia, guitar
Nancy Podey, violin



May 11, 2025 through May 18, 2025

Today	Mother's Day	
	8:30 a.m.	Worship Service – Laird Hall
	9:45 a.m.	Adult Sunday School – Conference Room
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service – Sanctuary
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	Rangers Breakfast, Fellowship Dicks Diner
	9:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	3:00 p.m.	Bible Study at Friends Thrift Shop
	4:15 p.m.	Fun & Fellowship Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Worship Committee Meeting
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Sew What
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Finance Committee Meeting
	1:15 p.m.	Moms In Prayer
	3:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Worship Service – Laird Hall
	9:45 a.m.	Adult Sunday School – Conference Room
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service – Sanctuary

****Meals on Wheels every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday in Laird Hall**

****Friends' Kitchen is the first Wednesday of each month at Laird Hall**

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

DEACONS' PRAYER LIST

We pray for the Clover Ridge families who had their homes destroyed by fire last week.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

All of the women are offered a flower as we honor and celebrate you.

Announcements

TAG SALE

Thank you all who donated items and those who spent hours preparing and working the sale!! Our Tag Sale would not be possible without all of the MANY hours of work that each of you gave!!

All proceeds from the Tag Sale will directly fund Mission Projects in the church.

The total earned is \$7,249.50!!

A JOB VERY WELL DONE, THANK YOU!

REMINDER, next week, May 18, is Collection Sunday. Our Deacons began Collection Sunday (the third week in each month) as a way to remember to bring in donations you may have for Loaves & Fishes and for the Food Bank. We are still collecting Paper Towels for Loaves & Fishes and Laundry Detergent for the Food Bank.

Congratulations to the MPP as they near the completion of another great year. Graduation for our Pre-K students will be on May 21 and May 22.

MEMORIAL DAY is Monday, May 26.

An Observance will be held in our cemetery at 8:30 a.m.

Everyone is welcome to join a group of local veterans as they honor the deceased veterans in our cemetery.

PENTECOST SUNDAY Sunday is June 8. The chancel will be decorated with red geraniums. If you would like to order geraniums, please see the insert. Orders and payment are due by May 25.

Three **NOAH** tickets are available.
The performance will be at Sight and Sound Theater
in Lancaster, PA, on August 15.



Next week, May 18, the Sunday School discussion will focus on the following Scriptures:

Zechariah 13:4-9

Matthew 26:31-35

We will discuss Chapter 4 in the book "Simon Peter. Flawed but Faithful Disciple" by Adam Hamilton. There are books available on the table in the Narthex.

****UPCOMING EVENTS****

MAY 19	SESSION MEETING
MAY 20	PRIMARY ELECTION
MAY 21	LUNCH BUNCH
MAY 21	MPP GRADUATION 3-DAY PRE-K
MAY 22	MPP GRADUATION 4-DAY PRE-K
MAY 26	MEMORIAL DAY – OFFICE CLOSED
MAY 28	WARM HUGS
JUN 4	FRIENDS' KITCHEN
JUN 8	PENTECOST