



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.*

February 8, 2026

11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HANDBELL INTROIT

“Amazing Grace”

CALL TO WORSHIP

(from Psalm 3)

Lord, how many are my foes! How many rise up against me! Many are saying of me,
“God will not deliver him.”

**But you, Lord, are a shield around me, my glory, the One who lifts my
head high. I call out to the Lord, and he answers me from his holy
mountain.**

I lie down and sleep; I wake again, because the Lord sustains me. I will not fear
though tens of thousands assail me on every side.

**Arise, Lord! Deliver me, my God! From the Lord comes deliverance. May
your blessing be on your people.**

*HYMN #409

“God of Our Life”

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

**Gracious Father, we confess that we often rely on our own strength and grow
weary in doing good. Forgive us for becoming entangled with lesser things and for
wavering in faithfulness to You. Strengthen us again by Your grace in Christ Jesus.
Teach us to endure with trust and obedience, remembering that if we die with Him,
we will also live with Him. Remain faithful to us, Lord, even when we are not
faithful to you.**

*PRAYERS OF PERSONAL CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF GRACE

*GLORIA PATRI

HYMN #734

ANTHEM

“Christ Has Saved Us, Christ Alone”

Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 88
2 Timothy 2:1-13

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SERMON

"Can You Hear Me Now?"

Rev. Edward R. Gray

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (UNISON)

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

OFFERING/OFFERTORY

Celtic Dance on "Pleading Savior"

Joy Ringers

*DOXOLOGY

HYMN #34

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

(see Prayer List)

*HYMN #514

"Be Strong in the Lord"

*BENEDICTION AND CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

#497 "Find Us Faithful"

**Oh may all who come behind us find us faithful;
May the fire of our devotion light their way.
May the footprints that we leave lead them to believe,
And the lives we live inspire them to obey.
Oh may all who come behind us find us faithful.**

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*PASSING THE PEACE

Say *"Peace be with you"*

*POSTLUDE

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

Rev. Edward R. Gray, Pastor
Ruth Poscich, Director of Music
Carl Staab, Audio Technician

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

8:30 a.m. Worship Leader: Sharon Beatty

11:00 a.m. Worship Leader: Kristen Miller

11:00 a.m. Greeters: Lynn and Carl Staab, Sue and Rick Pry

11:00 a.m. Musicians: The Chancel Choir; Michael Bellavia, guitar
Joy Ringers Handbell Choir



February 8, 2026 through February 15, 2026

Today	8:30 a.m.	Worship Service – Laird Hall
	9:45 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service – Sanctuary
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	Rangers Breakfast, Fellowship—Dick’s Diner
	9:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	4:00 p.m.	Fun & Fellowship Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Mission Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Worship Meeting
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Sew What
	2:00 p.m.	Joy Ringers Rehearsal
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Stewardship and Finance Mtg
	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
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service – Sanctuary
		Augustine Ramaley Baptism
		Sandwich Sunday

****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

Announcements

Next Sunday, February 15, at the 11:00 worship service, we welcome Jason and Rachel Ramaley and their families for the Baptism of their son, Augustine William Ramaley.

An Ash Wednesday Communion Service will be held on February 18, to mark the beginning of the Lenten season. The Ash Wednesday service will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

The Fun & Fellowship Committee will have a meeting on February 10, at 4:00 in the Conference Room.

The Annual Leadership Retreat for Deacons and Session Members

will be held On Saturday, February 21 in Laird Hall.
The Retreat will start at 9:00 a.m. and will run until about 1:00 p.m.
Lunch will be served.

JOSHUA: "...from the banks of the Jordan River to the towering walls of Jericho"
A new production is going to to be at the Lancaster Sight & Sound Theater this year.
A group from the church will be going to the production on Friday, August 21, at 3:00 p.m. If interested, tickets are \$88/ticket. Please contact Mary Holtz (mlholtz6@msn.com or 724-681-1379) or see Karen in the office.

The next Sandwich Sunday will be offered immediately following the 11:00 worship service on February 15, after the Baptism of Augustine Ramaley.

BUNCO Night was a success! We had a good turnout, considering the weather, and everyone had a good time as they played Bunco and visited with one another.



Please read Chapter 7 for next week, February 15, of The Benefit of the Doubt—Claiming Faith in an Uncertain World, by Frank Clark Spencer. The books are located on the table in the Narthex. The Adult Sunday School will be held at **9:45 a.m.** on Sunday morning in the Conference Room.

****UPCOMING EVENTS****

FEB 15	SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM - RAMALEY
FEB 16	SESSION MEETING
FEB 18	ASH WEDNESDAY
FEB 21	OFFICER RETREAT
FEB 22	COMMUNION SUNDAY
MAR 1	CANTATA CHOIR REHEARSAL BEGINS
MAR 4	FRIENDS' KITCHEN
MAR 6	MPP MOVIE NIGHT