

Marple Presbyterian Church



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WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Sunday, March 29, 2026 - 10:30 a.m. Worship, Palm Sunday,
Deadline to Order Easter Flowers
Deadline for Easter Egg Hunt Donations

The Rev. Jim Reisner, Transitional Pastor – Sermon – When Jesus Wept

*When fishes flew and forests walked,
And figs grew upon thorns,
Some moment when the moon was blood
Then surely I was born. . . .
The tattered outlaw of the earth,
Of ancient crooked will,
Starve, scourge, deride me: I am dumb.
I keep my secret still.
Fools! For I also had my hour,
One far fierce hour and sweet:
There was a shout about my ears,
And palms before my feet.*

G. K. Chesterton, *The Donkey*

We welcome you to join us in-person or virtually. You can access the live stream on Twitch [HERE](#).

Past services may be viewed on our YouTube channel using the link on our website. The live stream link and weekly bulletins are also available on our website, www.marplepres.org.

MARPLE PRESBYTERIAN THRIFT SHOP

Saturday, March 28 10 am – 4 pm
Tuesday, March 31 10 am – 3 pm

JOYS AND CONCERNS ON ZOOM

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 3 – 4 pm

zoom.us/j/6103561098 Password MPC

April 1 - Deacon's Meeting via Zoom at 7:30 pm

CHOIR REHEARSAL

Thursday - 6:30 pm, MPC Chapel

Spring Clean Up

We had beautiful weather to work on cleaning up our grounds from a difficult winter. At the risk of forgetting someone, I'd like to thank the following folks who worked extremely hard this past Saturday morning:

Patti Gwartz, Debbie Pettinelli, Bernie Strain, Meg and Scott Hessen, Mack Smith, Austin Smith, Seth Pancoast, Eric Eckels, Brian Strain, Pastor Jim, and a special thanks to all our scouts and parents that came out in force. I had an extensive list of "To Do's" and we completed everything on the list!!! The last time we completed everything on the list was in 1898. Thank you one and all. (I hope I didn't forget anyone but if I did let me know).

John Strain



During the six Sundays, Pastor Jim Reisner will lead a Bible Study based on the Gospel of Luke. All are welcome to attend the study will take place in the sanctuary shortly after the close of worship.



LENTEN SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 22 - 10:30 am
Calvary's Mountain (Cantata)

Sunday, March 29 - 10:30 am
Palm Sunday Worship Service

Thursday, April 2 - 7:00 pm, Chapel
Maundy Thursday Worship Service
Communion

Friday, April 3 - 12:00 pm
Good Friday Interfaith Service

Sunday, April 5 - 10:30 am
Easter Sunday Worship Service

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EASTER EGG HUNT– Please join us after worship on Easter Sunday for our annual Easter Egg Hunt! We will be holding an Egg Hunt for children in the Courtyard immediately after worship on April 5th. There will be candy, games, and lots of fun for everyone. We hope to see you there!

We appreciate donations of individual miniature non-peanut Easter candy as well as small non-candy items. Donations may be placed in the basket in the narthex or dropped off at the church office through **Palm Sunday, March 29**. Feel free to chat with Debbie Pettinelli for more information.



Easter Flowers Order Form

Please fill out this form and return to the church office with your payment no later than Sunday, March 29th if you would like to place a flower in the sanctuary for Easter.

Given by: _____ Envelope No. _____

In honor memory of: _____

Please make checks payable to
Marple Presbyterian Church.

Paid via Cash
 Check # _____

Quantity

_____ \$9/each

TOTAL



Happy EASTER!

Join us for a morning of worship.

EASTER WORSHIP

10:30 a.m. ~ Sunday, April 5th

Children will be dismissed to Sunday School during the service after the Children's Moment.

Following the lesson time,
there will be a special visit from the
EASTER BUNNY to lead them outside for an **EGG HUNT**.

** Refreshments to follow service **

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YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR 2025-2026

MPC's Youth Group is open to all youth currently in 6th to 12th grade, regardless of membership at Marple Presbyterian Church. We typically meet a few Sundays per month from 4 – 7 pm in the Rowland Room at MPC, 105 N. Sproul Rd, Broomall, Pennsylvania. See below for meeting dates and special events!

Youth Group Meeting Dates:

October 19	February 15
November 2	March 1
December 7	March 15
December 21* – Christmas Party!	April 5
January 11*	April 19
January 25*	May 3
February 1	May 17

**For the Christmas Party, Youth Group will run from 3 pm to 6 pm. Youth are invited and encouraged to stay and attend MPC's Longest Night Service which is from 7-8 pm.*

**For January meetings, we will meet on the 2nd and 4th Sundays at the normal time.*

Special Events:

November 15-16 – Lock-in @ MPC

December 27 – Go Karts Trip

***We would like to plan an away retreat once we have a sense availability for our members in the Spring. We will announce dates and information after the holiday season.*

June 6 – Youth Group BBQ

***We are considering turning the BBQ into a campout at the Mitchells' house if members are interested in trying this. We have access to two campers, some indoor accommodations and may be able to procure tents for anyone really wanting to "rough" it.*

For more information, contact Kristen Mitchell at klizzano@gmail.com or 302-494-1146.

Baby/Toddler Sunday School Class Forming

We are going to be kicking off an occasional baby/toddler (targeting ages 1-3) Sunday School class this Spring. As of right now, the plan is to hold the same during Sunday Services, with at least one parent participating in the class with their toddler. We will have pre-selected dates for the same based upon participant availability. If you are interested or want more information, please contact Kristen Mitchell at klizzano@gmail.com to be put on the email list for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

April 2 – Maundy Thursday Worship in Chapel at 7 pm

April 3 – Good Friday Interfaith Service at 12 pm

April 5 – Easter Sunday

April 15 – Session Meeting at 7 pm

May 6 – Deacon's Meeting via Zoom at 7:30 pm

May 17 – Worship, Congregational Meal following Worship

May 20 – Session Meeting at 7 pm

During this time of pastoral transition please be aware that the Deacons will be available for addressing and communicating any pastoral needs. You can email or text/call:

Joyce Holmwood jholmwood433@comcast.net 610-888-7458

OR

Linda Pursley lpursley1981@gmail.com 631 942- 5758

or any Deacon listed in the bulletin.