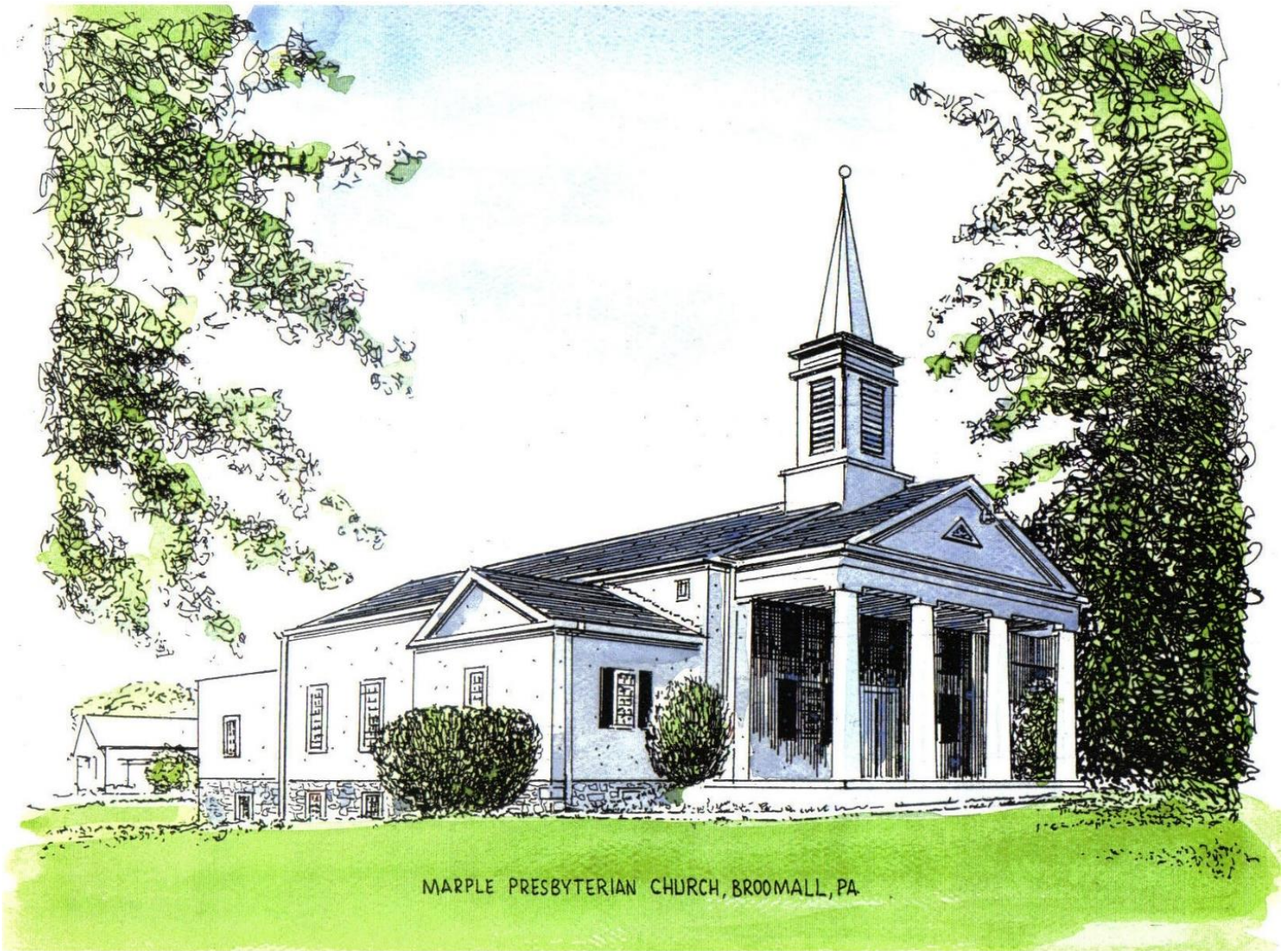

Marple Presbyterian Church

SUNDAY, JULY 12, 2026



MARPLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, BROOMALL, PA

“We love because He first loved us.” 1 John 4:19

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Welcome

SUNDAY, JULY 12, 2026



Today – July 12, 2026

LITURGIST: John Strain

HEAD USHER: Tom Trumbetas



New Here?

Welcome to Marple Presbyterian Church! We're so glad you came to worship with us and want to do all we can to help you feel at home.

- All visitors are encouraged to take the information brochure in the pew and place the visitor's section in the offering plate.
- Children are welcome in the service! Children's bulletins are available from the ushers.
- Nursery care is also available for children thru age 3. The nursery is located directly underneath the sanctuary.
- Assistive Listening Units are also available – please see any usher.

RESOURCES

Contact Us | 610-356-1098

marplepc@gmail.com

Website | www.marplepres.org

facebook.com/MarplePresbyterian

HOW DO I CONNECT?

Clerk of Session | [Kristen Mitchell](#)

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Nursery | [Amy Eckels](#)

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Worship | [Amy Eckels](#)

Youth Group | [Ben Mitchell](#)

For more contact info, please contact the church office.

July 12, 2026

10:30am

We welcome back Rev. Kirby Lawrence Hill as our guest preacher.

The Rev. Dr. Kirby Lawrence Hill is a recently retired member of the Presbytery of Philadelphia. He served five Presbyterian churches over the course of a 41-year ministry, including Abington and Bryn Mawr in this presbytery. He and his wife have two adult children.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Leader: We gather to praise God in this place of worship.

People: **However, it is fitting to praise God wherever we are.**

Leader: For God has carried out mighty deeds that display an amazing greatness.

People: **So, we seek to praise our God with our music, our voices, our actions.**

Leader: Breathe in, breathe out; let everything that breathes praise the Lord!

People: **Praise the Lord!**

*Opening Hymn | *Now Thank We All Our God* | #555

*Opening Prayer

O God, you are before and beyond, you are for us and with us and even within us. In you, we live and move and have our being. You are the maker of heaven and earth, creator of sea and sky, governor of day and night. Fill our hearts with praise and gratitude, that as we worship you, we might be renewed in reflecting your steadfast love in all that we say and do. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

*Please stand as you are able

Special Music | Matthew Knecht, Soloist

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Awesome and compassionate God, you have loved us with unfailing, self-giving mercy, but we have not fully loved you. You constantly call us, but we often do not listen. You ask us to love, but we walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed. God of grace, as you knock at the door of our hearts, we admit our sin, seeking to repent in spirit and truth, so we can gratefully receive your forgiveness through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.

Moment for personal confession and reflection.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: God reaches out to us with an embrace so we might know divine love and mercy, that would shape us to reflect the God we seek to serve. Rejoice in God's goodness.

People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Alleluia! Amen.**

***Congregational Response | Gloria Patri | #579**

*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.*

*** Passing of the Peace**

Leader: By God's grace through Jesus Christ, reconciliation with our neighbors can be realized. You are invited to share a sign of that peace with one another.
The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lessons

Jeremiah 18:1-6

Old Testament pg. 677

Mark 7:31-35

New Testament pg. 40

Sermon | God's Hands | Rev. Kirby Lawrence Hill, Guest Preacher

***Hymn** | *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven* | #478

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Affirmation of Faith** | 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 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.

THE SERVICE OF THE UPPER ROOM

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

Congregational Response **Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (Doxology) | #592*

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Sharing Joys and Concerns

The Invitation

Leader: Beloved, this is the joyful feast of the people of God. People will come from east and west, and from north and south, and sit at the table in the kingdom of God.

People: Behold, how good and pleasant it is when people dwell in unity.

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: It is truly right and just to give you thanks...

...Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of power and might
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

People: Hosanna in the highest.

Leader: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord,

People: Hosanna in the highest. ...

Leader: ...Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

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 Bread

The Cup

The Acclamation | Psalm 103

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

People: and all that is within me bless God's holy name.

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

People: and forget not all God's benefits.

Prayer after Communion

***Hymn | *Take My Life* | #391**

WE ARE SENT IN GOD'S NAME

Charge and Benediction

Postlude



**...WE HAVE
CONFIDENCE TO ENTER
THE MOST HOLY PLACE
BY THE**
Blood of Jesus,
BY A NEW AND
Living Way
**OPENED FOR US
THROUGH THE CURTAIN,
THAT IS, HIS BODY...**

HEBREWS 10:19-20, NIV

This Week

MONDAY

Cub Scout Troop 151 Meeting | *Hall* 7-9 pm

TUESDAY

Thrift Shop 10 am–3 pm

Joys & Concerns Chat | *Zoom* 3-4 pm

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WEDNESDAY

Joys & Concerns Chat | *Zoom* 3-4 pm

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Boy Scout Troop 151 Meeting | *Hall* 7-9 pm

AA Meeting | *Lower CE Bldg.* 7-8 pm

THURSDAY

Joys & Concerns Chat | *Zoom* 3-4 pm

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SATURDAY

Thrift Shop 10 am–4 pm

SUNDAY

AA Meeting | *Lower CE Bldg.* 8-9 am

Worship 10:30 am

Looking Ahead

AUGUST 5

Deacon's Meeting 7:30 pm

AUGUST 19

Session Meeting 7 pm

Learn More



Sunday School - MPC Sunday School is open to children ages 3 and up and runs weekly during the 10:30 am Sunday Worship Service.



Youth Group is open to all youth from 6th to 12th grade and meets twice a month between October and May. Please see the full Youth Group calendar for meeting dates, special events, and retreats. Contact the Youth Group Leaders at youthgroup@marplepres.org for additional information.



Our Thrift Shop is open:

Tuesdays from 10 am – 3 pm

Saturdays from 10 am – 4 pm

Please come by to shop the new arrivals.

We are thankful for Amy and her team of faithful volunteers. We are always grateful for any help. It is a great way to volunteer at MPC.

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:

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610-888-7458

OR

Linda Pursley

lpursley1981@gmail.com

631-942-5758

or any Deacon listed in the bulletin.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Listening devices are available for individuals who have a hearing impairment.

Please speak to an usher for more information or to request a device.



SESSION**DEACONS**

Paul Avazier '26

Faye Allison '28

Amy Eckels '28

Marion Brower '27

Patricia Gwirtz '28

Bette Downs '27

Ben Mitchell '27

George Guyer '28

Kristen Mitchell, Clerk

Greg Hoffman '27

Debbie Pettinelli '27

Joyce Holmwood '26

Kerri Robinson '26

Linda Pursley '27

Lynn Smith '28

Carol Robinson '28

John Strain '27

Diane Valaitis '26

Kim Wertz '28

Shirley Wise '26
