# Marple Presbyterian Church

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# WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Sunday, Nov. 16, 2025 - 10:30 a.m. Worship, Stewardship Sunday The Rev. Jim Reisner, Transitional Pastor – Sermon – The Danger of Playing it Safe

Jesus was a great universe-disturber. Those of us who try to follow his Way have a choice, either to go with him as universe-disturbers or to play it safe. If we play it safe, we have to settle for a comfortable religion, one which will not permit questions, because questions are universe-disturbers. ... Every new scientific discovery about the nature of the universe has shaken one religious group or another, and yet the new discoveries do nothing to alter the nature of the universe; they simply force us to grow in our understanding and our love for the Creator of all.

Madeleine L'Engle A Stone for a Pillow

We welcome you to join us in-person or virtually. You can access the live stream on Twitch <u>HERE</u>.

The live stream link and weekly bulletins are also available on our website, www.marplepres.org.

MARPLE PRESBYTERIAN THRIFT SHOP Saturday, Nov. 15 10 am – 4 pm Tuesday, Nov. 18 10 am – 3 pm

JOYS AND CONCERNS ON ZOOM
Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 3 – 4 pm
zoom.us/j/6103561098 PW MPC

Nov. 19 at 7 pm - Session Meeting

CHOIR REHEARSAL Thursday - 6:30 pm, MPC Chapel

## YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR 2025-2026

MPC's Youth Group is open to all youth currently in 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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.



Volunteers needed for Breakfast with Santa on Saturday, Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>. Please call the church office or speak to Debbie Pettinelli if interested in helping with this festive event.

We will also need homemade baked goods and treats.

Sign-up sheets available in the narthex.



Please fill out this form and return to the church office with your payment, no later than Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, if you would like to place a poinsettia in the Church Sanctuary for Christmas. Poinsettias may be taken home at the conclusion of the Candlelight Service on December 24th.

\*\*Names will appear in the bulletin exactly as printed below. \*\*

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### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Interfaith Thanksgiving Worship – Tuesday, Nov. 25 at 7 pm at Beth El-Ner Tamid

Nov. 26-28 - Church Office Closed

Dec. 3 at 7:30 pm - Deacon's Meeting via Zoom

Dec. 7 at 10:30 am – Worship, Communion, Deadline to order Poinsettias

Dec. 13 from 9 am - 12 pm - Breakfast with Santa

Dec. 14 at 10:30 am - Cantata

Dec. 17 at 7:00 pm - Session Meeting

# Coming this Advent!

Come to the Manger is a joyful service of lessons, carols, and anthems containing a mixture of original anthems and traditional carols. This multi-generational presentation will help us recall God's promised Messiah and the birth of the Christ child.



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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OR

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or any Deacon listed in the bulletin.