

Marple Presbyterian Church



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WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 3, 2026 - 10:30 a.m. Worship, Communion

The Rev. Jim Reisner, Transitional Pastor – Sermon – Déjà Vu All Over Again

No event in your life can imprison you. This is what resurrection is about. I shall not allow the events of my life to make me their prisoner. ... I shall continually believe that God is not through with my life, or with me.

Howard Thurman

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, May 2 10 am – 4 pm

Tuesday, May 5 10 am – 3 pm

JOYS AND CONCERNS ON ZOOM

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 3 – 4 pm

zoom.us/j/6103561098 Password MPC

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

CHOIR REHEARSAL

Thursday - 6:30 pm, MPC Chapel

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.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

May 10 – Worship, Mother’s Day

May 13 – Session Meeting at 7 pm

May 16 – Memorial Service for Cate Hoffman at 11 am in the Chapel

May 17 – Worship, Congregational Meal following Worship

May 22 – Red Cross Blood Drive from 8 am – 1pm (MPC Fellowship Hall)

May 22 – Church Office Closed

May 24 – Guest Pastor

May 25 – Memorial Day Holiday, Church Office Closed

June 3 – Deacon’s Meeting via Zoom at 7:30 pm

June 4 – Strawberry Fest set-up

June 5 – Strawberry Fest



Join MPC's Team for this important community event! The 5k will be held Saturday, May 2, 2026 beginning at 9:30 am (registration opens at 8:30 am) at Ridley Creek State Park. Ben Mitchell will be leading the team on the day of the event and Kim Wertz is helping to organize MPC's presence. Please contact Kim or Ben if you are planning to join or with any questions.

For details:

<https://runtheday.com/register/detail/delaware-county-suicide-preventionawareness-2026-uw9/>



Sunday, May 17 – There will be a congregational meal after worship. Please contact Debbie Pettinelli if you would be willing to make a dish or help serve.

Friday, June 5 – Strawberry Fest Please contact Debbie Pettinelli if you would be willing to help. This is a big event and many hands are needed. Please bring in any jewelry that may be collecting dust as well as any jewelry boxes.



More "Gently-Used Jewelry" Needed

The Jewelry Table has been quite popular with patrons of the Strawberry Festival. So much so, that we're in need of more jewelry donations. With many returning shoppers, we would like to offer some new selections. Also if you have any small boxes they will also be much appreciated.

You can give them to me at Sunday Service or leave them at the church office with Lori.



I will also be in need of helpers with the Jewelry Table:

Setup - Thursday, June 4th

Selling at the Festival - Friday, June 5th • 5-8pm

Breakdown of the Jewelry Table after the Festival

Thank you.

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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.

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

Linda Pursley lpursley1981@gmail.com 631 942- 5758

or any Deacon listed in the bulletin.