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CHURCH

January 18, 2026

# Worship

Preparatory Worship

Call to Worship: Jeremiah 1: 4-5, 8

The word of the LORD came to me saying,

“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,

Before you were born I set you apart;

I appointed you as a prophet to the nations”

Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you and

will rescue you,” declares the LORD.

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn (1<sup>st</sup> Service)

#166 *Sweet Hour of Prayer*

\*Praise Through Song (2<sup>nd</sup> service only)

Confession of Sin

(Congregation recites aloud.)

***Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.***

# Service

Assurance of Pardon

Minute for Mission: Missions Team-Lenny Miller

\*Doxology #623

Presentation of Tithes and Offering

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer

\*Hymn #166 (2nd service only)  
*Sweet Hour of Prayer*

Scripture: Acts 7:1-53

Sermon: “Holy Spirit Defense”

By Pastor Rich Herbster

\*Hymn #174 (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> service)  
*Open My Eyes That I Might See*

\*Benediction and Recessional

\*Congregation will stand.

**Second Service Only:** *Children ages 3 through 1st grade are welcome to attend Children & Worship. A nursery is available for children under the age of 3.*

# Announcements

## **WELCOME TO MT. PLEASANT!**

We are glad that you have chosen to join with us in worship today.

If you are visiting for the first time, or have visited before but would like more information about our church, please fill out a blue visitor card (located in the back of the pews) and indicate how we may serve you.

If you need assistance at any time during the service, please notify an usher who will be happy to help.

If you desire special prayer or spiritual counsel, please meet with our Elders in the front of the sanctuary immediately following the service.

Assisted Listening Devices to aid those with hearing deficiencies are available in the Sound Booth at the rear of the Sanctuary. Please see one of our staff in the booth prior to the Call to Worship to get set up.

## **WORSHIP/SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE**

First Worship Service - 8:30am

Sunday School (all ages) - 9:40am

Second Worship Service - 10:30am

## **MINISTRIES FOR EVERYONE**

Women's Fellowship - Tuesday - 1:00-2:30pm

The Way Youth Group - Tuesday - 6:15pm

Ask A Nurse - Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday - 10am - Noon

Kids' Choir - Wednesday - 6-7pm

Wednesday Evening Bible Study - 6:30pm

Young Adult Bible Study - Thursday - 7pm

The Lydia Stitchers (sewing group) - 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays - 9am-3pm

Men of Faith Breakfast - Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday - 8-10am

Christian Child Care - Monday through Friday - 6am-6pm

## **ATTENTION**

### **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING—CALL FOR REPORTS:**

Our congregational meeting will be held on Sunday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>. All ministry leaders are invited to submit a report for the meeting. **Reports are due by Sunday, February 1st.** Please submit your report in an **editable format** via the church email ([info@mpchurchpa.org](mailto:info@mpchurchpa.org)).

## **SMALL GROUPS**

**Developing deep rooted**

**relationships with God and each other.**

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***2025 Giving Statements can be downloaded directly from your profile in TouchPoint. Please see Sam Blattner if you have any questions about the Offering Envelopes or if you would like to request a printed Giving Statement. Thank you.***

Aren & baby Nico	<b>*Prayer List</b> Leslie Leonberg	Kim Swartzwelder
Xavier Carter	Sydney & Tyler Lira	Todd Williams
Mark Friday	Lee Miller	Pastor Wang Yi
Willie Fristik	Jan McClymonds	Cass & Young family
Leslie Leonberg	Christine & Tony Olszanski	Lisa Zahn
Josh & Sarah Grosso	Paul Reft	

**Weekly Mission Focus:** CEF-Child Evangelism Fellowship

**Special Prayer Focus:** Kids Club & Child Care Inspection

**God's Guidance & Care:** John Newcomb & unit (1-year deployment)

**Praise:** Birth—Levi Eric, Brownie & June Statler's 1st great-grandchild

### Weekly Westminster Shorter Catechism

**Q 107** What does the conclusion of the Lord's prayer teach us?

**Answer:** The conclusion of the Lord's prayer (for yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever) teaches us to be encouraged only by God in our prayers and to praise Him by acknowledging that kingdom, power, and glory are His. To show that we want to be heard and have confidence that we are, we say Amen.

**Weekly Memorization Verse:** The Lord's Prayer, "For Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen"

**Keep them in your thoughts by sending a card...**



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### TITHING REPORT

	GIVING	NEEDED	DIFFERENCE
LAST WEEK	\$10,015	\$11,072	(-\$1,057)
YEAR TO DATE	\$22,219	\$22,144	\$75