

MARS UP CHURCH



We are your hometown church: Faithful to Tradition, Loving in Fellowship & Reaching for Tomorrow!

APRIL 2021

Dear Friends and Members of MUP,

Have you noticed the signs of “new life” as we turn the page of the 2021 calendar to April? The “signs” are all around us. The crocus are reaching for the sunshine, the trees are sprouting their green buds and the highway maintenance crews are out in full force.

Other signs of new life and hope are the Church’s celebration of Jesus’ resurrection on Easter morning with “in person” worship and music by the MUP chancel choir. I’ve noticed several folks reconnecting with the church as they receive their covid shots. It is great to see them again!! (Little did we know how vital and life giving it is to see and be with other believers in worship & fellowship)

Another “sign” of new life is the planned “Meet and Greet Weekend” as we spend time with our new pastoral candidate on Saturday, April 17th from 3pm to 5pm for a time of fellowship and food. That will be followed on Sunday, April 18th at 10AM when we will be blessed by the candidate as we are led in worship.

Truly, signs of new life abound as we are reminded of the gift of God’s grace to us in Jesus, and the power of “resurrection” at work in our lives and our church. The many “signs” of new life are revealed for the people of God. What a blessed time this is for all of us.

In His Service

Rev. Paul Aiello

Interim Pastor

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

1. Approved February Minutes
2. Approved Transfer of Matthew & Katie Straley from MUP to Christ Presbyterian in Ellwood City
3. Decided to keep Church ZOOM account for the time being
4. Approve Congregational Meeting for April 18, 2021 for purpose of acceptance vote of Ministerial Candidate as MUP's new Pastor
5. Potato Soup Fundraiser for Deacon's Kindness Fund was successful
6. Served 43 for Communion on March 7, 2021
7. Maundy Thursday Service approved by Session
8. Good Friday Service conducted by Mars Ministerium approved by Session
9. Brick Pointing of front of building has been completed
10. Session approved financial support for Rev. Shawn Harmon to continue his mission overseas. Rev. Harmon will speak during Moment for Mission at MUP. Bio of Rev. Harmon attached
11. MUP Minister Candidate accepted by Ministry and Vocation Committee and has been accepted by Beaver-Butler Presbytery.

Happy
Easter

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have *eternal life.*

John 3:16

SUNDAY, APRIL 4, 2021

PNC UPDATE

After working 19 months searching, reviewing and discerning over 440 resumes, the Pastor Nomination Committee is excited to present a ministerial candidate to the MUP congregation. A Meet and Greet afternoon is planned for Saturday, April 17 from 3-5pm in Fellowship Hall. During this time the candidate will be introduced followed by social time for the congregation to ask questions and become familiar with this pastor.

Light refreshments will be served and RSVP's are requested so plans can be made accordingly. Please reply by phone or email to the church office for the Meet & Greet.

The next day, April 18, the candidate will deliver the Sunday sermon followed by a congregational meeting.

This is a very important weekend in the life of Mars UP Church. The PNC encourages all members of MUP to make every effort to attend the Meet & Greet, the Sunday service and congregational meeting. Arrangements for shut-ins to view an online meeting will be made available.



DON'T MISS IT!!!

WHEN: APRIL 17TH

TIME: 3:00 TO 5:00

WHERE: MARS UP CHURCH

FELLOWSHIP HALL

COME MEET OUR PASTORAL CANDIDATE & FAMILY



Thank you from the MUP Deacons.

Thank you to all who supported our
St. Patrick's Day Potato Soup Fundraiser.

To Date the Sale of the Soup provided a
profit of \$365.00



This profit will go towards our
Deacon Kindness Fund which helps those in need throughout our
community!

JOIN US FOR LENTEN/ EASTER SERVICES

MAUNDY THURSDAY --- Join us in person & live stream on April 1st at 7:00 pm

This solemn time we can reflect on the last evening Jesus shared with his disciples. The sacrament of communion will be offered. Rev. Paul Aiello and Pastor Karl Kennedy will lead worship.

GOOD FRIDAY — Rev. Paul Aiello and other pastors in our community will participate in the Mars Community Good Friday service on April 2nd at 12:15pm. This service will be held at Mars UP Church and will be in person and live stream.

EASTER SUNDAY — On Sunday, April 4th we will celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Join us in person & live stream at 10:00 am. Rev. Paul Aiello will be leading worship.

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He Is Risen!

Save the Date:

April 1st—Maundy Thursday Service with Communion

April 2nd—Good Friday Service

April 4th—Easter Sunday Worship

April 17th—Meet and Greet Pastor

April 18th—Pastor Preaches and Congregational Meeting



Contact Us

Stop by the office, email or give us a call for more information.

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Join us for Worship
10:00 am

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