

Elderton Presbyterian Church
Sixth Sunday of Easter/Mother's Day
May 10, 2026

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

ACOLYTE – Sophia Pinkerton

Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

Choral Introit

*Call to Worship: (**responsively**)

We gather today with grateful hearts

We give thanks for mothers, grandmothers, and all who care for us with compassion.

For those who guide us with wisdom, who comfort us in times of need,

We praise God for their strength, patience, and grace.

For those who are no longer with us, yet live on in our hearts,

We remember them with love and thanksgiving.

For those who long to be mothers, and those who carry unseen burdens,

We ask for God's peace, comfort, and hope.

God's love is like a mother's love—gentle, fierce, faithful, and everlasting.

We come to worship the One who created us, loves us, and calls us beloved.

*Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn No. 150 "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" MADRID

***Unison** Prayer of Confession:

You have commanded that we honor our mothers and fathers, O Lord. Still, we confess that we sometimes have an easier time identifying our differences with family than seeing the things we have in common. Forgive us, Lord, and show us how we can better forgive the people around us. Set us free to live in a community with you at the center. In the name of Jesus, who loved his earthly parents and his heavenly Father. Amen.

*Silent Prayer of Confession

*Words of Assurance

*Gloria Patri – page 579 – blue hymnal

THE WORD

Anthem "Lord Bless Our Homes"

Joys, Concerns, and God Sightings
Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

*Hymn Insert "In the Garden" MILES

Scripture John 20:11-18

Sermon "Mary the Tower" Dr. Angel De La Cruz

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

*Affirmation of Faith - The Apostles' Creed - in unison - page 14 in blue hymnal

Presentation of Our Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology – page 592 - blue hymnal

*Prayer

SENDING

*Praise Hymnal No. 122 "He Is Lord"

*Benediction

*Congregational Response:

God be with you til we meet again, by His counsels guide, uphold you, with His sheep securely fold you, God be with you til we meet again.

*Postlude

(*) Congregation Standing

A warm welcome to all those visiting with us today. We are pleased that you are here. As we unite in worship, we pray that you are blessed and encouraged as we aim to create an uplifting service for everyone. To connect with you and provide any support you may need, we kindly ask you to fill out the welcome card in the pew racks. Please place it in the offering plate when you are done.

A nursery is available for your convenience, located in the educational complex of the building.

PRAYER CHAIN REQUEST CONTACT – Linda Prugh – 724-464-8861

GREETERS TODAY – Joe Scrips and Dave Pletcher

GREETERS NEXT WEEK – Justin and Cierra Claypoole

ACOLYTE NEXT WEEK – Jonah Scrips

HOMEBOUND MEMBER – Nancy Rupert

Grey's Colonial Acres Home

272 Colonial Drive

Kittanning, PA 16201

VISITATION TEAMS FOR MAY

Elders – Sarah Pritt and Kathy Burns

Deacons – Ryan and Sarah Scrips

Our photo directory is progressing beautifully, but there's still time to submit your family picture! We want every member of our church family to be included. Additionally, if you have pictures from recent church activities, we'd love those too. Let's celebrate our vibrant community together!

We are excited to announce that Children's Summer Sunday School will be held on the second Sunday of each month in June, July, and August! The theme will be "Life is Colorful with Jesus". Adults are also invited to join us on those days for a light breakfast. If you're interested in hosting a breakfast, please contact Kathy Burns at 724-919-3840 for more details.

While our talented choir takes a well-deserved break for the summer, we need to fill our Sunday anthem time with something special. This can be music, singing, playing an instrument, a reading, a video, etc. Please share your talent with us! Please see Cassie to sign up.

THIS WEEK

May 12 – 10:00 – 3:00 – Helping Hand.

May 12 – 6:00 – Combined Safety Committee and Security Team meeting.

May 13 – 1:00 – Circle meeting at Nancy Schrecengost's home.

May 14 – 6:00 – Session and Deacons Meeting



*A mother
who loves her God and lives her faith
is a blessing to her children.*

*All thy children shall be taught of the LORD;
and great shall be the peace of thy children.*

ISAIAH 54:13



COMING UP

May 19 – 11:00 – Men’s Bible Study at Crouse’s Café in Shelocta

May 19 & May 20 – Butterfly Hill Preschool promotions and graduation

May 24 – 10:30 - Pentecost Sunday – Join us as we celebrate Pentecost by wearing red and/or white. Communion will be served during the worship service.

May 25 – 11:00 – Elderton Fire Department will host a Memorial Day Parade. BBQ chicken dinner immediately after.

June 1 – 6:00 – Safety and Security Training

PRAYER REQUESTS

Hannah Keith requests continued prayers for Tyler, Colton, and Conner’s Pap. He had a successful surgery and is waiting for some test results.

Barbara Johns requests prayers for Caprice as she returns to base after an enjoyable leave.

Dee Craig requests continued prayers for her sister Karen.

Blythe Johns requests prayers for Nancy, who is in the Cleveland Clinic, prayers for travel mercies for herself, Kiersten, and Gabriella, and prayers for Shawn Spencer as he heals from heart surgery.

Kris Longwell requests prayers for students and teachers as the end of the school year approaches.

Bob Griffin requests prayers for the Spearman family on the loss of Bob’s uncle.

Linda Prugh requests prayers for April Brochetti as she starts chemo for breast cancer, prayers for Joe Peters as he navigates cancer, prayers for Becca, who is recovering from being shot, and prayers for the family of the mother who was involved in a shooting and passed away.

Cassie Clowser requests prayers for her mother’s husband, Larry, who is in the hospital recovering from stomach surgery.

Cory Scrips requests prayers for a good friend of Kathy Jo’s, who is battling an aggressive cancer.

OUR JOYS

Jamey Brumbaugh will celebrate his birthday on May 6 and will retire.

Rachel Adamson will graduate from IUP on May 9.

Linda and Larry Prugh enjoyed a day with their grandsons.

Charlene and Angel are excited to have Angel’s sister, Jackie, visiting with them.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR VBS

JUNE 15 – 19 – 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm

RAINFOREST FALLS

To register your child, visit

<https://eldertonpc.org>

We are in need of helpers. To have a successful week, we need your help.

We need help in the following areas –

Kitchen – serving drinks and snacks

Group Leader – leading the children to each station

Craft Leader – leading the craft of the day

Game Leader – leading the children through the daily outdoor game

Please prayerfully consider volunteering for this fun-filled mission.

We are also collecting monetary donations for VBS.

Please give to Kathy Burns, Jodi Klingensmith, or Susan Schrecengost
