

*Assurance of Pardon

L: Hear the good news: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

P: In Jesus Christ, God has spoken a final word of grace...a word stronger than sin, a word that restores and makes new.

L: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

P: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Alleluia and Amen!

*Gloria Patri

Passing of the Peace

“Good Morning!”

Anthem *Redeemed!*

Chancel Choir

Time With The Children

Morning Prayer, the Lord’s Prayer, and Prayer Response

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is

in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and

forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin

against us; and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and

the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Readings: *Proverbs 15:1-4; James 3:1-12(ESV)*

Song of Praise #664

Thy Word

Sermon: **“The Weight of Words”** Jakob J. Harmon

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles’ Creed

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

*Doxology #34 *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

*Prayer of Dedication

(“Welcome to Linway” Cards will be collected by Deacons.)

*Closing Hymn #293

Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

*Charge and Benediction

*Congregational Response

He Is Lord

*Postlude

*Indicates those who are able to please stand

One Great Hour of Sharing: The kids/youth of Linway collected

\$128 in their fish banks for OGHS! This will go to the Presbyterian Church USA missions to help the poor, hungry & oppressed, or those experiencing natural disaster.



Video Recording: Portions of today’s 10:30 service will be recorded & posted to the Linway Facebook Page and website Monday evening at www.LinwayChurch.org



Contemporary Worship Service

9:15 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

Invocation

*Praise Song: *Overcome*

*Passing Of The Peace

Prayers of the People & the Lord’s Prayer

Praise Song: *Ancient Words*

Scripture Readings

Proverbs 15:1-4; James 3:1-12(ESV)

Message: Jakob J. Harmon

“The Weight of Words”

*Praise Song: *According to His Word*

Final Challenge and Depart to Serve

*Indicates those who are able to please stand



Reminder:

NEXT SUNDAY, April 26th there will be ONE WORSHIP SERVICE at 10:00 a.m.

When attending the 9:15 worship service, please:

- complete a “Welcome to Linway” Card and place it in the basket when exiting the Sanctuary.
- place any offering in the box when exiting the Sanctuary.
- use the restroom located out the front left Sanctuary door and then down the hallway.

The Church Staff

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Church Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 9:00-3:00; Fri 9:00-noon

Please use our East Entrance to visit during the week.

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Celebrating 129 Years

June 1, 1897—June 1, 2026

“Come, grow your faith in Jesus Christ with us.”



The purpose of Linway United Presbyterian Church is to joyfully worship and serve the mission

Sunday, April 19, 2026

The Third Sunday of Easter

The Way of Wisdom: The Weight of Words

“For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so.”

~James 3: 7-10 (ESV)

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

*Indicates those who are able to please stand

Prelude George Hawkins
Welcome and Announcements Arlene Szmuc, Liturgist

Gathering Prayer: (In Unison): **Gracious God, You spoke creation into being and in Your Word You give us life. We come before You aware that our words carry weight, that what we say can build up or tear down, heal or harm, bless or curse. Gather us now into Your presence. Quiet the careless speech within us, and attune our hearts to Your voice.**

By Your Spirit, teach us to speak with wisdom, to listen with humility, and to reflect the grace we have received in Christ. Form us here, O God, that our words may bear witness to Your gospel, which is our hope and our life. Through Jesus Christ, the living Word we pray. Amen.

Call To Worship

L: A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.

P: We come seeking the wisdom that gives life.

L: The tongue has the power to bless and to wound.

P: Lord, teach us to speak as your people.

L: Let our words be shaped by your Spirit, full of grace and truth.

P: Let us worship the God who speaks life. Alleluia!

*Hymn #294

Christ Arose!

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession (in unison): **Merciful God, You have called us to be people of truth and grace, yet we confess that our words often betray us. We speak too quickly and listen too little. We use our words to defend ourselves rather than to build up others. We have spoken in anger, in sarcasm, in judgment, and in ways that diminish those made in Your image. At times we have remained silent when a word of justice or hope was needed.**

Forgive us, we pray. Cleanse our hearts, that our mouths may speak what is good, what is right, and what is just. Teach us to use our words as instruments of Your peace and mercy, that the world might come to know You more through our speaking.

*Silent Prayer of Confession

"Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His steadfast love endures forever!" -Psalm 118: 1



In Our Prayers: David A, Helen Alexander, Annie, Kathy B, Patty B, Don & Donnie Baker, Chris, Jeannette Briggs, Jim C, Cheryl D, Kathy D, Nathan E, Betty Frommell, Michelle F, Barb Harvey, Clare & Sandy Hillgartner, Glenn H, Bev & Barry Harcum, Frank Kordalski Sr, Bill Knight, Harold L, Cindie M, Cindy & Ken McCall, L. M, Peg M, Andrew N, Howard N, Mark Pascarella, Arthur R, Renee R, Cindy S. Susan S, Shawn, Laura Shawley, Bill Szmuc, Bruce S, Glenda T, Tracey, Pat V, Kevin W, Scott W, Linda Wetzler

Welcome Children!

Sunday School: age 5 thru 5th grade. Every Sun. during the 10:30 service after Time With Children. Finishes at 11:30.

Coloring/Activity Sheets: are available at the Sanctuary entrance for children. Please help yourself or ask a Deacon.

The Nursery: is open for parents/guardians should you need to step out a moment with a little one. It is located out the front left doors & down the hall. Speakers allow you to hear the service.

Kid's Club: Will next get together Wed April 22nd 6:00-7:00 p.m. For kids age 5 thru 6th grade. Bible lesson, craft, snack, games, & music. Any child is welcome! Call the office for more info.

Missions: Help our local + international mission projects by placing a donation in a pew envelope & mark it "Mission Fund". Loose change left in the pew is also given to Missions. Thank you for assisting these worthy programs.

Sharing Their Time

Coffee Conn: Today's Snack: Leslie G.
4/26/26 Snack: Kim B.

Deacon Duty: Today: Arlene S, Stephanie S, Andrew D.
4/26/26: Chris S, Sami S, Kim B.

Sunday School: Today: Leslie G.
4/26/26: Leanne C.

Technology: Today: 9:15 Don 10:30 Rich
4/26/26: 10:00 Rich & Trent

Security: This Week: Scott G. 4/27/26: Kris D.

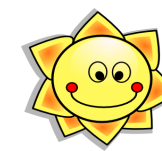
Church Fundraisers

Available after the service or contact the church office.

Giant Eagle Gift Cards - In \$25, \$50, or \$100 amounts.
-The church receives 5% of the value of the card.

Eat'n Park, Dunkin' Donuts, or Denny's Gift Cards,
-The church receives a percentage for each card.

Sarris Candy- \$2 Bars: Chocolate, Crisped Rice, Almond, or P.Butter or \$3 for a pack of Choco-covered Pretzel Rods.



Good Morning and Welcome to all who are worshipping with us today! We hope you will find the service meaningful and that you can come back and join us again. Please enjoy a refreshment inside the church entrance. We ask everyone to please complete a "Welcome to Linway" Card found in the pews. Restrooms and the Nursery are located out the front left Sanctuary doors, and then down the hallway.

LINWAY HAPPENINGS

Today 4/19

9:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service

10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service

New Member Class Noon -Friendly Fellowship Rm

Craft Ladies at 12:30 in Friendly Fellowship Rm

Kid's Club 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Choir Practice at 7:00

Linway Retreat in Ligonier

10:00 a.m. ONE WORSHIP SERVICE

Session Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Men's Breakfast at 9:00 at N.Versailles Eat n'Park

Tu 4/21

Wed 4/22

Th 4/23

Fri 4/24 - 4/26

Next Sun 4/26

Tu 4/28

Wed 4/29



Please Mark Your Calendar!

NEXT SUNDAY, April 26th there will be ONE WORSHIP SERVICE at 10:00 a.m.

Thank you for your understanding of this adjustment to our worship schedule on April 26th due to the Linway Retreat.

New Member Class: Today, April 19 at Noon will meet downstairs in the Friendly Fellowship Room across from the kitchen. This class is for anyone interested in becoming a member of Linway Church or for those who would like to learn more about Linway & the Presbyterian Church. Please see Pastor Jakob if you'd like to learn more. Didn't sign up before today? No problem! You're welcome to come.

May/June High School Graduates: Please contact the church office if you have a high school graduate in the family that would like to be recognized during our 10:30 service on May 24.

Need a Ride to/from Church? Contact the church office at 412-824-3555.

Community Clean-up Day Sat, May 2nd 8:30 a.m. to Noon
Meet at 8:30 at the VFW Post 8430 at 1200 Broadway Ave in East McKeesport. Gloves, garbage bags & light refreshments will be provided. Dumpsters will be at: NV Township Building, Fairhaven Ball Field, Crestas VFD & Green Valley Fire Hall.