

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Gracious God, you have called us to be a new community in Christ, and yet we remain divided.

Forgive us our fear, anxiety, prejudice, and misunderstandings.

Strengthen our common bonds and deepen our resolve to live the unity of your church.

As we gather at your table of grace, grant that we who eat together may be strengthened to serve in your name. Through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness (*responsively*)

This is the good news: all of us together have received God’s mercy in Christ.

In Christ we are forgiven, redeemed, and made to be a community united in faith. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Response *All Creatures of Our God and King* No. 455

And everyone of tender heart, Forgiving others, take your part.

O sing ye! Alleluia!

Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,

Praise God and cast on God your care!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Liturgy of the Word

Time with the Children

Children are invited to gather at the chancel steps. Following the *Time with the Children*, children will return to their seats in the sanctuary or follow their leaders downstairs to Children’s Church.

Infants through age 2 may be picked up in Room 202. 3’s may be picked up in Room 203. Ages 4 through 2nd grade may be picked up in Room 108.

Anthem *Dear Lord and Father* Parry
(The text may be found on page 345 of The Hymnal.)

Scripture Reading Philippians 3:4-14

Sermon *When an Answer Evokes a Question* Pastor John P. Leggett

*Hymn *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* No. 383

*The Apostles’ Creed (*unison*)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Concerns of the Church and Prayers of the People

This Week at MPC

Sunday, October 5 *World Communion Sunday*

- 9:00am Sunday School
- 10:00am Fellowship Time (Fellowship Hall)
- 10:30am Worship Service
- 11:35am Mission Ministry (Library)
- 1:00pm Korean Presbyterian Church Worship Service
- 4:00pm Pet Blessing Service (Outdoor Chapel)
- 4:30pm Spectrum Handbell Rehearsal (Bell Room)
- 6:00pm Disciple Bible Study Class (Parlor)
- 6:00pm Middle and High School Youth

Monday, October 6

- 11:00am Prime Timers meet at church to carpool to picnic
- 1:00pm Small Group *What’s So Amazing About Grace* (Blue Ridge Room, Sunnyside)
- 7:00pm Massanutten Ringers
- 7:00pm Deacon Ministry Chairs Mtg. (Library)
- 7:00pm Boy Scouts (119); Cub Scouts (117)

Tuesday, October 7

- 9:00am Yoga (Gathering Area)
- 1:00pm Staff Meeting (Library)

- 5:30pm Yoga (Gathering Area)
- 6:00pm People Helping People Dinner (Fellowship Hall)
- 7:00pm Property Ministry

Wednesday, October 8

- 6:30am Men’s Prayer Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)
- 9:15am Crossroads Pealers Rehearsal (Bell Room)
- 4:15pm Children’s Yoga (Gathering Area)
- 5:00pm WOW (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:30pm Disciple Bible Study (home of Peggy Reinhold)
- 7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Thursday, October 9

- 9:00am Yoga (Gathering Area)
- 10:00am Circle #4 (Sunnyside)
- 1:30pm Circle#1 (Parlor)

Friday, October 10

- 6:00pm Wedding Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Saturday, October 11

- 10:00am Massanutten Golf Tournament (Lakeview Golf Course)
- 6:00pm Wedding: Ki Weon Lee and Sanghee Park

Sunday, October 12

- 9:00am Sunday School
- 10:00am Fellowship Time (Gathering Area)
- 10:30am Worship Service
- 1:00pm Korean Presbyterian Church Worship Service
- 4:30pm Spectrum Handbell Rehearsal (Bell Room)
- 6:00pm Leadership Dinner (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:00pm Disciple Bible Study (Parlor)

STEWARDSHIP AND ATTENDANCE SUMMARY

Offering Given Last Week \$6,789.37

Offering Given Year to Date \$459,275.04

Weekly Need \$14,227.00

Difference (\$95,577.96)

Attending Worship Last Week 330

In response to the blessings of God in our lives, we give of ourselves—our time, our talents, our treasures, our hearts.

PRAYER CONCERNS

MEMBERS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Bob Schuster; Sherry Gordon; Frank and Carol Way; Greg Trobaugh; Ann Wilkinson; Nona Bowman; Dan Chalfant; Megan Phelps

FRIENDS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Patsy Jordan, friend of our church family; **Chalmers Goshorn**, brother of Ann Oldman and Bob Goshorn; **Jim Dobbs**, son of Harry and Alberta Dobbs; **J.C. DePoy**, friend of Nona Bowman; **Steve Hunter**, father-in-law of Jeannie Sutherland; **Claire Parker**, aunt of Leslie Dutt; **Patty Sigmon**, mother of Angie Wheeler; **Maurice and Becki Johnson**, friends of Mary Morris; **Tyler Long**, friend of Ed Comer; **Debbie Hartman**, friend of Kevin Caldwell; **Katie Cave**, friend of Josh Hylton; **Peggy McBride**, sister of Marilyn Spillman; **Dana Shreve**, friend of Leigh-Anne Lees; **Cindy McKean**, friend of Mary Morris; **Karen Monger**, aunt of Scott and Lisa Kanney; **Rex Via**, friend of our church family; great-niece of Marge Langfitt; **Judy Draper**, aunt of Leigh-Anne Lees; **Cornelia Robinson**, cousin of Jack and Nancy Heintzleman; **Angela Boley**, friend of the Food Pantry; **Laura Smith**, grandmother of Ray Stapleton; **Amelia Herring**, friend of Morgan Neary; **Flora Phelps Gutshall**, mother of Brian Phelps; **Lois Figgatt**, friend of Dee and Martha Floyd; **LaRue Cornish**, friend of our church family.

Please place prayer request cards (found in the seat ahead of you) in the offering plate to be included in our congregation's prayers. Feel free to resubmit any prayer concerns you may have.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Mark B. Heltzel, son of Helen Groves (Department of Navy Medical and Surgery, Washington, D.C.)
Elizabeth “Lee” Davis, daughter of Marc & Nancy Davis (stationed in Kuwait)
Jon Guinn, son of Mike and Ka Guinn (stationed in Savannah, GA)
Chad Ritchie, son of Robert & Ramona Ritchie (stationed in FL)
Chris Jerome, son of Bob Jerome (stationed in Newport, RI)
Stephanie Beard, granddaughter of Jean Beard (stationed in Germany)
Erin Burtner, cousin of Susan Newsome (stationed in Iraq)
Sean Duncan, cousin of Scott and Lisa Kanney (stationed in Missouri)
Scott Andrews, friend of Sam Thompson (stationed in the Persian Gulf)
Zulnea Andrews, friend of Sandy Thompson (stationed in Texas)
Chris Kibler, brother of Alana Miller (stationed in New York)

WE EXTEND OUR SYMPATHY TO...

the friends and family of **Martha Morgan. Netta Coulter** on the death of her brother, Giles Ray.
the friends and family of **Barbara Miller.**

Thanks to Those Serving During Worship	
Today	Next Week
<p>Greeters</p> <p>Dick and Carol Miller Kay Davis and Sherry Matthews</p> <p>Ushers</p> <p>Jim and Juli Colville, George Cross, Bud and Betty Long, Bob Milner, Dwight Newman</p> <p>Sunnyside Bus Driver</p> <p>Brian Phelps</p> <p>Sunday School Nursery</p> <p>Kristen Suter-Blye</p> <p>Communion Stewards</p> <p>Jacob Bales, Andrew Caldwell, Rachel Leggett, Kendra Strawderman</p> <p>Infant Nursery</p> <p>Sue Newman and Stephanie Toothman</p> <p>2 & 3 Year Olds</p> <p>John and Sally Brown and Hunter Davis</p> <p>Children’s Church Leader</p> <p>Barbara Palmer and Beth Webb</p>	<p>Greeters</p> <p>Denny and Rebecca Arthur Steve Gordon and Dwight William Newman</p> <p>Ushers</p> <p>William Comer, Steve and Sherry Gordon, Keith and Linda Knupp, Brian Phelps, Robin Reed, Bruce Rohlf</p> <p>Sunnyside Bus Driver</p> <p>Linda Green</p> <p>Sunday School Nursery</p> <p>Dale and Dorothy Dobroth</p> <p>Acolyte</p> <p>Brady Hylton</p> <p>Infant Nursery</p> <p>Brad and Angie Wheeler</p> <p>2 & 3 Year Olds</p> <p>Laura Atkins and Angie Baylor</p> <p>Children’s Church Leader</p> <p>Betsey Branner and Jennifer Coffelt</p>

Liturgy of the Table

Gathering of the Offering

Offertory *My Jesus, I Love Thee* arr. Wood

*Doxology No. 592

*Invitation to the Lord's Table

*Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

*The Lord's Prayer (*unison*)

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of the Cup

Communion of the People

(We will come forward to receive the bread and the cup. Please move toward the center of the church and move to the station serving your section. Take and eat a piece of bread from the loaf; then take and drink the cup. Stewards will collect your used cups. Move back to your seat by the opposite aisle.)

Sending

*Prayer after Communion

*Hymn *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ* No. 514

*Charge and Blessing

*Choral Response

*Postlude *Lift High the Cross* arr. Carter

*(*Please stand, who are able.)*

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT MASSANUTTEN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH!

We're glad you are here to worship God with us this morning. If you're looking for a church home, we invite you to consider joining Massanutten. Feel free to speak with our Pastor or a Deacon after worship, or call Pastor John Leggett at 540/434-6194 during the week.

Please see one of our Ushers if you would like a large Print Hymnal, Bible, or Bulletin.

Children are welcome in the sanctuary at all times, but a Nursery is available for *Infants to 3 years old* in Room 202 during the Worship Service. **Pagers** are available for parents of children staying in our nursery.

When the *Friendship Folder* is passed to you, please include your phone number and address.

Prayer Request Cards may be found in the seat racks. *Please place them in the offering plate.*

Do you have trouble hearing in the service? Please see an usher for information about Sonic Ear.

Please see the information on the tables in the Narthex to learn more about what's going on at Massanutten. Extra copies of our bi-monthly newsletter, *The Ministry Link*, may be found there. Please call the church office (540/434-6194) if you are not receiving *The Ministry Link* by mail.

Printed copies of *recent sermons* are available on the table in the narthex.

Worship service CDs are available; if you would like one, please call the church office.

You can find additional information about the many ministries and activities of Massanutten on our **website**: www.massanuttenchurch.org.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OCTOBER 5

- It is time to make your appointment for a photography session for our new directory. Everyone needs to make an appointment—no old pictures will be used. You can log on to the MPC website to sign up for a photo session for the **pictorial directory** or call the church office.
- We will receive our **Peacemaking Offering** this morning. Offering envelopes are in the chair racks for your convenience.
- We will be offering an outdoor service of **Pet Blessing** this afternoon at 4:00 p.m. at the outdoor Chapel. Please bring pets on a leash or in a cage.
- The **Women's Sunday School Class** has been suspended. If you have questions, please contact Nancy Ruh.
- The **Prime Timers Fall Outing** will be held at Betty Long's family cabin near Luray on Monday, Oct. 6. Church members and friends will carpool from the church at 11:00 a.m. and lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m. Everyone is asked to bring a covered dish to share. Beverages, plates, cups, etc. will be provided. Maps to the cabin are available on the table in the narthex.
- You are invited to attend the **Annual Meeting of People Helping People** on Tuesday, Oct. 7 at 6:00 p.m. with a covered-dish meal in the church fellowship hall. Chicken, beverages and table service will be provided.
- The members and friends of **MPC and the Korean Presbyterian Church** will hold a **joint covered-dish luncheon** on Sunday, Oct. 19 at 11:45 a.m. in the fellowship hall. Everyone from both congregations will bring food to share. Please make your reservations for the meal on the Friendship Folder this morning. Drinks will be provided. Look for more information in the October 1 Ministry Link.
- Mark your calendar. On Sunday, October 26 everyone is invited to attend a **covered-dish dinner at 5:00 p.m. followed by our Harvest Party. There will be games inside and then we will go outside for "Trunk and Treat"**. Make plans to attend!
- **Clean-up Buckets Needed.** Shenandoah's Disaster Response Team has issued an immediate call for congregations to assemble Gift of the Heart Clean-up Buckets in response to the flooding in the Gulf as well as throughout the mid-west. Flyers concerning what to put in the buckets and how to package the bucket are available on the table in the narthex.
- **Thank you** for the paper towel rolls you collected for Faith Village. At this time we have enough paper towel rolls for our project.
- Everyone participating in the **Golf Tournament** on Saturday at Lakeview, please meet at the pro shop at 9:30 a.m.
- Reminder: **Middle and Senior High Youth** will meet this evening at 6:00 p.m.



Massanutten
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A Service for the Lord's Day
World Communion Sunday

October 5, 2008

10:30 a.m.

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements Kathy Frakes, Worship Leader

Prelude *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ* arr. Carter

For Silent Meditation during the Opening Music

God of grace, in the time that is before us, prepare us to lift our voices and hearts giving glory and honor to you. Remind us again of your deep love for us, so that even in the stillness of our meditation, our thoughts are a response of joy. Amen.

*Call to Worship (*responsively*)

The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

We have heard what is good. And what does the Lord require of us?

To do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with God.

*Hymn *I Come with Joy* No. 507

*Prayer of the Day (*unison*)

Almighty God, your love is so vast that nothing will prevail against it. We know this love is trustworthy because of Jesus Christ: his life of compassion, death on the cross, and resurrection from the dead. In life and death we belong to you. Amen.

*Four-Cents-a-Meal Hunger Offering (*All Sing Together*)

*Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people, Light for the world to see.*

**Refrain: Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your Church gathered today.**

*Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us. Make us your living voice. (Refrain)*

*Longing for food, many are hungry, Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others, Shared until all are fed. (Refrain)*

*Longing for shelter, many are homeless, Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others, Walls made of living stones. (Refrain)*

*Many the gifts, many the people, Many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another, Signs of your kingdom come. (Refrain)*

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