

Assurance of Forgiveness (*responsively*)

Let us celebrate together the good news of the gospel of Jesus Christ:

In him, we are forgiven and made new. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Response of Praise *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* (Azmon)

*O for a thousand tongues to sing My dear Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of God's grace!*

*Jesus, the name that charms our fears, That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'Tis life, and health, and peace.*

Liturgy of the Word

Anthem *Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet* Natalie Sleeth

Time with the Children

The children are invited to gather at the chancel steps. Following the Children's Sermon, 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.

4's through Grade 2 may be picked up in Room 108.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Acts 2:37-47

Sermon *Who We Are and What We Do* Pastor John P. Leggett

*Hymn *Let All Things Now Living* No. 554

*The Affirmation of Faith (*unison*)

God sends the church into the world.

God has not taken his people out of the world,

but has sent them into the world

to worship him there and serve all humankind.

We worship God in the world

by standing before the Lord in behalf of all people.

Our cries for help and our songs of praise

are never for ourselves alone.

Worship is no retreat from the world;

it is part of our mission.

We serve humankind

by discerning what God is doing in the world

and joining him in his work.

We risk disagreement and error

when we try to say what God is doing here and now.

But we find guidance in God's deeds in the past

and his promises for the future,

as they are witnessed to in Scripture.

We affirm the Lord is at work,

especially in the events and movements

that free people by the gospel

and advance justice, compassion, and peace.

This Week at MPC

Sunday, October 14

9:00 am Church School
10:00 am Fellowship Coffee (Fellowship Hall)
10:30 am Worship Service
11:45 am Middle High Youth
1:00 pm Worship Service for Korean Presbyterian Church
4:30 pm Spectrum Teen Handbell Rehearsal

Monday, October 15

9:00 am Disciple 3 Bible Study Class (Gathering Area)
7:00 pm Massanutten Ringers Rehearsal
7:00 pm Boy Scouts (Picnic Shelter)

Tuesday, October 16

6:30 pm Disciple 3 Bible Study (Gathering Area)
7:00 pm Visitation Team Ministry (Parlor)

Wednesday, October 17

6:30 am Men's Prayer Breakfast

8:30 am Volunteers prepare newsletter for mailing
9:00 am Staff Meeting (West Office)
9:15 am Crossroads Pealers
4:30 pm WOW
7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Thursday, October 18

6:30 pm Disciple 1 Bible Study (Gathering Area)

Saturday, October 20

9:30 am Recorder Rehearsal

Sunday, October 21

9:00 am Church School
10:00 am Fellowship Coffee (Fellowship Hall)
10:30 am Worship Service
1:00 pm Worship Service for Korean Presbyteria-Church
4:30 pm Spectrum Handbell Rehearsal
6:30 pm New Member Reception (Parlor)
7:00 pm Session Meeting (Parlor)
7:00 pm Massanutten Brass Band Concert (Sanctuary)

STEWARDSHIP AND ATTENDANCE SUMMARY

Offering Given Last Week \$11,534.02

Offering Given Year to Date \$447,325.23

Weekly Need \$11,652.00

Difference (\$18,754.67)

Attending Sunday School Last Week 146

Attending Worship Last Week 385

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

PRAYER CONCERNS

MEMBERS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Bill Jackson, Jane Burfoot, Mary Jo Slane, Edith Binkley, Eleanor McCaskill, Kara French, Mary Lipscomb, Kelly Miller (Mission Trip to Africa)

FRIENDS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Dave Taylor, brother of Diann Reed; **Don Grimes**, friend of our church family; **Nick Linstid**, great nephew of Chuck and Anne Bradley; **Amaya Kinley**, friend of our church family; **Logan Hill**, friend of Fleming and Sharon Jones; **Scott Dovel**, nephew of Warren and Sharon Dovel; **Jack Burdge**, Butch Dutt's nephew; **Stephen Davis**, Stephanie Toothman's father; **Jennifer Albertini**, niece of Keith and Linda Knupp; **David Rose**, nephew of Ann Wilkinson; **Andy Depoy**, friend of Jim and Dawn Huffman; **Bland Hudgins**, father of Vaniene Delucas; **Chad Click**, friend of Larry French; **Judy Thompson**, cousin of Patti Hobbie; **Erick Kasten**, friend of Sharon Bloomquist; **Sue Ellen Church and Paul Lee**, friends of Kevin Caldwell; **Claude Ramey Jr.**, father of Angie Baylor; **Pauline Cash**, friend of our church family; **Donnie Mongold**, friend of Robert and Susan Reid; **Jay Megaw**, friend of Bill and Sharon Posey, **M. J. Nutty**, cousin of Tim Miller; **Mac Sterrett**, 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. Thank you for continuing to keep us informed of on-going prayer needs.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Mark B. Heltzel, son of Helen Groves (Department of Navy Medical and Surgery, Washington, D.C.)

Jon Guinn, son of Mike and Ka Guinn (stationed in Iraq)

Elizabeth "Lee" Davis, daughter of Marc and Nancy Davis (stationed in El Paso, TX)

Ryan Tarman, grandson of Dee and Martha Floyd (stationed in Washington)

Chad Ritchie, son of Robert and Ramona Ritchie (stationed in FL)

Chris Jerome, son of Bob Jerome (stationed in Naples, Italy)

Brent Rohrbaugh, brother of Rhonda Miller (stationed in Norfolk, VA)

Jeff Pascale, friend of the Wissinger family (stationed in Iraq)

Joey Arbogast, cousin of Dee Floyd (stationed in Iraq)

Stephanie Beard, granddaughter of Jean Beard (stationed in Germany)

Erin Burtner, cousin of Susan Newsome (stationed in Iraq)

Timothy Norville, friend of the Dobroths, Nickels, Wissingers and others of our church family (stationed in Iraq)

Rich Shull, nephew of Don and Dixie Dofflemyer (stationed in Iraq)

Thanks to Those Serving During Worship

Today

Greeters

Mark and Barbara Palmer
Brian and Gina Phelps

Ushers

Anne Bradley, Bud and Betty Long, Bob Milner, Robin Reed, Ramona Ritchie, Glenn Strawderman, Sandy Taylor

Sunnyside Bus Driver

Skip Wissinger

Sunday School Nursery

Becky Rohlf

Acolyte

Jacob Laughlin

Infant Nursery

Linda Knupp and Carol Poulson

2 & 3 Year Olds

Chris and Jennifer Bryant

Floater

Sandy and John Levengood

Children's Church Leader

Betsey Branner and Jennifer Coffelt

Next Week

Greeters

Chris and Mari Kyle
Dietrich and Audrey Maune

Ushers

Chris Bryant, Netta Coulter, George Cross, Steve and Sherry Gordon, Randy Hylton, Dwight Newman, Curt Schwalbach

Sunnyside Bus Driver

Richard Ours

Sunday School Nursery

Pam French

Acolyte

Logan Stewart

Infant Nursery

Chris and Mari Kyle

2 & 3 Year Olds

Jeff and Leigh-Anne Lees

Floater

Rebecca Arthur

Children's Church Leader

Alayne Leggett and Gina Phelps

Concerns of the Church and Prayers of the People

The Deacons may be found circulating through the congregation before and after worship. They can be identified by their red name tags. You are invited to share any prayer concerns with them to be included in our congregation's prayers.

Gathering of the Offering

Offertory Thy Will to See Clara Scott

*Doxology No. 593

*The 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.

Sending

*Hymn The Church's One Foundation No. 442

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude Prayer of Thanksgiving William Himes

*All stand, who are able.)

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT MASSANUTTEN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH!

We're glad that that 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 Pad 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.com

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OCTOBER 14

- Youth will meet from 11:45 am to 1:00 pm today. All youth grades 6-8 are encouraged to attend. Pizza will be served.
Join the MPC Youth for a Fall Party on Sunday, October 28 following the Fall Fellowship Dinner. There will be pumpkin decorating, apple bobbing, a cookie walk, and a trunk-or-treat! Decorate your car in a fall theme, load up the trunk with candy and goodies, and wait for the eager "trunk-or-treaters" to head your way. You may even win a prize for the best car decoration! Hope to see you there!
Plan to join us for a Fall Fellowship Dinner on Sunday, October 28 at 5 p.m. Chicken, some vegetables and drinks will be provided. Please let us know that you will be attending and if you will be bringing a dessert, salad/vegetable or bread. After dinner the adults will go to the sanctuary for a hymn sing and the children will go to the Fall Party. Reservations for the meal must be made by Sunday, October 21.
The Communications Ministry is pleased to offer for purchase an aerial photo of MPC. The photo is in the narthex along with order forms.
October is Pastor Appreciation Month. Please let Pastor John and Pastor Ann know how much you appreciate them by sending them a card or personal note.
Are you willing to serve as an usher on Sunday morning? If so, write usher beside your name on the friendship folder today.
The Skyline Literacy Coalition needs volunteer tutors to help members of our community improve their reading, writing, and speaking skills. A free tutoring-training workshop will be held on October 27 and November 3 at the Massanutten Regional Library from 9am to 4pm. Attendance at both sessions is required. To register call 879-2933 or sign up online at skylineliteracy.org.
Saturday, April 12, 2008, has been set aside for the MPC Auction. But to pull this off, we need your help. Call Linda Green at 289-5735 to see what you can do or write Auction beside your name on the Friendship Folder this morning and Linda will be in touch with you.
Blue Ridge Community College will be hosting the Virginia Hunger Symposium October 22-25. The symposium will examine the root causes of hunger in society and will raise awareness of all that can be done, both locally and nationally, to alleviate the problem of hunger in our community. All proceeds and donations received at the events will benefit the Blue Ridge Area Food Bank Network. For a schedule of events, please contact Jennifer Whitmore at 540-453-2380 or WhitmoreJ@brcc.edu.
The Sunnyside Retirement Community is holding their 3rd Apple Butter Festival on Saturday, November 3 at their campus in the Eiland Center. There will be Apple butter, a bake sale, furniture sale, and the "Sunny Treasurers" gift shop sale.



A Service for the Lord's Day
Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 14, 2007

10:30 a.m.

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements Anne Bradley, Worship Leader

Minute for Mission Heifer Project Corey Churchill

Prelude

For Silent Meditation during the Opening Music

God of life, thank you for calling us to belong to something so much bigger than ourselves. Thank you for your church in all times and places. We pray that all who come to worship today may sense that the gospel of Christ is so much bigger than this congregation. In Jesus' name, Amen.

*Call to Worship (responsively)

The God of creation makes us one in body!

Let us join hearts and voices in praise of the Lord!

The God of Christ makes us one in the Spirit!

Let us join hearts and voice in praise of the Lord!

*Hymn Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee No. 464

*Prayer of the Day (unison)

Almighty God, you call your church to witness to your love made known in Jesus Christ. Help us so to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may turn to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

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Church Office Hours

Monday through Thursday—8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. • Friday—8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.