

Gathering of the Offering

Offertory *Holy Ground* Geron Davis
(Medley)

*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 *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound* No. 280

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude *Immortal, Invisible* Peterson

*(*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 Massanut-

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OCTOBER 21

- 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 on the friendship folder by writing the number from your family who 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/youth will go to the Fall Party. Please make your reservations for dinner today.
- You are invited to Massanutten Preshool's **Harvest Festival** on Wednesday, October 24 from 10 am-1:30 pm at the picnic shelter. There will be crafts and activities for the young and young at heart. Lunch will be served from 11-12. The children will make chicken and beef soup and cornbread to share with everyone. We ask that you bring a dish to share for our feast. If you plan to attend, please call the church office and let them know how many from your family will be attending.
- **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.
- The **Weekday Religious Education Benefit Auction** will be held on October 29 at 10 am at Shady Oaks at Weaver's Mennonite Church on Route 33 West of Harrisonburg. Breakfast and lunch will be served.
- The Communications Ministry is pleased to offer for purchase an **aerial photo of MPC**. The photo is in the narthex along with order forms.
- **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.
- 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 its 3rd Apple Butter Festival on Saturday, November 3 at their campus in the Eiland Center. There will be apple butter, a bake sale, a Christmas Shop, furniture sale, and the "Sunny Treasurers" gift shop sale.



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

October 21, 2007

10:30 a.m.

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements Ann Pettit, Worship Leader

Minute for Mission *Stewardship: Walk with Jesus* Reid Laughlin

Prelude *Lift High the Cross* Nicholson/McAninch
Crossroads Pealers

For Silent Meditation during the Opening Music

"God gives because God loves. God gives to us because God loves us. And when we give our offerings to God as an act of worship we reflect that love. We love God back." (Mark Allan Powell in *Giving to God*)

*Call to Worship (*responsively*)

Our help is in the name of the LORD,
who made heaven and earth.

We have gathered to praise our gracious God.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow!

*Hymn *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* No. 263

*Prayer of the Day (*unison*)

Lord our God, love began with you and has filled our cup to overflowing. In the abundance of your countless gifts give us your grace to fill others' lives with love. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Lord. Amen.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**Eternal and merciful God,
you have loved us with a love beyond our understanding,
and you have set us on paths of righteousness for your name's sake.
Yet we have strayed from your way;
we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed.
As we remember the lavish gift of your grace
symbolized in baptism, O God,
we praise you and give you thanks that you forgive us yet again.
Grant us now, we pray, the grace to die daily to sin,
and to rise daily to new life in Christ,
in whose strong name we pray. 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.