

Assurance of Forgiveness (*responsively*)

By grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God.

Thanks be to God for the gift of forgiveness. Amen.

*Response of Praise *I Greet Thee Who My Sure Redeemer Art* (Toulon)

*Our hope is in no other save in Thee;
Our faith is built upon Thy promise free;
Lord, give us peace, and make us calm and sure,
That in Thy strength we evermore endure.*

Liturgy of the Word

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.**

Anthem *For Love Shall Be Our Song* -Wagner
Carol Choir

*God is love, God is peace,
God is joy and gladness.
May we then live our lives in love, in peace,
In joy with Christ our Lord.*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading John 4:5-42

Sermon *Living Water* Pastor John P. Leggett

*Hymn *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken* No. 446

*An Affirmation of Faith (*unison*)

**Jesus lived a truly human life.
Jesus was what we are.
He grew up in a family and a society
troubled by the common problems of the world.
His knowledge was limited
by his time and place in history.
He felt deeply the joy of friendship
and the hurt of being rejected.
Jesus prayed,
struggled with temptation,
knew anger,
and was subject to suffering and death.
He was like us in every way except sin.
Jesus was what we should be.
He served his Father with complete trust
and unwavering obedience.
He loved all kinds of people
and accepted their love.
In constant dependence upon the Holy Spirit,
Jesus allowed no temptation or threat to keep him
from loving God with his whole being**

This Week at MPC

Sunday, February 24

9:00am Church School
10:00am Fellowship Time (Fellowship Hall)
10:30am Worship Service
11:30am Lenten Luncheon (Fellowship Hall)
1:00pm Worship Service for Korean Presbyterian Church
3:00pm Organ Recital (Sanctuary)
6:00pm Middle School Youth Gathering
7:00pm Child Protection Training (Classroom 119)

Monday, February 25

9:00am Disciple 3 Bible Study (Gathering Area)
2:00pm Small Group (Sunnyside)
7:00pm Massanutten Ringers
7:00pm Child Protection Training (Classroom 119)
8:00pm MPC Men’s Basketball (EMHS)

Tuesday, February 26

1:00pm Staff Meeting (Gathering Area)
6:30pm Disciple 3 Bible Study (Gathering Area)

Wednesday, February 27

6:30am Men’s Prayer Breakfast
9:15am Crossroad Pealers Rehearsal
10:30am PW Coordinating Team (Gathering Area)
4:30pm WOW
7:00pm Small Group Book Study (Gathering Area)
7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Thursday, February 28

5:30pm Officer Training
6:30pm Disciple 1 Bible Study (Gathering Area)
7:00pm Food Pantry

Sunday, March 2

9:00am Church School
10:00am Fellowship Time (Fellowship Hall)
10:30am Worship Service

11:45am Spectrum Handbell Ensemble Rehearsal
1:00pm Worship Service for Korean Presbyterian Church
5:00pm Confirmation Class Group Meeting (Gathering Area)
6:00pm Senior High Youth Dinner and Gathering

STEWARDSHIP AND ATTENDANCE SUMMARY

Offering Given Last Week \$11,335.21
Offering Given Year to Date \$78,195.84
Weekly Need \$14,227.00

Difference (\$21,393.16)

Attending Sunday School Last Week 140

Attending Worship Last Week 347

*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

Bill Jackson, Kelly Miller (Mission Trip to Africa); **Frank Way; Bill Painter; Edith Binkley; Helen “Dabney” Dean; John Gronemeyer; Amaya Kinley; Rhonda Miller, Louise Levinson; Sam Gamble; Sherry Gordon, Nancy Davis**

FRIENDS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Don Grimes, friend of our church family; **David Rose**, nephew of Ann Wilkinson; **Judy Thompson**, cousin of Patti Hobbie; **Art Benz**, brother-in-law of Bob & Sharon Bloomquist; **Paul Lee**, friends of Kevin Caldwell; **Chuck & Chase Green**, friends of Tim Miller; **Courtney Rhodenizer**, great-niece of Karen Enslin; **Jeff Carriker**, member of the Massanutten Brass Band; **Lillian Yoder & Sandra Shifflett**, friends of Wilsene Scott; **Lance Huff**, brother-in-law of Sharon Jones; **Linda R. Garber**, sister of Ellen Blose & Ruth Smith; **William & Patricia Posey**, parents of Bill Posey; **John P. Schneider**, son of John & Helene Schneider; **Mittie Huff**, mother of Dorothy Dobroth; **Cathy Hively Hughs**, friend of the Longs, Newmans & Showalters; **Helen Wright**, Nancy Ruh’s mother; **Bethany Ritchie**, daughter of Robert & Ramona Ritchie, **Shirley Miller**, grandmother of Timothy & Lydia Miller; **Susan Geinsen and Lowell Miller**, friends of Diane Schwalbach; **Marcia Defreese**, friend of Massanutten School

Please place prayer request cards (found in the seat ahead of you) in the offering plate to be included in our congregation's prayers. Please 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.)
Jon Guinn, son of Mike and Ka Guinn (stationed in Iraq)
Elizabeth “Lee” Davis, daughter of Marc and Nancy Davis (stationed in Kuwait)
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)
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 (stationed in Iraq)
Rich Shull, nephew of Don and Dixie Dofflemeyer (stationed in Kuwait)

WE EXTEND OUR SYMPATHY...

...to **Ron and Sherry Mathews** and their family on the death of Ron’s uncle, Harvey McPhail

| Thanks to Those Serving During Worship | |
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| Today | Next Week |
| Greeters John and Sally Brown Keith and Linda Knupp | Greeters Chuck and Anne Bradley Nancy Lu Irvine |
| Ushers George Cross, Larry French, Linda and Colin Green, Bill Heinemann, Randy Hylton, Bruce Rohlf, Jack Wysor | Ushers William Comer, Steve and Sherry Gordon, Gail and Jim Oppy, Chris Preston, Greg and Ann Trobaugh |
| Sunnyside Bus Driver Tim Miller | Sunnyside Bus Driver Phil Miller |
| Sunday School Nursery Bonnie Moyers | Sunday School Nursery Kim Phillips |
| Acolyte Skylar Allen | Acolyte Sarah Haines |
| Infant Nursery Alayne Leggett and Jeannie Sutherland | Infant Nursery Dale and Dorothy Dobroth |
| 2 & 3 Year Olds Leslie Dutt and Becky Hylton | 2 & 3 Year Olds Melissa Caldwell and Ricki Irvine |
| Floater Nancy Lu Irvine | Floater Stephanie Toothman |
| Children’s Church Leader Angie Baylor and Vaniene Delucas | Children’s Church Leader Tim and Jill Kincaid |

and his neighbor as himself.
We recognize in Jesus what God created us to be.
He exposes our failure to live as he lived.
He demonstrates the new humanity
God promises to give us through him.

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 *What Wonderful Love is This* -Mansfield
 Jessica Jones, flute

*What wonderful love is this, O my soul,
 that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dreadful curse for my soul?
 What wonderful love is this, O my soul,
 that caused the Lord of life to lay aside his crown for my soul?*

*Doxology No. 592

*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 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* No. 101

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude *Fuge* Pachelbel

(*Please stand, who are able.)

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Church Office Hours

Monday through Thursday—8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Friday—8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

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 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 FEBRUARY 24

- Laura B. Douglass, Minister of Music at Asbury United Methodist Church in Harrisonburg, will present an **Organ Recital** this afternoon at 3:00 in the sanctuary. Bring your family and friends for an afternoon of music.
- Copies of the **Annual Report** are available in the narthex.
- **All childcare, nursery, WOW, Youth Leaders and Sunday School workers at MPC need to attend a training session on protecting our children.** Sessions will be held this evening and *Monday evening at 7:00* in Room 119 (Covenant classroom). Please make plans to *attend one of the sessions.*
- The Board of Deacons will host a **Lenten Luncheon** in the Fellowship Hall following worship today. The Deacons will also host a Lenten Luncheon on Sunday, March 9 grilled cheese sandwiches and pickles will be provided; please bring a soup/chili or desert. *Please make reservations for the March 9 lunch by writing Lenten Lunch and the number attending beside your name on the Friendship Folder today.*
- **Camp Massanetta** brochures and registration forms are available on the table in the narthex. Those registering for camp by April 20 will receive an early bird discount. Contact the church office for information on camp scholarships.
- Next Sunday we will receive our **4 Cents-a-Meal Hunger Offering.**
- The **Spectrum Handbell Ensemble**, under the direction of Kath Wissinger, is playing for worship at Trinity Lutheran Church today.
- Please submit all articles/dates for the March 5 **Ministry Link** to the church office by 3:00 p.m. on *Wednesday, February 27.*
- **Registration for Massanutten School is underway.** If you would like to enroll your child, please contact Cindy at 432-7177 or email her at mpcpreschool@comcast.net before *Friday, February 29.* We have classes for 2,3, and 4 year olds and also have a half-day kindergarten. Our teachers are all licensed and have a wonderful track record. Please let your friends and neighbors know about our school.
- We need one elementary school student to serve as a **communion steward** for the Maundy Thursday Service on March 20 at 7:00 p.m. If you would like to serve, please write *communion* beside your name on the Friendship Folder and we will contact you.
- Would you like to volunteer to be a **Worship Leader**? If so, write *worship leader* beside your name on the Friendship Folder and someone will contact you.
- **Vacation Bible School will be held July 27-31.** Please note the date change.
- The Fellowship Ministry is looking for volunteers to set up the **Coffee Fellowship** on Sunday mornings. If you need information or would like to volunteer, please write "*coffee*" beside your name on the Friendship Folder this morning.
- **Do you need a name tag?** Mislabeled yours or never had one? Please contact Gail Oppy at 249-4695 or sign up for a name tag in the narthex.



A Service for the Lord's Day
Third Sunday in Lent

February 24, 2008

10:30 a.m.

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements Mark Davis, Worship Leader

Minute for Mission *Camp Massanetta* Seth Flory

Prelude *Beneath the Cross of Jesus*

For Silent Meditation during the Opening Music

Lord, who throughout these forty days for us didst fast and pray, teach us with Thee to mourn our sins, and close by Thee to stay. Amen.

*Call to Worship (*responsively*)

The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Let us worship God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ.

We are new creations; the old has gone, the new has come!

Let us worship God as Christ's ambassadors.

Through us and through our worship may we announce the good news to all.

*Hymn *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* No. 276

*Prayer of the Day (*unison*)

Loving God, we gather this day drained by another week. We are like a parched desert, empty and in need of replenishment. Visit us with your presence, saturate us with your Spirit, and bathe us in your streams of living water, that our lives might worship you. Amen.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost.

We confess that we have strayed from you

and turned aside from your way.

We are misled by pride,

for we see ourselves pure when we are stained

and great when we are small.

We have failed in love, neglected justice,

and ignored your truth.

Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin.

Return us to paths of righteousness

through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.