

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 (Sine Nomine)

*Let ev'ry heart lift up God's name in praise;  
Each voice a song within this temple raise  
To God, whose goodness follows all our days:  
Alleluia, alleluia!*

### 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 may be picked up in Room 108.**

Anthem *Now the Green Blade Riseth*  
Recorder Ensemble

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Acts 2:14a;36-41

Sermon Pastor John P. Leggett  
*The Power of Passion: Cut to the Heart*

\*Hymn *Christ Is Alive!* No. 108

\*An Affirmation of Faith (*unison*)

**We believe in God:**

**who has created and is creating;**

**who is the source of all love;**

**who destroys death by the resurrection.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God:**

**who makes God known;**

**who shows us who we are created to be;**

**who teaches us what God's love is about.**

**We believe in God's Spirit:**

**who works in us to make us new;**

**who inspires, counsels, and guides;**

**who enables the church to share God's love in the world.**

**We are called to be the church:**

**to celebrate the good news;**

**to speak resurrection;**

**to preach Jesus, crucified and risen.**

**In life, in death, in life beyond death, we are not alone.**

**God is with us. Amen.**

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.*

## This Week at MPC

**Sunday, April 6**

9:00am Sunday School  
10:00am Fellowship Time (Fellowship Hall)  
10:30am Worship Service  
1:00pm Worship Service for Korean Presbyterian Church  
3:00pm Make A Difference Group (Library)  
4:30pm Spectrum Handbell Rehearsal  
5:00pm Confirmation Class and Mentors (GA)  
6:00pm Senior High Youth Dinner and Gathering

**Monday, April 7**

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

**Tuesday, April 8**

10:00am Circle #2 (Highlands)

10:00am Circle #3 (Sunnyside); Shoshana Circle  
1:00pm Staff Meeting (Gathering Area)  
1:30pm Prayer Shawl Ministry (Library)  
6:30pm Disciple 3 Bible Study (Gathering Area)  
7:00pm Circle #5 (Library)

**Wednesday, April 9**

6:30am Men's Prayer Breakfast  
9:15am Crossroad Pealers Rehearsal  
2:00pm Staff at Sunnyside Gathering  
7:00pm Small Group Book Study (GA)  
7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

**Thursday, April 10**

1:00pm Circle #4 (Sunnyside)  
1:30pm Circle #1 (Jefferson Room at Sunnyside)  
6:30pm Disciple 1 Bible Study (Gathering Area)

**Saturday, April 12**

5:00pm Youth Dinner and Talent Show  
(Fellowship Hall)

Thanks to Those Serving During Worship	
Today	Next Week
<b>Greeters</b>	<b>Greeters</b>
Denny and Becky Arthur Bob and Charlene Grogg	Gary and Bonnie Moyers Brad and Angie Wheeler
<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Ushers</b>
William Comer, Netta Coulter, Larry French, Steve and Sherry Gordon, Jim and Gail Oppy, Jack Wysor	Don and Carol Poulson, Chris Preston, Tim Miller, Juli and Marcus Sensa- baugh, Greg and Ann Trobaugh
<b>Sunnyside Bus Driver</b>	<b>Sunnyside Bus Driver</b>
Randy Atkins	Linda Green
<b>Sunday School Nursery</b>	<b>Sunday School Nursery</b>
Carol Poulson	Dannie Allen
<b>Acolyte</b>	<b>Acolyte</b>
Logan Comer	Camryn Huffman
<b>Infant Nursery</b>	<b>Infant Nursery</b>
Fleming and Sharon Jones	Eric and Kim Phillips
<b>2 &amp; 3 Year Olds</b>	<b>2 &amp; 3 Year Olds</b>
John and Sally Brown	Wendy Stapleton and Stephanie Toothman
<b>Floater</b>	<b>Floater</b>
Sandy Levengood	Carol Way
<b>Children's Church Leader</b>	<b>Children's Church Leader</b>
Reid and Sheila Laughlin	Betsey Branner and Jennifer Coffelt

**Sunday, April 13**

9:00am Sunday School  
10:00am Fellowship Time (Fellowship Hall)  
10:30am Worship Service  
11:45 am Middle School Youth  
1:00pm Worship Service for Korean Presbyterian Church  
4:30pm Spectrum Handbell Rehearsal  
5:30pm Officer Training

### STEWARDSHIP AND ATTENDANCE SUMMARY

**Offering Given Last Week** \$6483.31

**Offering Given Year to Date** \$164,218.77

**Weekly Need** \$14,227.00

**Difference** (\$20,732.23)

**Attending Sunday School Last Week** 87

**Attending Worship Last Week** 420

*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; John Gronemeyer; John Bjorkgren; Sherry Gordon; Anne Bradley; Bob Schuster; Sherry Matthews; Ann Wilkinson; the Confirmation Class; New Officers in officer training class.**

**FRIENDS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY**

**Don Grimes**, friend of our church family; **David Rose**, nephew of Ann Wilkinson; **Chuck & Chase Green**, friends of Tim Miller; **Lillian Yoder, Sandra Shifflett & Rhoda Lambert**, friends of Wilsene Scott; **William & Patricia Posey**, parents of Bill Posey; **Susan Geinsen and Lowell Miller**, friends of Diane Schwalbach; **Marcia De-freese**, friend of Massanutten School; **Lee and Reba Emswiler**, aunt & uncle of Charlotte Landes; **Stephen Craun**, friend of Bill & Sharon Posey; **Richard Barth**, father of Laura Atkins; **Bonnie Dellinger & Mary Sue VanHuss**, friends of Herman & Charlotte Landes; **Cameron Byer**, friend of Randy & Becky Hylton; **Ella Mead**, cousin of Leigh-Anne Lees; **Dawn Frock**, friend of Eric Nickel; **Jeff Lanigan**, friend of Kevin Caldwell; **Mathilda Stritzinger**, grandmother of Josh McFall; **Susan Sheuchuk**, daughter of Dee & Martha Floyd; **Joe & Ann Arnold**, parents of Jan Arnold; **Bob & Elizabeth Atkins**, parents of Mary Morris and Sharon Lam; **Patty Sigmon**, mother of Angie Wheeler.

*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 & Ka Guinn (stationed in Iraq)

**Elizabeth "Lee" Davis**, daughter of Marc & Nancy Davis (stationed in Kuwait)

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

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

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

**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 & Dixie Dofflemeyer (stationed in Kuwait)

Gathering of the Offering

Offertory *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* arr. Willan

\*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 *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today* No. 113

\*Charge and Blessing

\*Postlude *Let All Together Praise Our God* Walther

(\*Please stand, who are able.)

**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.org](http://www.massanuttenchurch.org)

**SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR APRIL 6**

- This morning we will receive our 4 Cents-a-Meal Hunger Offering.
- We welcome Carol Lown to our staff to serve as the interim, part-time Church Organist and Worship Accompanist.
- Congratulations to Chris and Mari Kyle on the birth of their daughter, Abigail Stevenson Kyle born March 21, 2008. Chris and Mari also have a son, William.
- **The MPC Youth will hold a Dinner and Talent Show** on Saturday, April 12 at 5:00 p.m. followed by the Talent Show. The dinner will consist of a Taco bar, Spanish rice, fruit and drink. The cost is \$5 per person and tickets may be purchased in the narthex this morning. Those wishing to share their talent may sign up on the sheets in the narthex. All ages are invited to participate.
- Please join others of you church family on Tuesday, April 22 at 7:00 p.m. as **Bruce and Lora Whearty share about their upcoming ministry to Addis Ababa, Ethiopia** where they will teach English. The Whearty's have a deep and passionate love for mission and for the connections that are growing between churches and our mission workers on the field.
- **Massanutten School and the Youth of MPC will sponsor a yard sale, bake sale, craft sale, book sale, car wash, and silent auction on Saturday, May 10** from 8 a.m.-noon on the church parking lot. There will be barbecued chicken (\$3 per half), hot dogs, chips, and drinks. Contact Cindy Grimes (746-0362) to reserve a space to sell your crafts or yard sale items. Chicken will be presold and will also be sold on the 10th.
- **Please donate your good used books** to the church to be sold on May 10. Proceeds from the book sale will go to purchase school supplies for our Food Pantry friends children. Please leave your books on the stage in the Fellowship Hall by May 4.
- The **Shenandoah Valley Choral Society** will present their spring concert on Friday, April 18 at 7:30 p.m. at the Bridgewater Church of the Brethren. For more information pick up a flyer in the narthex.
- The church office is in the process of **updating church member and visitor records**. If you have a new address, phone number or email address, please write this information on the Friendship Folder or email the church office by April 14.
- **The MPC Women are collecting new and gently used sheets and thermal blankets for Church World Service Overseas Missions.** Single and double sizes are preferred; others will be accepted. Place your items in the box marked n the Fellowship Hall.
- **Camp Massanetta News:** New this summer is the Soccer Camp for boys and girls (completed 3rd-5th grades) and the Cheerleading Camp for girls (completed 3rd-5th). Christian collegiate level players and cheerleaders will offer special instruction each day. Campers will enjoy the traditional camp activities with their counselors and volunteer worship leaders, including Bible study, swimming campfires, songs, and games. If you have questions about camp programs, please contact Camp Massanetta by email at [camp@massanettasprings.org](mailto:camp@massanettasprings.org) or by phone at 434-3829. Contact the church office for



A Service for the Lord's Day  
*Third Sunday of Easter*

April 6, 2008

10:30 a.m.

**Gathering**

Welcome and Announcements Fred Burfoot, Worship Leader

Prelude *All Praise to Jesus' Hallowed name* J. S. Bach

For Silent Meditation during the Opening Music

*Loving God, we come to worship you today. We come to sing, pray, and listen. You always hear us. Help us to hear you. Amen.*

\*Call to Worship (*responsively*)

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

O give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good;

**God's steadfast love endures forever.**

\*Hymn *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven* No. 478

\*Prayer of the Day (*unison*)

**We give you thanks, O God, for the hope we have in Jesus, who died but is risen and rules over all. Because he lives, we look for eternal life, knowing that nothing past, present, or yet to come can separate us from your great love made known in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

\*Four-Cents-a-Meal Hunger Offering

*Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,*

*Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ the Son. (Repeat)*

*And now let the weak say "I am strong," let the poor say "I am rich"*

*Because of what the Lord has done for us. (Repeat) Give thanks.*

*(1978 Integrity's Hosanna! Music used by permission under CCLI#1292921)*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

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**Church Office Hours**

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