

*Prayer of the Day (*unison*)

God, whose beauty is revealed in a summer rose, we praise your creative perfection. God, whose joy is revealed in the reunion of old friends, we praise your never-failing companionship. God, whose concern is revealed in the tough struggles, we adore your essential peacefulness. Be revealed in this time of worship, O God, as our voices sing your praise, as our minds are challenged by your Word, and as our hearts respond to your great love in Jesus, your Anointed One. Amen.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Too often, Holy One, we forget to love you a little bit, much less with our hearts, minds, strengths, and souls. Too easily, we forget to love our neighbors, building higher and higher walls between us. Too quickly, we forget your call to servanthood, hearing instead the applause and accolades of the world. Forgive us, God of Freedom and Hope. Bring us to the Table of grace, where we will be healed; fill us with your steadfast love; lift us to our feet so we might follow Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, into the ministry of servanthood and sacrifice that is our calling. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness (*responsively*)

Paul assures us of God’s reconciling graciousness when he writes, “You know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for our sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.”

In Christ we may dwell in the richness of God’s favor, and may rest assured in the fullness of God’s redeeming forgiveness. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Response of Praise *God of the Sparrow* Carl F. Schalk

*God of the sparrow, God of the whale, God of the swirling stars
How does the creature say Awe, How does the creature say Praise
God of the rainbow, God of the cross, God of the empty grave
How does the creature say Grace, How does the creature say Thanks.*

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.

Presentation of Bibles to Children’s Church Graduates

Recognition of Graduating Seniors

*Hymn *Lord I Lift Your Name on High* Insert/PowerPoint

Scripture Reading Matthew 28:16-20

Sermon *The Burning Bush
The Healing
Fearfully and Wonderfully Made*

This Week at MPC

Sunday, May 18

- 9:00am Sunday School
- 10:00am Fellowship Time (Fellowship Hall)
- 10:30am Worship Service
- 3:00pm Friends at Play Concert (Sanctuary)
- 1:00pm Korean Presbyterian Church Worship Service
- 4:30pm Spectrum Handbell Rehearsal
- 5:00pm Confirmands, Parents, Mentors and Elders Dinner followed by examination of confirmands and Session Meeting

Monday, May 19

- 7:00pm Massanutten Ringers Rehearsal
- 7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, May 20

- 9:00am Yoga (Gathering Area)
- 1100pm MPC Clergy Lunch (Gathering Area)
- 1:00pm Staff Meeting (Library)

Wednesday, May 21

- 6:30am Men’s Prayer Breakfast
- 8:30am Massanutten School Celebration (5/21-5/23) (Fellowship Hall, Picnic Shelter, Playground)
- 5:30pm Yoga (Gathering Area)
- 7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 8:30pm Softball Game (Weyers Cave Ruritan Park)

Thursday, May 22

- 9:00am Yoga (Gathering Area)
- 7:00pm Food Pantry

Friday, May 23

- 6:00pm Korean Church Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Saturday, May 24

- 6:00pm Recorder Rehearsal

Sunday, May 25

- 10:00am Fellowship Time (Fellowship Hall)
- 10:30am Worship Service

- 1:00pm Korean Presbyterian Church Worship Service
- 4:30pm Spectrum Handbell Rehearsal

STEWARDSHIP AND ATTENDANCE SUMMARY

Offering Given Last Week	\$14,442.60
Offering Given Year to Date	\$244,806.81
Weekly Need	\$14,227.00
Difference	(\$25,506.19)
Attending Sunday School Last Week	127
Attending Worship Last Week	333

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; Frank Way; Edith Binkley; John Gronemeyer; John Bjorkgren; Sherry Gordon; Anne Bradley; Bob Schuster; Rose Pollard; Nancy Kegley; Buck Ritchie; the Confirmation 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; **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 Defreese**, friend of Massanutten School; **Stephen Craun**, friend of Bill & Sharon Posey; **Bonnie Dellinger & Mary Sue VanHuss**, friends of Herman & Charlotte Landes; **Cameron Byer**, friend of Randy & Becky Hylton; **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; **John Meanor**, uncle of Dick Miller; **Charles and Cathy Burke**, parents of Jacki Nickel; **Holly Dillion**, friend of Laura Atkins; **Opal Newland**, sister of Dodie Groseclose; **Bruce and Mildred McCall**, brother and sister-in-law of Dodie Groseclose; **Mac McCall**, brother of Dodie Groseclose; **Jim Laughlin**, father of Reid Laughlin.; **Norvell Lapsley**, friend of our church family; **Madelaine Smith and family**, friends of the Hobbie family; **Effie and Martha**, friends of our Food Pantry; **Kristell Aldana-Pacheco**, friend of Chris McAnulty; **Dr. Clem Mueller**, friend of our church family; **Mabel French**, mother of Larry French; **Suzanne Benge**, daughter of Rex and Margaret Springston; **Lauren Travis**, daughter of Rhonda Travis and granddaughter of J. R. and Patricia Copper; **Gloria Hildebrand**, friend of Patricia Copper; **Chuck Melton**, friend of Chris Scott; **Shirley Jones**, mother of Fleming Jones; **Kelly Necessary**, friend of Jim & Gail Oppy.

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)

WE EXTEND OUR SYMPATHY TO...

...Floyd and Jean Wall on the death of Floyd’s sister, Abby Bowers

Thanks to Those Serving During Worship	
Today	Next Week
Greeters	Greeters
Chris and Jessica Preston Robin and Diann Reed	Alberta Dobbs and Annabelle Shortell Curt and Diane Schwalbach
Ushers	Ushers
William Comer, Steve and Sherry Gordon, Don and Carol Poulson, Chris Preston, Greg and Ann Trobaugh	Randy Hylton, Fleming Jones, Jim and Gail Oppy, Chris Scott, Julie and Marcus Sensabaugh, Jeannie Sutherland
Sunnyside Bus Driver	Sunnyside Bus Driver
Linda Green	Randy Atkins
Sunday School Nursery	Sunday School Nursery
Linda Knupp	Bonnie Moyers
Acolyte	Acolyte
Logan Comer	Brady Hylton
Infant Nursery	Infant Nursery
Mark and Barbara Palmer	Brad and Angie Wheeler
2 & 3 Year Olds	2 & 3 Year Olds
Betsey Branner and Sharon Churchill	Gail Oppy and Rhonda Stees
Floater	Floater
Diane Schwalbach	Carol Poulson
Children’s Church Leader	Children’s Church Leader
No Children’s Church this Sunday	Leslie Dutt and Wendy Stapleton

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 I Sing the Mighty Power of God James Curnow
Ryan Stees

*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 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! No. 138

*Charge and Blessing

*Choral Response Siyahamba (We Are Marching)

Siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos', Siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos', Siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos', Siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos'. Siyahamba, Siyahamba, oh, Siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos'. Siyahamba, Siyahamba, oh, Siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos'.

We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God. We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God. We are marching, we are marching, oh, we are marching in the light of God. We are marching, we are marching, oh, we are marching in the light of God.

*Postlude

(*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.

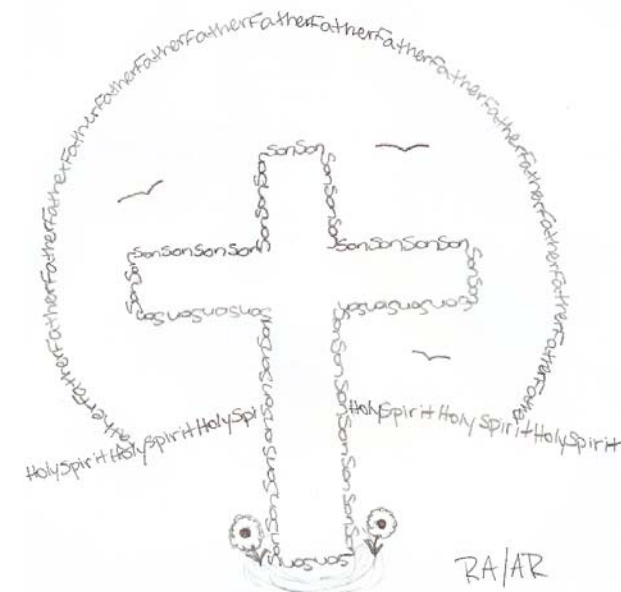
Printed copies of recent sermons are available on the table in the narthex.

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.org.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MAY 18:

- We welcome Lindsay Sensabaugh as our guest pianist this morning.
Congratulations to our graduating seniors, Marcus Sensabaugh and Jacquelyn Jones.
The Friends at Play Concert—Eight Hands at Two Pianos will be held at MPC on Sunday, May 18 at 3:00 p.m. The concert is free and open to the public.
The Confirmation Class along with their parents, mentors and elders will meet this evening for dinner followed by the examination of the confirmands. The Session will meet following the examination.
The Massanutten Presbyterian Women will hold their Birthday Celebration at Sunnyside's Meredith Chapel on Sunday, June 1 at 7:00 p.m. The speakers for the evening will be Kelly Miller and Peggy Reinhold. Everyone is invited to attend. If you need transportation, call Ruth Smith (434-2234). Those needing transportation from the Highlands should be in the lobby by 6:45 p.m.
Spectrum Youth Handbell Ensemble will present a concert at the church on Monday, June 9 at 7:00 p.m. Make plans to attend and invite your friends.
A Women's Bible Study will be held on June 8 and 22; July 13 and 20, August 10 and 17. The study is from the "Sisters" series from Cokesbury. The first study is entitled "Finding Balance." The cost of the book is \$7.00. Contact Nancy Ruh for more information.
Sunday School will not be held during the summer months, June-August. The last session for children and youth is May 18—includes preschool, Faith Village and Youth Sunday School. For Adult Sunday School classes check with the teacher for details and schedule.
MPC Education Grants are available on the table in the narthex. Any member of MPC who is 1) a graduating high school senior and has been accepted by a two year or four year institute of higher education, or 2) a person enrolling in a Presbyterian Seminary for a degree in the ministry or Christian education is available.
The church nursery is missing five pagers. If you have accidentally taken a pager home, please try to remember to return it to the nursery as soon as possible.
Are you looking for a special program for a creative son or daughter, look at the specialty programs at Camp Massanetta. This summer's offerings include a Crafty Camp, an Arts Camp, and a M.A.D.D. (Music, Arts, Drama and Dance) Camp. Fun-filled programs are available for completed Kindergarten through high school graduates. Pick up your camp brochure on the table in the narthex or call 434-3829. Check with the church office for scholarship information.



Massanutten PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A Service for the Lord's Day
Trinity Sunday

May 18, 2008

10:30 a.m.

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Mission

Youth Mission Trip

Prelude

Bell Boogie

Spectrum Hand Bell Choir

For Silent Meditation during the Opening Music

God, sometimes life is like juggling monkeys. We have way too much to do and way too little time to do it. We demand perfection, and we can't stop and settle for anything less. Help us trust, God. Help us trust others to help share our work. Calm us and give us the Sabbath that we need – even if it is only for a short time. Give us a Sabbath day, a Sabbath hour, a Sabbath minute. Help us take just one moment when we think of nothing at all but You. Help us breathe. Let us feel your touch like a replenishing neck rub. We have so much to do, God. Help us get through. Amen.

*Call to Worship (responsively)

God, who created all things and named them "good," has shaped us in the divine image.

We come, with grace-filled hearts, into the presence of our Creator.

Jesus, who led the way by carrying a cross, has brought us into the kingdom of God.

We come, our brokenness made whole, into the presence of our Redeemer.

The Holy Spirit, who brings us together from many places, calls us to be the household of God.

We come, all walls broken down, into the presence of our Sustainer.

*Hymn

Spirit

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