

Assurance of Forgiveness (*responsively*)

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God’s love toward us.

**In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Glory to God. Amen.**

\*Response Psalm 104 (St. Peter)

*O Lord, how marvelous Your works; Your wisdom, without peer!  
The richest blessings heav’n can boast You deign to show us here.*

*Your glory, Lord, always endures, Your mercy, all our days;  
O may I never cease to fill Your courts with songs of praise!*

**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 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. Ages 4 through 2nd grade may be picked up in Room 108.**

Anthem *The King of Love, My Shepherd Is*  
*Nancy and Hunter Davis and Kelly Richardson*

Scripture Reading Romans 8:26-39

Sermon *The Tenacious Love of God* Pastor John P. Leggett

\*Hymn *Fight the Good Fight* No. 307

\*An Affirmation of Faith (*unison*)

**We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

(Romans 8: 1, 28, 38, 39)

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 *Psalm 104* -arr. Wilan

**This Week at MPC**

**Sunday, July 27**

9:00am Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)  
10:30am Worship Service  
11:30am Lemonade Fellowship (Fellowship Hall)  
1:00pm Korean Presbyterian Church Worship Service  
6:00-8:15pm Vacation Bible School

**Monday, July 28**

2:00pm Small Group (Sunnyside)  
6:00-8:15pm Vacation Bible School

**Tuesday, July 29**

No Yoga  
1:00pm Staff Meeting  
6:00-8:15pm Vacation Bible School

**Wednesday, July 30**

6:30am Men’s Prayer Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)  
No Yoga  
6:00-8:15pm Vacation Bible School

**Thursday, July 31**

No Yoga  
6:00-8:15pm Vacation Bible School

**Friday, August 1**

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

**Sunday, August 3**

7:45am Early Worship (Outdoor Chapel)  
9:00am Overview of General Assembly (Gathering Area)  
9:00am Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)  
10:30am Worship Service  
11:30am Lemonade Fellowship (Fellowship Hall)  
1:00pm Korean Presbyterian Church Worship Service  
7:00pm Women’s Bible Study (Parlor)

**STEWARDSHIP AND ATTENDANCE SUMMARY**

**Offering Given Last Week** \$8,491.05

**Offering Given Year to Date** \$355,907.51

**Weekly Need** \$14,227.00

**Difference** (\$56,675.49)

**Attending Worship Last Week** 330

*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; Anne Bradley; Bob Schuster; Barbara Walker; Sherry Gordon; Annabelle Shortell; Martha Morgan; Betty Hancock; Mary Elizabeth Thompson; Frank and Carol Way**

**FRIENDS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY**

**William & Patricia Posey**, parents of Bill Posey; **Bruce and Mildred McCall, Mac McCall, Opal Newland**, family of Dodie Groseclose; **Dr. Clem Mueller**, friend of our church family; **Kelly Necessary**, friend of Jim & Gail Oppy; **Bonnie Simmons**, friend of Chris and Jessica Preston; **Donna Funk**, friend of Dick and Karen Leecy; **Patsy Jordan**, friend of our church family; **Frances Plecker**, a friend of our church family; **Jeff Reid**, friend of Bill Frazier; **Kristell Aldana-Pacheco and Belinda Campbell**, friends of Chris McAnulty; **Stephen Craun**, friend of Bill and Sharon Posey; **Marge Nolan**, aunt of Bill Frazier; **the family of Jason Breeden**, friends of Kira and Kendra Carrier; **Don and Mary Bagwell**, friends of Kathy Frakes; **Ken and Jen McCann**, son and daughter-in-law of Richard and Barbara McCann; **Chalmers Goshorn**, brother of Ann Oldman and Bob Goshorn; **Don Jones**, son-in-law of Winnie Simmers; **Ethel Anderson**, aunt of Sharon Lam and Mary Morris; **Teresa Shafer**, friend of Mary Morris; **Jim Dobbs**, son of Harry and Alberta Dobbs; **Dick and Carol Miller**, (New Wilmington Mission Conference); **Frank Demas**, brother-in-law of Rick and Cindy Pachis; **Ira Andrews**, friend of Melissa Leecy; **J. W. and Erin Johnson and family**, friends of Butch and Leslie Dutt; **Jared Dutt**, son of Butch and Leslie Dutt; **Virginia Gammon**, mother of Doris Field; **Kevin Ruh**, son of Ken and Nancy Ruh (Mission Trip to Peru).

*Please place prayer request cards (found in the seat ahead of you) in the offering plate to be included in our congregation's prayers. 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.)  
**Elizabeth “Lee” Davis**, daughter of Marc & Nancy Davis (stationed in Kuwait)  
**Jon Guinn**, son of Mike and Ka Guinn (stationed in Savannah, GA)  
**Chad Ritchie**, son of Robert & Ramona Ritchie (stationed in FL)  
**Chris Jerome**, son of Bob Jerome (stationed in Newport, RI)  
**Stephanie Beard**, granddaughter of Jean Beard (stationed in Germany)  
**Erin Burtner**, cousin of Susan Newsome (stationed in Iraq)  
**Sean Duncan**, cousin of Scott and Lisa Kanney (stationed in Missouri)  
**Scott Andrews**, friend of Sam Thompson (stationed in the Persian Gulf)  
**Zulnea Andrews**, friend of Sandy Thompson (stationed in Texas)

**WE EXTEND OUR SYMPATHY TO...**

...**Doug and Margaret Hylton and Randy and Becky Hylton** on the death of Margaret’s sister, Nancy Campbell.  
...the family and friends of **Lindy Kersh**.

Thanks to Those Serving During Worship	
Today	Next Week
<b>Greeters</b>	<b>Greeters</b>
Mark and Kay Davis Kitty Leggett and Ruth Sensabaugh	Tim and Lisa Cooper Jeff and Leigh-Anne Lees
<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Ushers</b>
Chris Bryant, Jim and Juli Colville, George Cross, Larry French, Steve and Sherry Gordon, Eric Phillips	William Comer, Linda and Colin Green, Randy Hylton, Chris Preston, Chris Scott, Greg and Ann Trobaugh
<b>Sunnyside Bus Driver</b>	<b>Sunnyside Bus Driver</b>
Skip Wissinger	Richard Ours
<b>Sunday School Nursery</b>	<b>Sunday School Nursery</b>
Kay Davis	Bonnie Moyers
<b>Acolyte</b>	<b>Acolyte</b>
Sarah Haines	TBA
<b>Infant Nursery</b>	<b>Infant Nursery</b>
Jan Arnold and Hunter Davis	Deb Comer and Susie Diehl
<b>2 &amp; 3 Year Olds</b>	<b>2 &amp; 3 Year Olds</b>
Dale and Dorothy Dobroth	Leslie Dutt and Jeannie Sutherland
<b>Children’s Church Leader</b>	<b>Children’s Church Leader</b>
Kevin and Rhonda Stees	Deb Comer and Wendy Stapleton

\*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 *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* No. 376

\*Charge and Blessing

\*Choral Response

\*Postlude *I Know that My Redeemer Lives* - Duke Street

(\*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 Folder* 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.

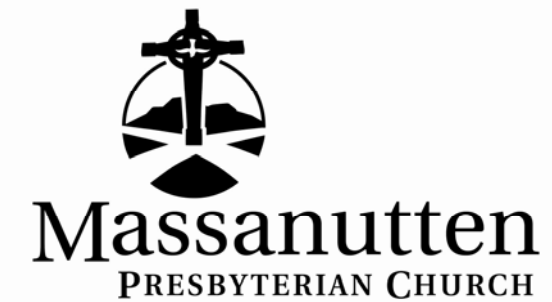
Printed copies of *recent sermons* are available on the table in the narthex.

*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 JULY 27:

- **Vacation Bible School—Power Lab—Discovering Jesus' Miraculous Power**, will begin this evening and conclude on Thursday. The program is from 6:00-8:15p.m. We hope to see your children at VBS this evening!
- **Join us for White Water Rafting with "River Riders" in Harper's Ferry on Saturday, August 9.** Please place a check for your \$10 deposit in the church offering today. For more information talk to Nancy Ruh or Ann Pettit.
- Registration for **WOW, Worship On Wednesday**, for children and youth 1st grade – youth will begin on Sunday, August 3. The first session is September 10-December 3 and the second session is January 14-March 18. Look for more information in the July 23 Ministry Link.
- **Mark your calendar, the next Blood Drive at MPC is August 5 (note date change).** We are looking for a few good men and women to share the gift of life with someone in need. This would be a good opportunity for college students who are home for the summer to "roll up their sleeve". Look for posters announcing the event and sign-up for a time slot following worship this morning or call Shawn Green at 289-5735. It will take an hour of your time to help a neighbor in need.
- The **85th Annual Massanetta Springs Bible and Church Music Conference** will begin with a cookout at the Nook at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 3 and conclude with worship at 7:00 p.m. on Friday. Brochures are available on the table in the narthex.
- Stop by the **Disciple Bible Study** table in the narthex and check out the options for the 2008-2009 program. Browse the possibilities and fill out an interest card giving us an idea of the day(s) of the week and time(s) that best suit your schedule. Contact Nancy Ruh at the church, 434-6194 or [nruh@massanuttenchurch.org](mailto:nruh@massanuttenchurch.org) for more information.
- **Massanutten School is collecting Campbell's Soup labels.** Place your labels in the container near the nursery on the lower level.
- The Nursery Committee is delighted to share the news that our caregiver, Wanda Plum has decided to stay! When you have a moment, please pay her a visit in the nursery and welcome her back.



A Service for the Lord's Day  
*Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

July 27, 2008

10:30 a.m.

#### Gathering

Welcome and Announcements Ellen Painter, Worship Leader

Prelude *All Glory Be to God on High* - Pachelbel

For Silent Meditation during the Opening Music

*Called by your grace to worship you, O God, we ask that you help us to center every thought, word, and breath in you. Deepen within us an awareness of your wondrous love that holds us fast wherever we may go. Amen.*

\*Call to Worship (*responsively*)

The peace of Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.

**Sing, and give praise to God's name; tell the glad news of salvation from day to day.**

\*Hymn *O Worship the King, All Glorious Above* No. 476

\*Prayer of the Day (*responsively*)

O God, who created us in love,

**create us anew in love as we worship you.**

O Jesus Christ, who redeemed this world in love,

**reclaim our hearts as we worship you.**

O Holy Spirit, who moves this world toward its God-appointed end,

**move within us as we worship you. Amen.**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**God of love,**

**in the wrong we have done,**

**and in the good we have not done,**

**we have sinned in ignorance; we have sinned in weakness;**

**we have sinned through our own deliberate fault.**

**We are truly sorry. We repent and turn to you.**

**Forgive us and renew our lives through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

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**Carla Moore**, Financial Secretary ([cmoore@massanuttenchurch.org](mailto:cmoore@massanuttenchurch.org))

#### 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.*