

Massanutten Ministry Link

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September 3, 2008

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

SUNDAY SCHOOL (Sept - May)
9:00 a.m.
SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:30 a.m.

September 7, 2008

*Twenty-Third Sunday in
Ordinary Time*

Sermon Text

Romans 13:8-14

Sermon Title

The Law of Love

Worship Leader

Nancy Davis

Hymns

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling
Though I May Speak
Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

September 14, 2008

*Twenty-Fourth Sunday in
Ordinary Time*

Sermon Text

Romans 14:1-12

Sermon Title

*Life Before God and One
Another*

Worship Leader

Dick Miller


Hymns


*How Lovely, Lord
Help Us Accept Each Other
When We Are Living*



**Harrisonburg
CROP WALK
September 28, 2008
Begins at 2:30 p.m.
Liberty Street Parking Lot**

Did you know:

 ...according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture report "Household Food Security in the United States, 2005," 11 percent of U.S. homes did not have access "to enough food for an active, healthy life for all household members" at least some time during the year?

 ...up to a quarter of the money donated to CROP Hunger Walk is returned to the community where it was raised to help local soup kitchens and food pantries?

CROP Hunger Walks, sponsored by Church World Service, help children and families worldwide -- and right here in the U.S. -- to have food for today, while building for a better tomorrow. The Community Outreach Ministry of the Massanutten Deacons encourages you to join us on Sunday afternoon, September 28th for the Harrisonburg CROP WALK. Information and Sponsor forms are available at the church now or by contacting David Allen: 442-1140; hburgallens@comcast.net!

"We walk because they walk."



I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. (Jeremiah 29:11)



Massanutten
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*"At the crossroads of real life and abundant grace,
where God's children are...
meeting Christ in each other,
praying earnestly,
listening carefully,
singing joyfully,
and joining boldly
with the Spirit's work in the world."*

Care Group Fellowship

During the month of September Care Group Shepherds will be meeting with their Care Groups in the fellowship hall for cookies and lemonade following worship.

The following shepherds will be meeting with their Care Groups Sunday, September 7:

Ed Comer, Linda Knupp, Ron Matthews, Kelly Richardson, Helen Scully, Marc Toothman.

Transportation will be provided for Sunnyside residents.

The ABC's of Worship

for children in K-5th grade and their parents!
Sunday, September 14, 2008 at 4:00 p.m.

Come learn about:

- Acolytes and the meaning of Light in our faith
- Baptism and what a Baptism steward does
- Communion and the Communion steward's role



Supper will be provided!
Call the church office by September 10th
and let us know you'll be there!

Yoga Update...

Yoga at MPC will continue this fall. Note the following changes...

Adult Yoga: Tuesday & Thursday, 9:00 a.m.
1st, 2nd, 4th Tuesday, 5:30 p.m.

Children's Yoga* (parents welcome!): Wednesday, 4:15 p.m.
* Parents must contact Nancy Ruh if interested. Space is limited.
Classes will run in 4 week sessions.

Watch the calendar on the website and in the bulletin for occasional cancellations.



WOW

(Worship On Wednesday)
begins September 10!
~be sure to register~

The next issue of the *Ministry Link* will be mailed Wednesday, September 17. Please submit any material for publication to the church office by 3:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 10.

SPECTRUM Teen Handbell Ensemble

All interested teens are invited to join the fun. This group of lively ringers often employs advanced techniques (which are easily taught) to cover more than the average number of bells. We play monthly in church and will attend the Area III Youth Festival with 500 other teen ringers from the mid-Atlantic states on Nov. 21-23, 2008 in Richmond (Tim

Waugh, one of our favorites, is the director.) We also play for other churches and nursing homes and take a spring tour.

Being in this group is incredibly rewarding, challenging and fun! Prior music experience is helpful. Even more so, it requires a high degree of commitment from the ringer as well as the parent. Please consider joining us! Talk to Jane Haines, Marcus Sensabaugh, Rachel Atkins or Austin Reed for more information.



Call Kath Wissinger, director, asap, since rehearsals are underway. 289-6973.

Time ⌚ out for Massanutten School!

School is in session and we are off to a great start. There are 88 of us this year so things will be busy! Stay tuned for upcoming events and reports on what is happening at Massanutten School!



Sunday School resumes this week!

Sunday School begins at 9:00 a.m. Classes for all ages are available and open to everyone.

For children and youth:

- Preschool (ages 2 to 4 years)
- Faith Village (K - 5th)
- Middle School (6th - 8th)
- High School (9th - 12th)

For Adults:

- Covenant Class - The discussion Schedule for the next three months is as follows:

September 7	The Miraculous Life of Christ
September 14	The Incomparable Christ
September 21	The Claims of Christ
October 5	The Incendiary Christ
October 12	Christ, The Only Path To Salvation
October 19	Christ, The Lord of Life
October 26	Christ, The master Teacher
November 2-23	The Miracles of Christ
November 30	Christ's Last Will & Testament

Middle School Youth

Instead of meeting the evening of September 21, we will attend the Middle School Rally at Massanetta Springs! Take a look at the details below.

We will meet at 9:00 a.m. for Sunday school and leave the church in time to get to the conference center and register by 10:30 a.m. Permission slips are required and will be given out at the September 7 youth meeting as well as at Sunday School.



Hakuna Matata.....Gospel style

"So do not start worrying.....Instead, be concerned above everything else with the Kingdom of God..."
from Matthew 6:28-33

The Shenandoah Presbytery's Fall Middler Rally will be held **Sunday, September 21st from 10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. at Massanetta Springs.** There will be recreation, hands on projects, worship, lunch, energizers, music and new friends! The rally is for all youth currently in the 6th, 7th, and 8th grades and their adult advisors.

Contact Alana Miller at momofmegcait@comcast.net if you plan to attend.

- Disciple Class - This class will study the book *Praying Twice: The Music and Words of Congregational Song*. You need not be trained in music as a prerequisite to taking part. You will understand singing in church at a deeper level by the time you complete the course. It would be useful to have a copy of the book; you can go to www.amazon.com and elsewhere on the Web to find sources for buying the book at reduced prices, and order your own copy. You're invited!
- Women's Class - This is the latest addition to our Sunday school ministry. Participants will be using *The Present Word* as the resource for study. The intent of *The Present Word* is to enhance our understanding of scripture as it relates to life experience as well to create a greater awareness of God's self-disclosure. Participants are invited to reflect on how they might live in faith and love.

Child Protection Training . . .

- ☆ **All Child Care/WOW/Youth/Nursery/Sunday School Volunteers** must attend a training session on protecting our children. If this applies to you and you have not previously attended a session, please attend Sunday, September 7 at 5:00p.m. Contact Nancy Ruh (nruh@massanuttenchurch.org or 434-6194) if you have questions.



Golf Tournament

- ☆ Be sure to sign up for MPC's Golf Tournament to begin at 10:00 a.m., **Saturday, October 11th at Lakeview Golf Club** in Harrisonburg. The deadline to sign up is September 28!

Simply write "golf" by your name on the Sunday worship Friendship Folder or contact the church office 434-6194. The fee is 35.00 plus \$8.00 for lunch.

Pictorial Directory



You can now log on to the MPC website to sign up for photo sessions for the pictorial directory or you can sign up in the narthex on Sunday September 7, 14, 21, or 28 from 10-10:30am and following worship. Schedule your appointment today!

Our Service



Emergency Meals Cookers

We have cookers preparing food for people and their family for specific situations: arrives new baby at home, stays in the hospital, continues with illness or gets new surgery.

Cookers have tasks. They call the specific person to bring food on the available day. They can bring a complete meal or only specific items, such as soup, casserole or dessert.

Suggestions: Put directions on the casserole to bake at temperature and time. List ingredients on the food so people know the contents. Some may have specific allergies or are diabetic.

If you want to be added to the Emergency Meals Cookers list, contact Jean Wall (fljaw@aol.com/564-1469) or Susan J. Reid (reidsj@jmu.edu/568.4040). Thanks for your help.



Congratulations!

Anna Kathryn Richardson
was born August 22
weighing 6lbs 15ozs.

She is the daughter of Matthew and Kelly Richardson and granddaughter of Marc and Nancy Davis .

STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION THROUGH AUGUST 31	
Weekly Budget Need	\$14,227.00
Budget Need Year To Date	\$497,945.00
Received Year To Date	\$415,409.18
Difference	-\$82,535.82
<i>In response to the blessings of God in our lives, we give of ourselves—our time, our talents, our treasures, our hearts.</i>	

Nominations for Elders and Deacons

The nominating committee is in the process of identifying individuals that are qualified and available to serve as church officers beginning in May 2009.

Nomination forms are available in the Narthex. Please put the completed nomination forms in the offering plate, turn the forms into the church office or give the form to a member of the nominating committee. You may also E mail your elder or deacon nominations to Larry French, chair of the nominating committee at lbfl414@aol.com. Thanks !

Gail Oppy, Leslie Dutt, Phil Miller, Sharon Lam, Betsy Harvey, Dorothy Dobroth and Larry French

Serving Among Us	September 7, 2008	September 14, 2008
Greeters	Bob and Patsy Bales, Dale and Dorothy Dobroth, Stephen and Kristen Cosby	Keith and Linda Knupp, Ann Callender, Ruth Sensabaugh, Pat Armstrong
Ushers	Chris Bryant, William Comer, Larry French, Steve and Sherry Gordon, Randy Hylton, Dwight Newman, Eric Phillips	Colin and Linda Green, Jeff Lown, Jim and Gail Oppy, Chris Scott, Greg and Ann Trobaugh
Sunnyside Bus Driver	Tim Miller	Phil Miller
Acolyte	Brady Hylton	Kyle Nickel
Sunday School Nursery	Sally Brown	Betsy Harvey
Infant Nursery	Andrew and Julie Miller	Jeff and Leigh-Anne Lees
2 & 3 Year Old Nursery	Sheila Laughlin and Gina Phelps	Kim Phillips and Carol Poulson
Children's Church Leaders	Nancy Wayland and Alayne Leggett	Janet Morris and Ricki Irvine



Under the Radar

Bill Heinemann is our focus this issue. His strong presence is most visible when he is taking his turns as a lay leader in Sunday worship services, but there are other places where he serves, especially in MPC's Food Pantry.

Bill grew up in South Dakota as a Roman Catholic, but when he and his high school sweetheart Sharon married, he went with her to her Presbyterian church and has been a Presbyterian ever since. He has been an elder in churches in Nebraska, Ohio, and Herndon, Virginia. Bill served in the Navy and was trained as an electronic technician. When his enlistment was up he moved into civilian life and began working for Xerox. He stayed with Xerox for 35 years before retiring, with 33 of those years in the ranks of management. He became what Xerox terms a "Senior Partner" and in his post in Northern Virginia he was involved in the supervision of 1,800 people.

Sharon and Bill had four boys, two of whom attended JMU (they now have 9 grandchildren). Having found this area congenial, when Bill retired in 1996 they moved to Massanutten Village. The associate pastor of their church in Herndon was a good friend of our former pastor Dr. Poole, and so they came directly to MPC.

Bill figures he's served enough time as an elder and has chosen other paths of church activity. He enjoyed his time as a member of the Worship Committee from 2005 to 2008, and working on the committee that studied the matter of "should MPC have a Board of Deacons?" back when we only had elders. Bill loves athletics and enjoys golf and tennis, but he found another MPC niche as pitcher on the church's softball team. He has been serving as a lay leader in worship and as an usher for some years now. Interdenominationally, he is on the board of

directors of People Helping People. Another community service area where Bill has been active for ten years now is the federal government's PAYEE program, run by the Social Security Administration, in which citizens handle money on behalf of incapacitated people. Over the years Bill has had about 8 different clients he has helped; currently he works with two clients.

But his greatest sense of reward has been his work with the MPC Food Pantry. Bill was not on the committee which designed and created it, but he and Sharon quickly became active in it. Since their interests so often move in different directions, Bill says one of the very best things about it is that he and Sharon can work as a team at it. They do everything together—shopping for food, driving to the food bank in Verona, answering emergency calls for food, picking up food that various community sources provide (schools, churches, businesses, sororities, and other organizations which happen to have leftover food), and of course helping staff the Food Pantry when it is open. They deeply appreciate the relationships they have developed while doing this, and the wide range of friends it has provided. Bill says that on average, he puts 50 hours a week into the Food Pantry. That's a lot of time under the radar. When interviewed, he was looking forward to speaking to the Keezletown Ruritan Club in the next week about the Pantry's work. That he is an effective spokesman for it is foregone.

Bill says that what makes his MPC experience feel so good in his life is his work in feeding the hungry through the food pantry. He also is most appreciative of the way MPC has become more productive in recent years. "I see it blossoming," he says. One reason it blossoms is what goes on under the radar by people like Bill and Sharon Heinemann. Well done, good people!

THESE DAYS

Daily Devotions for Living by Faith

These Days features daily meditations and devotions written by clergy and lay leaders.

Each quarterly issue includes:

- A devotion for each day

- An action step that enables readers to apply what they've read to their lives
- Seasonal art with poems, prayers, and songs
- Information about the writers
- Suggestions for using the devotions
- A segment on contemporary issues, and

- Questions for reflection and discussion.

Copies of this publication are supplied by our Presbyterian Women and are available on the PW table in the Narthex. While these are offered at no cost, donations are accepted to help cover the cost of the subscription. Please take advantage of this resource.

Announcements

Shenandoah Presbytery

- **The fall Wellspring Spirituality Retreat, Faith Journeys: Where is God Leading You?** will be September 22-24. Join others in the quiet and beauty of fall for a time to grow in your walk with God through theme time with Pastoral Guide Ann Jahnes, worship, music, spirituality centers, an outdoor labyrinth and rest.
- **The annual Family Conference "A Space for Grace"** October 10-12 promises to be a great weekend away for families, full of inspirational themes around making space for God amidst our cluttered lives. We will also have great family fun with hayrides and apple cider making!
- Massanetta Springs welcomes all who labor in our churches to the **annual Church Professionals Respite**. YES! This is for all our Christian Educators, Musicians, Youth Workers, Secretaries- all who work so diligently in the life of our churches.
- Looking ahead to our **Handbell event, Ringing at the Springs**, be sure to put February 27-March 1, 2009 on your calendar. Join Director Tim Waugh for inspirational and expert direction for Intermediate and Advanced groups.

Scholarship Opportunity at Mary Baldwin College

Eiler Scholarship

The current requirements for the scholarship are: 1) Must be a member of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), 2) student or family (mother/father) must be engaged in agribusiness within the boundaries of Rockingham County, 3) must be planning to attend a Presbyterian related college located within the Synod of the Mid-Atlantic.

Those interested in receiving information about Mary Baldwin College, should contact Kathy McDaniel at 800-468-2262.



A Community Celebration

sponsored by the Mt. Olive and Cooks Creek Presbyterian churches and Troop 83, Boys Scouts of America to Benefit the Morgan Brown Children's Trust

Saturday, September 6 from 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

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| ☆ Yard Sale | 8:00 a.m. to Noon
Erickson Avenue, Belmont Estates |  | ☆ 50/50 Bingo | 3:00 p.m. until... |
| | | | (plus activities for children and youth) | Mount Olive Presbyterian Church |
| ☆ Chicken BBQ | 9:30 a.m.
West Rockingham Ruritan Park | | ☆ Blue Grass and Gospel Concerts |  |
| | 10:00 a.m.
Erickson Avenue, Belmont Estates | | Trout Pond Pickers | 4:00 p.m. |
| | | | Adoration | 5:30 p.m. |
| | | | Brent Burkholder | |
| | | | and Blue Mountain Sunrise | 7:00 p.m. |
| ☆ Boys Scout Demonstration and Camp-out | 3:00 p.m. Mount Olive Presbyterian Church | | | |
| | <i>-come by and try your skills in a variety of activities-</i> | | | |
- Raffle Items valued from \$10 to \$1,000. Do not have to be present to win.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Bill Jackson, Anne Bradley, Bob Schuster, Sherry Gordon, Martha Morgan, Frank and Carol Way, Megan Phelps, Adam Teter

FRIENDS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

William & Patricia Posey, parents of Bill Posey;
Bruce and Mildred McCall, Mac McCall, Opal Newland, family of Dodie Groseclose
Kelly Necessary, friend of Jim & Gail Oppy
Patsy Jordan, friend of our church family
Frances Plecker, friend of our church family
Chalmers Goshorn, brother of Ann Oldman and Bob Goshorn
Jim Dobbs, son of Harry and Alberta Dobbs
Frank Demas, brother-in-law of Rick and Cindy Pachis
Virginia Gammon, mother of Doris Field
Noel Gleason, family of Kevin and Beth Webb
J.C. DePoy, friend of Nona Bowman

James Fairfield, Bonnie Dellinger and Mary Sue VanHuss, friends of Herman and Charlotte Landes
Mary Gladys Shifflett, friends of William Preston
Bob Moran, father of Patrick Moran and friend of the Schwalbach and Webb families
Steve Hunter, father-in-law of Jeannie Sutherland
Claire Parker, aunt of Leslie Dutt
Patty Sigmon, mother of Angie Wheeler
Maurice and Becki Johnson, friends of Mary Morris
Phil Chavez, community member prayer request
Tyler Long, friend of Ed Comer
Debbie Hartman, friend of Kevin Caldwell
Mark and Cheryl Lindsay and Family, friends of the Hylton family
Katie Cave, friend of Josh Hylton

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...

... Don and Alice Krech and family on the death of Alice's son, Bruce Boje

Thank you for continuing to keep us informed of ongoing prayer needs. Feel free to resubmit any prayer concerns you may have. Prayer concerns may be submitted using the Prayer Request Cards found on the back of the seats during Sunday worship or by contacting the church office.



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September 2008					
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
<p><i>7</i> 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Called Session Meeting (Library) 10:30am Worship Service 11:30am Care Group Fellowship (Fellowship Hall) 1:00pm Korean Presbyterian Church Worship Service 4:30pm Spectrum Handbell Rehearsal (Bell Room) 5:00pm Child Protection Training (Parlor) 5:30pm Chancel Choir Picnic (Carol Lown's house) 6:00pm Middle School Youth and High School Youth mtgs</p>	<p><i>8</i> 10:00am Food Pantry</p> <p>7:00pm Session Ministries 7:00pm Deacons Meeting 7:00pm Boy Scouts 7:30pm Worship Ministry Meeting</p>	<p><i>9</i> 9:00am Yoga (Gathering Area) 10:00am Circle #2 (Highlands) 10:00am Circle #3 (Sunnyside) 10:00am Shoshana Circle with Juli Colville 1:00pm Staff Meeting (Library) 3:00pm Windcatchers Meeting (Library) 5:30pm Yoga (Gathering Area) 7:00pm Circle #5 (Library)</p>	<p><i>10</i> 6:30am Men's Prayer Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)</p> <p>5:00pm WOW (Fellowship Hall) 7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)</p>	<p><i>11</i> 9:00am Yoga (Gathering Area)</p> <p>1:00pm Circle #4 (Sunnyside) 1:30pm Circle #1 (Gathering Area)</p>	<p><i>12</i> 6:00pm Korean Pres. Church Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)</p> <hr/> <p><i>13</i> Sat 6:00pm Recorders Rehearsal (Choir Room)</p>
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