

Liturgy of the Table

Gathering of the Offering

Offertory *Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel* Dan Edwards
Spectrum Handbells

*Doxology No. 593

*Invitation to the Lord's Table

*The Great 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.

Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of the Cup

Communion of the People

(We will come forward to receive communion. Please move toward the center of the church and move to the station serving your section. Take and eat a piece of bread from the loaf; then take and drink the cup. Stewards will collect your used cups. Move back to your seat by the opposite aisle.)

Sending

*Prayer after Communion

*Hymn *For the Bread Which You Have Broken* No. 508

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude

*(*All stand, who are able.)*

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT MASSANUTTEN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH!

We're glad that that 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 the Deacon of the Day 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 Link*, may be found there. Please call the church office (540/434-6194) if you are not receiving *The 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 25

- **Massanutten Brass Band Concert—Hymn Tunes and Marches** this evening at 7:00 p.m. at MPC.
- Next Sunday we will receive our **4-Cents-a-Meal Hunger Offering**.
- The Deacons will be hosting **Lenten Luncheons on March 4 and 25** following the worship service. On March 4 we will provide grilled cheese sandwiches and pickles and you are to provide chili or soup and a dessert. On March 25 we will provide pasta, bread and lettuce for the salad bar and you are to provide sauce and salad toppings and dessert.
- **Adult Study for Lent: *Easter in Focus***, a Lenten Bible Study, will be held in Room 105. We will be sharing reflections on the person and work of Jesus, and the implications of his life, death and resurrection in our lives today. Please bring your Bible. Jack Heintzleman will serve as class leader. The **Covenant Sunday Class** will have a Lenten study entitled ***From Death to Life—40 Questions for Lent***. It comes from the meditations of Fredrick Buechner. The study deals with hearing God's voice and responding to God's faithfulness during the 40 days of Lent. The emphasis is on renewing one's faith and living it every day. Dick Miller will serve as class leader. Both classes are a seven week series (Feb. 18-April 1).
- If you have ever been trained or part of a **lay ministry program** that offers comfort and support in a very intentional way to individuals in a congregation, and are able to share your wisdom, please write LM next to your name in the Friendship Folder.
- The next **Inquirers' Class** will be a four-hour seminar designed to explore what it means to be a member of Massanutten Presbyterian Church. You are invited to meet with Pastor John on Sunday, March 4 from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. Childcare and Dinner will be provided, so please call the church office to sign up. Thanks for your participation at Massanutten! *You may also register on the website by clicking on the "Join Us" tab on the home page or on the Friendship Folder.*
- The **Presbyterian Women are collecting new and used sheets** (any size or color) and thermal blankets (twin and double) for Church World Service. Please place your donations under the PW table in the narthex.
- All of us at **Camp Massanetta** are excited to share our Summer 2007 offerings with you! Whether campers are new or seasoned Camp Massanetta veterans, we hope that you will come and experience God's grace and hospitality. Our theme this year is "Life is Good" and all campers will have the opportunity to learn about God's great gifts. If you have questions about camp programs, please contact Camp Massanetta at campmassanetta@yahoo.com or by phone 434-3829.
- **The Worship Ministry of MPC is looking for communion stewards.** If you feel called to answer this need, please write CS beside your name on the Friendship Folder this morning or for more information call Anne Bradley (568-8514).

HIM IN THE



BREAD.

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

February 25, 2007

10:30 a.m.

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements Fred Burfoot, Worship Leader

Minute for Mission *Lenten Luncheons* Sharon Bloomquist

Chimes and Silent Meditation

As we worship you today, God, we long for your Spirit to both comfort and challenge us, to help us become more holy and more loving. In a world that does not understand repentance, we pray for new understanding, humility, patience, and discipline that will help us die to sin and live for Jesus. Amen.

Prelude *Marcato March* Kath Wissinger
Prism Handbells

*Call to Worship (*responsively*)

Let us worship God, who has done great things.

We rejoice in our God, who made a way through the desert of this world.

Let us worship God, who has caused streams of mercy to flow in the wasteland.

We are the people God has formed through Christ; we worship him, and we rejoice!

Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

We praise God for the grace that has saved us.

*Hymn *Let All Things Now Living* No. 554

*Prayer of the Day (*unison*)

Journey with us, O Holy God, as we begin our way to the cross. Sharpen our focus, that our attention may center more on you than ourselves. Lead us through the shadows of darkness and prepare our hearts that we might be ready to see and respond to your Son and our Savior, Jesus Christ. In his name we pray. Amen.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Lord, we have denied you by refusing to know you. We have betrayed you by keeping our distance. We have mocked you by pretending we are not yours. Lord, we are lost; let your forgiveness find us. Welcome us into your strong, forgiving arms and let us feel reconciled again. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon (*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 this gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Response of Praise *Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee* (St. Agnes)

*O hope of every contrite heart, O joy of all the meek,
To those who fall, how kind Thou art! How good to those who seek!*

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 *Disciples of the Son* Russell Nagy
Carol Choir

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Sermon Pastor John P. Leggett
Remembering What God Has Done...We Respond with Grateful Giving

*Hymn *As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Gave* No. 414

*An Affirmation of Faith

Christ calls us to live in the presence of God.

Jesus lived with a constant sense of his Father’s presence.

He put God’s claim on his life above all else.

He joined others in God’s worship and praise.

He drew strength from the Scriptures.

He prayed and taught his disciples to pray.

We believe Christ gives us and demands of us personal lives that are centered in God and open to God’s reality and rule.

Christ teaches us to put obedience to God above the interests of self, family, race, or nation; to offer God joyously

our money, ability, and time.

We need constantly to search out God’s way in Scripture, not expecting detailed instructions for every decision, but relying on the Word to tell us who God is, to press God’s present claim upon us, and to assure us of God’s grace and comfort.

Concerns of the Church and Prayers of the People

(The Deacon of the Day may be found on Sunday mornings before or after worship in the Gathering Area near the windows. You are invited to share any prayer concerns with him/her to be included in our congregation’s prayers.)

THIS WEEK AT MASSANUTTEN

Sunday, February 25

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Fellowship Time (Fellowship Hall)
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
11:30 a.m. Make A Difference Group (Library)
11:30 a.m. Mission Trip Meeting (Front of Sanctuary)
11:30 a.m. Lenten Luncheon (Fellowship Hall)
1:00 p.m. Korean Worship Service (Sanctuary)
3:30 p.m. Spectrum Handbell Rehearsal
5:30 p.m. Prism Handbell Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. Brass Band Concert (Sanctuary)

Monday, February 26

9:00 a.m. Disciple IV Bible Study (Gathering Area)
6:00 p.m. Massanutten Ringers Handbell Rehearsal
7:00 pm. Boy Scouts (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday, February 27

9:00 a.m. Disciple I Bible Study (Gathering Area)
6:30 p.m. Disciple I Bible Study Class (Gathering Area)

Wednesday, February 28

6:30 a.m. Men’s Prayer Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)
9:15 a.m. Crossroads Pealers Handbell Rehearsal
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting followed by lunch
10:30 a.m. Presbyterian Women Coordinating Team Meeting (Gathering Area)
4:30 p.m. Logos
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
Deadline for registration for Inquirer’s Class
Deadline for news for the March 6 newsletter

Sunday, March 4

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Fellowship Time (Fellowship Hall)
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
11:30 a.m. Lenten Luncheon (Fellowship Hall)
1:00 p.m. Korean Worship Service (Sanctuary)
3:00-7:00 p.m. Inquirer’s Class (Parlor)
3:30 p.m. Spectrum Handbell Rehearsal
5:00 p.m. Confirmation Class (Classroom 117)
5:30 p.m. Prism Handbell Rehearsal

Finance and Attendance Summary

Offering Received—Feb. 18, 2007	\$ 7,511.47
Offering Received—Year to Date	66,569.54
Weekly Expense Budget	11,652.00
Difference—Year to Date	- 14,994.46
Sunday School Attendance—Feb. 18, 2007	159
Worship Attendance—Feb. 18, 2007	395

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING DURING WORSHIP

TODAY

Greeters

J. R. and Patricia Copper
Collier and Betsy Harvey

Ushers

Bob Bales, Kevin Caldwell, Patricia Copper, Larry French, Fleming Jones, Glenn Strawderman

Deacon of the Day

Susie Diehl

Sunnyside Bus Driver

Anne Bradley

Sound Technician

Tyler Jones

Acolyte

Communion—No Acolyte

Caring for Our Youngest Members

Infants

Chris and Jennifer Bryant

2 & 3 Year Olds

Eric and Angie Baylor

Floater

Ricki Irvine

Children’s Church Leaders
Kevin and Rhonda Stees

NEXT SUNDAY

Greeters

John and Evelyn Earl
Bud and Betty Long

Ushers

Anne Bradley, Eric Phillips, Robin Reed, Bruce Rholf, Sandy Taylor

Deacon of the Day

Kevin Caldwell

Sunnyside Bus Driver

Phil Miller

Sunday School Nursery

Rebecca Arthur

Acolyte

Seth Diehl

Caring for Our Youngest Members

Infants

Betsey Branner and John Levensgood

2 & 3 Year Olds

David and Dannie Allen

Floater

Sandy Levensgood

Children’s Church Leaders
Gina Phelps and Erin White

PRAYER CONCERNS

MEMBERS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Tyler Jones, Judy Morris, Chuck Bradley, Mary Lipscomb, Sherry Gordon, Lin Harmon

FRIENDS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Richard Barth, father of Laura Atkins; **Natalie Council and Susie Good**, friends of Alana Miller; **Don Grimes**, friend of our church family; **Martha Lohr**, sister of Irene Hartman; **Garrett and Anissa McNulty**, friends of our church family; **Paul Roller**, grandfather of Susan Newsome; **Andrea Lohr**, friend of John Myers; **Tommy Abrams**, friend of the Webb family; **Raymond Shepley, Sr.**, father of Sherry Matthews; **Rev. Joe Brandon**, Pastor of Olivet Presbyterian Church, Staunton; **Richard Eye**, friend of Herman and Charlotte Landes; **Christine Foster**, wife of Rev. Kerry Foster, pastor of Mt. Carmel Presbyterian Church, Steeles Tavern; **Second floor Health Care at Sunnyside; Janice Good**, friend of the church

Please place prayer request cards (found in the seat ahead of you) in the offering plate to be included in our congregation’s prayers. Thank you for continuing to keep us informed of on going prayer needs.

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 AL)

Elizabeth “Lee” Davis, daughter of Marc and Nancy Davis (stationed in El Paso , TX)

Haywood A. Marsh, son of Tim and Lisa Cooper (stationed in Korea)

Ryan Tarman, grandson of Dee and Martha Floyd (stationed in Iraq)

Chad Ritchie, son of Robert and Ramona Ritchie (stationed in NC)

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

Jennifer Lonas, niece of Tim and Rhonda Miller

Brent Rohrbaugh, brother of Rhonda Miller (stationed in Norfolk, VA)

Jeff Pascale, friend of the Wissinger family (stationed in Iraq)

Matt Moore, cousin of Dee Floyd (stationed in Iraq)

Joe Arbogast, cousin of Dee Floyd (stationed in Iraq)

Stephanie Beard, granddaughter of Jean Beard (stationed in Germany)

WE EXTEND OUR SYMPATHY TO....

...the family of **Roger Harp**, former Executive of the Synod of the Mid-Atlantic