

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.)

Gathering of the Offering

Offertory Just A Closer Walk with Thee arr. Bruce Greer
Crossroads Pealers; Kelly Richardson, clarinet

*Doxology (Lasst uns erfreuen)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God above you heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*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 Here I Am, Lord No. 525

*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.

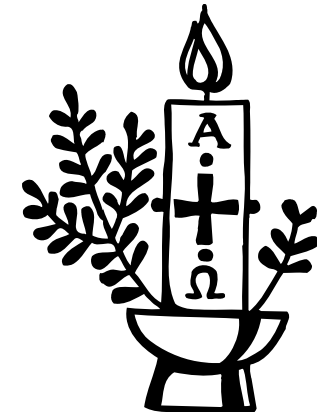
Printed copies of recent sermons are available on the table in the narthex.

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 APRIL 22

- Today's worship service lifts up the importance of mission in the ministry of the Church. We are reminded that just as Isaiah responded to God so long ago: "Here am I, send me," we too are called to be "Ready to Respond."
- This morning we will commission Carol Miller as she prepares for a Mission Trip to Southern Africa from April 25-May 10.
- The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Chris, Mari, and William Kyle by their parents.
- A new **Adult Sunday School Class, Making Ethical Decisions**, led by Collier Harvey is meeting in room 105.
- MPC is hosting its first **Blood Drive** of the year on April 26. Give the gift of life. Sign up for a time slot after today's service in the narthex.
- Please join others of the Central Valley Mission Community in a workday at **Camp Massanetta** on Sat., April 28 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Lunch will be provided.
- The **Fifth Sunday Church School Program for Adults** will be held on April 29 at 9:00 a.m. in the Gathering Area. The Rev. Lynn Litchfield, Chaplain at the Fluvanna Correctional Center for Women. All adults are invited to attend.
- **Ethiopian Church President, Qes Iteffa Gobena**, to preach at MPC on Sunday, May 6. Massanutten is honored to host Oes Iteffa for worship and a Fellowship Luncheon. Everyone is invited in welcoming Oes Iteffa, to take the opportunity to meet and talk with him prior to worship and again after worship during the luncheon. The Fellowship Committee will be providing dessert and drinks. Please bring a main dish and a salad or vegetable. Please make your reservations for lunch by Sunday, April 29 by writing "lunch" beside your name on the Friendship Folder.
- We are looking for several **volunteers** who are willing to provide transportation to Sunday worship for several residents of Loyalton Retirement Community, 2101 Deyerle Avenue, Harrisonburg. If you are interested in this outreach, please write *transportation* beside your name on the Friendship Folder or call the church office.
- It is time to sign-up for the co-ed church softball league. If you are interested write "softball" beside your name on the Friendship Folder or contact Kevin Caldwell at 434-7006.
- 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 today.
- Too often we misuse God's creation because we are not aware of it. A week at **Camp Massanetta** gives children and youth a first-hand experience of how God's goodness is expressed through the natural world. Fun-filled programs are available for k-high school graduates. Brochures are available in the narthex or contact Camp Massanetta by email at campmassanetta@yahoo.com or by phone 434-3829.



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

April 22, 2007

10:30 a.m.

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements Doris Field, Worship Leader

Chimes and Silent Meditation
Gracious God, who gathers us in and sends us out, open us to the meaning this takes throughout our lives. Help us to hold firmly to the promises of our baptisms and prepare us to reach out to world in which pain and suffering run deep. In Christ, Amen.

Prelude Adagio Mozart

*Call to Worship (responsively)
In the midst of chaos, we long for hope
Hope which sustains through uncertainty;
Hope which surrounds when events overwhelm;
Hope which transcends tragedy and moves us forward;
In the midst of chaos, God delivers hope.
Let us worship our God whose love surrounds us always.

*Hymn A Mighty Fortress Is Our God No. 260

*Prayer of the Day (unison)
God of empowerment, may you help us allow you into our heart so that we may hear your calling to enter into your Kingdom to spread the Good News through our love, our compassion, and our labor. Amen.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (unison)
Merciful Lord, we confess that though you call, we are reluctant to respond. We want to be faithful, but busy days keep us from taking the time to seek and discover what you are asking us to be and do. O God, help us to carve out space in our lives to listen; strengthen our resolve to be good stewards of our time; and move us to follow you in all we do. Through Christ, our Risen Lord we pray, Amen.

