

Commissioning of Leaders for Our CE and Music Ministries

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 *Dir, Dir, Jehova, will ich singen* Karg-Elert

*Doxology No. 592

*The 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 *Will You Come and Follow Me?* (On Insert)

*Charge and Blessing

* Postlude *All Glory Be to God on High* Leupold

(*All stand, who are able.)

Massanutten Presbyterian Church

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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 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 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 SEPTEMBER 9

- **WOW** (Worship on Wednesday) for children in grades 1-12 will begin this Wednesday. Registration forms are available on the table in the narthex. Place your completed form in the offering plate or in the box provided in the narthex today.
- **Spectrum**, Masanutten's teen handbell ensemble, is starting up a new year. Any youth interested in joining this group should call Kath Wissinger at 289-6973. Musical knowledge is helpful.
- Pastor John will be facilitating a **new church school class** for adults in their 20s, 30s, or 40s. It will be called *Connections* and the format will allow for discussion among class members. It will begin next Sunday. Please indicate your interest in the Friendship Folder during worship today.
- 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 Leggett on Sunday, September 23 from 3-7 p.m. Childcare and Dinner will be provided, so please call the church office to sign up. Thank for you participation at Massanutten!
- **Volunteer Farm of Shenandoah** needs volunteers during this harvest season. Please visit their website at www.volunteerfarm.org to see when you are needed and register for a particular day and task. You may also find directions to the farm on their website, or call 540-459-3478 for more information.
- Please be sure to send your **college student's updated mailing address**, phone number and email address to the church office (kleecy@comcast.net).
- There will be a Children's Consignment Sale and Benefit for Amaya Kinley at MPC on Saturday, Sept. 22. The hope is to help defray the medical expenses for Amaya's on going chemotherapy. Set-up will begin at 6 am and the sale will begin around 7 am and run until 4 pm. The cost will be \$10 for a space and \$15 for a table. If you are interested, flyers can be found in the Narthex with details and tips on consigning, or please call Wendy Kinley at 540-289-6749.
- The Rockingham County Association for Family and Community Education (FCE) has planned a trip to Jamestown Settlement and Historic Jamestown for Wednesday, Sept. 26, departing K-Mart parking lot at 6 am and returning about 9 pm. The cost is \$36 per person. We are using a Quick's bus with bathroom, will be making a rest stop/coffee break around Richmond on the way down, having lunch at the Jamestown Settlement (on your own) and stopping in Richmond on the way home at a cafeteria for supper. Please call Wilsene Scott at 289-5381 for more information.
- After School Music and Art Enrichment Classes will be offered by Redeemer Classical School. MPC's own Julie Staber will be teaching the classes. For more information call 828-3394..



A Service for the Lord's Day
Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
(Including the Commissioning of Leaders for 2007-2008)

September 9, 2007

10:30 a.m.

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements Carol Miller, Worship Leader

Minute for Mission Crop Walk Nancy Lu Irvine

Prelude *Draw Us to Thee* Walther

For Silent Meditation during the Opening Music

God of grace, you have given us minds to know you, hearts to love you, and voices to sing your praise. Fill us with your Spirit, that we may celebrate your glory and worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Call to Worship (*responsively*)
Sing with joy to God our strength!

Raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob!

For the Lord is our God, who has delivered us from captivity.

God has opened wide our mouths, and filled us with good things.

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

*Prayer of the Day (*unison*)

Eternal God, in your loving wisdom you set us beside the fountain of life, like a tree planted by running streams. Fill us with a love of your wisdom, that we may bear fruit in the beauty of holiness; through Christ, the way, the truth, and the life. Amen.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness (*responsively*)

This is the good news of the gospel that we celebrate together:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and made new. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Response of Praise *Alleluia! Sing to Jesus* (Hyfrydol)

*Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! His the scepter, His the throne!
Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone!
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion Thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation Hath redeemed us by His blood.*

Liturgy of the Word

Time with the Children

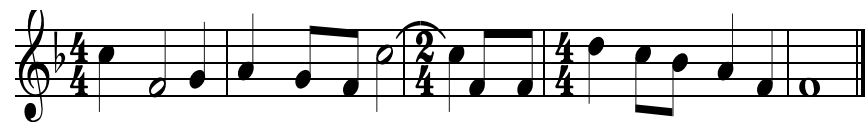
The children are invited to gather at the chancel steps. Following the Children’s Sermon, children will return to their seats in the sanctuary or follow their leaders downstairs to Children’s Church.

**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 *With Songs of Rejoicing* J. S. Bach
Chancel Choir arr. Hal Hopson

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Psalm 1



Hap-py are they who de-light, who de - light in the law of God.

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Sermon *Delighting in the Word* Pastor John Leggett

*Hymn *Break Thou the Bread of Life* No. 329

*An Affirmation of Faith (*unison*)

**Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.
Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess to the glory of God:
Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.**

This Week at MPC

Sunday, September 9

- 9:00 am Church School
- 9:00am Rock Event (Gathering Area)
- 10:00 am Fellowship Coffee (Fellowship Hall)
- 10:30 am Worship Service
- 11:30 am Nominating Committee (Library)
- 1:00 pm Worship Service for Korean Presbyterian Church
- 4:30-5:34 pm Spectrum Teen Handbell Optional Rehearsal (Bell Room)

Monday, September 10

- 9:00 am Disciple 3 Bible Study Class (Gathering Area)
- 10:00 am Food Pantry
- 10:00 am Circle #2 Highlands
- 2:00 pm Small Group (Sunnyside)

- 7:00 p.m. Sessional Ministries, Deacons Meeting, Boy Scouts

Tuesday, September 11

- 10:00 am Circle #3 (Sunnyside)
- 10:00 am Shoshana Circle with Juli Colville
- 1:30 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry (Library)
- 6:30 pm Disciple 3 Bible Study Class (Gathering Area)
- 7:00 pm Circle #5 (Library)

Wednesday, September 12

- 6:30 am Men’s Prayer Breakfast
- 9:00 am Staff Meeting
- 4:30 pm WOW
- 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Thanks to Those Serving During Worship	
Today	Next Week
Greeters Marty and Susan Diehl Collier and Betsy Harvey	Greeters Ed and Cathy Comer Mike and Ka Guinn
Ushers Bob Bales, Chris Bryant, Netta Coulter, Bud and Betty Long, Bob Milner, Dwight Newman, Curt Schwabach	Ushers Jim and Juli Colville, George Cross, William Comer, Steve and Sherry Gordon, Randy Hylton, Bruce Rohlf
Sunnyside Bus Driver Anne Bradley	Sunnyside Bus Driver Linda Green
Sunday School Nursery Betsy Harvey	Sunday School Nursery Dale and Dorothy Dobroth
Acolyte Camryn Huffman	Acolyte Kendra Strawderman
Infant Nursery Mark and Barbara Palmer	Infant Nursery Shawn and Linda Green
2 & 3 Year Olds Amy Bjorkgren and Becky Hylton	2 & 3 Year Olds Fleming and Sharon Jones
Floater Linda Myers	Floater Gina Phelps
Children’s Church Leader Alayne Leggett and Kim Phillips	Children’s Church Leader Dannie Allen and Jennifer Strawderman

Thursday, September 13

- 1:00 pm Circle #4 (Sunnyside)
- 1:30 pm Circle #1 (Gathering Area)
- 6:30 pm Disciple 1 Bible Study (Gathering Area)
- 7:00 pm Administrative Committee (Library)

STEWARDSHIP AND ATTENDANCE SUMMARY	
Offering Given Last Week	\$12,548.29
Offering Given Year to Date	\$386,560.58
Weekly Need	\$11,652.00
Difference	(\$21,259.42)
Attending Worship Last Week	271
<i>In response to the blessings of God in our lives, we give of ourselves—our time, our talents, our treasures, our hearts.</i>	

PRAYER CONCERNS

MEMBERS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Annabelle Shortell, Bill Jackson, Betty Jane Burfoot, Jean Fifer, Sherry Gordon

FRIENDS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Dave Taylor, brother of Diann Reed; **Don Grimes**, friend of our church family; **Nick Linstid**, great nephew of Chuck and Anne Bradley; **Amaya Kinley**, friend of our church family; **Logan Hill**, friend of Fleming and Sharon Jones; **Scott Dovel**, nephew of Warren and Sharon Dovel; **Sue Helems**, friend of Marge Langfitt; **Sid Schultz**, friend of Jim and Gail Oppy; **Michael Sullenger**, friend of our church family; ; **M. J. Nutty**, cousin of Tim Miller; **Jim Warner**, friend of our church family; **Galen “Eddie” Long**, father of Kim L. Showalter; **Martha Lohr**, sister of Irene Hartman; **Sue Ellen Church**; **Jack Burdge**, Butch Dutt’s nephew; **Stephen Davis**, Stephanie Toothman’s father; **Frances Lawhorne**, mother of Mary Rouse; **Jennifer Albertini**, niece of Keith and Linda Knupp; **David Rose**, nephew of Ann Wilkinson; **Scott Mandeville**, friend of John Irvine

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 Iraq)
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 FL)
Chris Jerome, son of Bob Jerome (stationed in Naples, Italy)
Brent Rohrbaugh, brother of Rhonda Miller (stationed in Norfolk, VA)
Jeff Pascale, friend of the Wissinger family (stationed in Iraq)
Joey Arbogast, cousin of Dee Floyd (stationed in Iraq)
Stephanie Beard, granddaughter of Jean Beard (stationed in Germany)
Erin Burtner, cousin of Susan Newsome (stationed in Iraq)

WE EXTEND OUR SYMPATHY TO

...the family and friends of Tim and Alana Miller, on the death of Tim’s grandmother, Catherine Hart