

Massanutten Ministry Link

A Publication of Massanutten Presbyterian Church

September 19, 2007

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

September 23, 2007

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sermon Text

2 Timothy 1:1-14

Sermon Title

Prayers Thickly Woven

Worship Leader

Men's Prayer Breakfast

Hymns

*Praise, My Soul, the King of
Heaven
O Savior, in This Quiet Place
Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

September 30, 2007

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sermon Text

1 Timothy 6:6-19

Sermon Title

Sharing in a Life of Generosity

Worship Leader

Fred Burfoot

Hymns

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Give Thanks
Take My Life
Fight the Good Fight*

Children's Consignment Sale and Benefit for Amaya Kinley

The Consignment Sale Benefit for Amaya Kinley on Sept. 22 continues to move forward. Amaya is a 5 year old child within the congregation who was diagnosed with Stage 4 Wilms Tumor Cancer last Spring. She has been undergoing treatment since that time, and the Consignment Sale will assist the family in meeting some of the medical expenses.

How can you help?

1. Reserve a table (\$15.00) or space (\$10.00) and sell your used, good and clean children's clothing and supplies. You may keep the profits, or contribute them to the Kinley Family. Consignment Tips for organizing and pricing your items are available at the church.
2. Donate your items to the Deacons, who will be hosting a table or two and contributing the profits to the family. Donations of used, good and clean items may be placed in the Fellowship Hall at Massanutten Church on the stage area through Friday, Sept. 21 - 6 p.m.
3. Bake something for the Bake Sale - also sponsored by the Deacons. Bring your donations to the church by 6 p.m. Friday, September 21st or before 7 a.m. on Saturday morning.
4. Donate some time between 7 a.m. and 12 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 22 to help as needed. An hour or two will make a tremendous difference.
5. Financial Contributions will gladly be accepted at any time. Please make your check out to Massanutten Presbyterian Church and note that it is for Amaya Kinley.

Please contact Leslie Dutt at 810-5625 (cell) or cldutt@rica.net (e-mail) to let her know of your interest in helping in one or more of these areas.

Thank you, in advance, for your help!



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. "*

Prime Timers Are Headed for the Woods

The Prime Timers will be going to Bud and Betty Long's Hunt Camp for their monthly luncheon on Monday, October 1. This has been a special event for the Prime Timers for the past several years. The Long's Hunt Camp is located in the woods at the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains and borders the edge of the Shenandoah National Park near Stanley. It is a lovely, restful spot to spend a day. Prime Timers and their friends are invited to enjoy a day in the woods, good fellowship and food. There will be a Pot Luck picnic style lunch with the Long's furnishing beverages and eating utensils. The lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m., but come anytime and enjoy the beauty of the hunt camp and the area surrounding it. Directions for the cabin are located on the table in the narthex. If you would like to carpool, meet at the church at 10:30 a.m. If you would like to spend the night at the Hunt Camp either Sunday or Monday night or both, call Betty Long at 434-0073 for details.

The next issue of *The Massanutten Ministry Link* will be mailed on Oct. 3. Please submit to the church office any material for publication in the next newsletter by 3 pm on Sept. 26.

Help Support Area Crop Walk

The first Harrisonburg CROP WALK in many years will be held this year on Sunday, Sept. 30 at 2:30 pm (please note the earlier start time). There are a number of ways that you can help. You may register in the church narthex to be one of the walkers, or you may help sponsor one of the others who will be walking.

The CROP WALK is a project of Church World Service, an international aid agency which for 60 years has helped the world through Hunger Relief, Refugee Assistance, Disaster Response, and Social and Economic Development. We support it each January with our Tools and Blanket offering. It is now in more than 80 countries. CROP WALKS are held in some 2,000 cities across the nation.

As of this writing, MPC has 12 individuals signed up to walk, plus a few others who will participate with their families. Please consider signing up as a family (strollers are welcome), a youth group, a Sunday School class or other group! And if you are unable to walk, track down a walker and support him or her with your pledge! Look for us at the CROP table in the Narthex. Let's help CROP celebrate 60 years of fighting hunger!

Serving Among Us	September 23, 2007	September 30, 2007
Greeters	Bob and Charlene Grogg Denny and Rebecca Arthur	Gary and Bonnie Moyers Jaime and Erin White
Ushers	Linda and Colin Green, Keith and Linda Knupp, Gail and Jim Oppy, Chris Preston, Jack Wysor	Bob Bales, Jim and Juli Colville, Larry French, Joe Heavner, Tim Miller, John Myers, Brian Phelps
Sunnyside Bus Driver	Randy Atkins	Tim Miller
Acolyte	Matthew Atkins	Lauren Travis
Sunday School Nursery	Marcy and Carter Williams	Sandy Taylor
Infant Nursery	Shirley Jackson and Stephanie Toothman	Juli and Marcus Sensabaugh
2 & 3 Year Old Nursery	John and Sally Brown	Eric and Kim Phillips
Floater	Betsey Branner	Laura Atkins
Children's Church Leaders	Jennifer Bryant and Rhonda Copper	Angie Baylor and Leslie Dutt

Massanetta Springs Bath House Mission Project



Through the Deacon Mission Ministry at Massanutten Presbyterian Church (MPC), planning has begun for a local mission project at Massanetta Springs Conference Center (MSCC). Some time ago, MSCC approached MPC requesting assistance rejuvenating the bath house located adjacent to their RV Park and new athletic field. The bath house recently received a new roof through an Eagle Scout project, but is in need of further significant repair and maintenance work, both interior and exterior.

The work is being planned to take place on multiple weekends during October and November 2007. Generally, the project will involve

- removing exterior siding and interior walls;
- installing additional framing, drywall, paneling, and finish trim;
- removing old and installing new doors and windows;
- completely re-wiring of electrical system and new fixtures;
- removing old and installing new plumbing, including sinks and showers.

Anyone interested in working on this project in any way, please contact Skip Wissinger (289-6973) or the church office (434-6194) for details. See anticipated work schedule below:

October

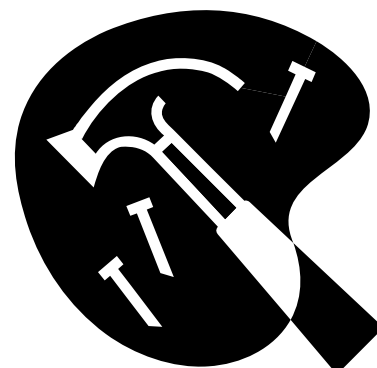
Friday, Oct. 12	Start—deconstruction, debris removal
Saturday, Oct. 13	Framing—install new doors and windows
Sunday, Oct. 14 (afternoon)	Framing—install new doors and windows
Friday, Oct. 19	Finish framing and installing new doors and windows
Saturday, Oct. 20	Rough-in Electrical Replace exterior siding Build new wings (Camp out night ???)
Sunday, Oct. 21	Morning worship on campus Final prep work for drywall installation Install Ceiling Insulation
Friday, Oct. 26	Finish Installing Insulation and begin drywall work
Saturday, Oct. 27	Finish Installing Insulation and begin drywall work
Sunday, Oct. 28 (afternoon)	Finish Installing Insulation and begin drywall work

November

Saturday, Nov. 3	Interior counters and shelves Rough-in Plumbing
Sunday, Nov. 11 (afternoon)	Interior Trim Prep exterior for painting
Saturday, Nov. 17	Painting/Staining—Interior and Exterior
Sunday, Nov. 18 (afternoon)	Open (electrical/plumbing?)

December

Saturday, Dec. 1	Interior finish work—final electrical
Sunday, Dec. 2	Punch list, finish up



STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION THROUGH SEPT. 9

Weekly Budget Need	\$11,652.00
Budget Need Year to Date	\$419,472.00
Received Year to Date	\$ 397,188.90
Difference	\$ -22,283.10

In response to the blessings of God in our lives, we give of ourselves—our time, our talents, our treasures, our hearts.

Inquirers' Class Registration

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, Sept. 23 from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. Childcare and Dinner will be provided, so please call the church office by Sept. 20 to sign up. Thanks for your participation at Massanutten!

Bring a Friend to Church Sunday to be Held Oct. 14

Have you been praying for the people that you plan to invite to attend worship at MPC on Oct. 14? Be sure to identify someone to ask, keep them in your prayers, and then invite them to join us in worship on Bring a Friend Sunday at MPC.

Communion Steward Training/Dinner

Many thanks to all of the young people who signed up to be Communion Stewards over the next several months. Please mark your calendars for Sunday, September 30th at 4:30 p.m. We will meet in the sanctuary to talk about The Lord's Supper and then gather in the fellowship hall for a light supper. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Ann.

Auction 2008: We Need You



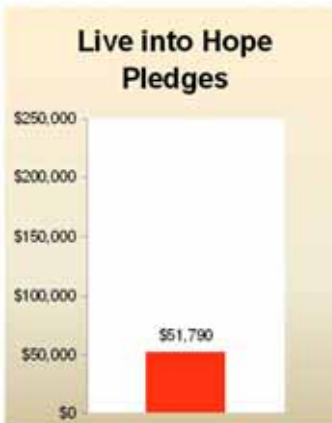
Saturday, April 12, 2008, has been set aside for the MPC Auction. But to pull this off, we need your help. Call Linda Green at 289-5735 to see what you can do.

Youth News

The **Middle High Youth** (grades 6-8) will have their Kick-Off meeting on Saturday, September 22 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. at the home of Alana Miller. This will be a time to get to know each other, play volleyball, horseshoes, or just sit around a campfire making s'mores. Please bring a snack to share and a chair or blanket to sit on. The address is 3280 Lakewood Drive. If you have questions call Alana at 433-1823.

The **Senior High Youth** (grades 9-12) will hold their Kick-Off "Sundae-Extravaganza" on Sunday, September 23 at the church. Arrive at 5:45 p.m. for dinner and the Kick-Off will be from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Come out for an evening of faith, friendship, and fun! For more information email Melissa Leecy at mleecy@comcast.net.

Middle School Rally For Shenandoah Presbytery October 7 at Massanetta Springs. The flyer and registration form are now on the Massanetta Springs website for this great fall event for 6th, 7th, and 8th graders. The theme this year is *The Gift* and is all about the amazing gift that God so freely gave to us – grace and love as shown in Jesus Christ! To register, please print the form from the web and if there are questions, contact the SPYCE Registrar Courtney at the email listed.



Live into Hope Staffing Campaign

The Session has authorized a two-year staffing campaign designed to ensure that MPC calls, equips, and sustains the necessary staff to support the ministries of our congregation. The Session has also taken the lead in the campaign, with 100% of our elders making a commitment. The goal for the two-year campaign is \$250,000.

If you have not received the informational booklet about this campaign and how you can support it, please contact the church office (434-6194). Let's meet the goal!

Director of Music Resigning

After 17 years of service as the Director of Music at MPC, Doug Sensabaugh has resigned his position, effective Oct. 15. We hope that you will take the time to express your appreciation for Doug's ministry among us. To that end, the Administrative Ministry has planned a reception in Doug's honor to be held immediately following worship on Oct. 7.

While Doug will be leaving the position of Director of Music, he will, along with Juli and Marcus, continue to remain part of the MPC community of faith. We are thankful for the growth of the music program under Doug's leadership and for the ways that he has called us to join in the music of God's reign.

Don't forget to mark your calendars to attend the reception after worship on Oct. 7.

Mission Challenge '07

*Strengthening the bonds between
PC(USA) missionaries and the church*

Next month 30 Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) missionaries will be sent out to share their stories in every corner of the United States. They will be participating in an effort to educate the church about how God is at work in the world and how we as a denomination participate in God's mission. Mission Challenge '07 is the largest event of its kind ever carried out by our Presbyterian Church – **and the Massanutten Deacons invite you to be a part of it!**

Don and Wei Hong Snow will be joining us at Massanutten on Sunday, October 28th for Sunday School and Worship. During the Sunday School hour, Don and Wei Hong (pronounced "way hone") will share about their ministry in China in the Gathering Area. The format will be similar to our Fifth Sunday Forum programs.

Since July of 2003 Don and Wei Hong have been serving in Nanjing, the capital of Jiangsu province, in eastern China. Don teaches graduate students in the English Department of Nanjing University, one of China's top universities and an institution which the Presbyterian Church had a hand in founding over a century ago. Wei Hong serves as a volunteer at the library of Jinling Theological Seminary, assisting them in computer cataloging their holdings. Don and Wei Hong also serve the PC (USA) as regional liaison staff for China.

Reflecting on our call to be 'peacemakers,' in a March 2007 letter, Don Snow describes the work of the Presbyterian Mission as follows:

"One of the emphases of PC(USA) mission work is to work toward peace and reconciliation around the world, and our long history in China (well over a century and a half) gives us a special responsibility to work for peaceful ties with that nation. While one aspect of our peacemaking work is to help re-establish peace and work toward reconciliation in situations where violent conflict has already broken out. Another important aspect is trying to head off trouble before it begins—by building fair and balanced perceptions before conflict hardens negative perceptions to the point that constructive relationships are difficult to build.

One aspect of Presbyterian peace-building in China is placing Presbyterian personnel here, giving more Chinese a chance to base their perceptions on actual Americans rather than on characters from Hollywood films or images from news broadcasts. Admittedly, the number of Chinese who will have direct contact with a Presbyterian in China is limited. Yet, most of the personnel the PC (USA) places in China are teachers working in teacher-training colleges, so we not only have direct and sustained contact with literally thousands of students, but also have indirect impact on the students who our own students will eventually teach.

A second aspect of our role here involves helping Americans to get a balanced and normal picture of China, a picture that supplements and balances impressions created by the media, which often filter out the normal and letting only the dramatic and extreme (and usually negative) come through. Given that religious freedom issues are the main points of irritation in the Sino-American relationship, it is particularly important that Americans have a balanced and accurate view of what Christian life is normally like in China. To this end, it is helpful to have Presbyterians involved with Chinese Christians and churches in a sustained and ongoing way."

October Birthdays and Anniversaries

1	Boo Taylor	17	Kaleb Strawderman
2	Clayton and Ann Jordan	18	Michael Dobroth, Alberta Dobbs
3	Mary Beth Gilbert	19	Connie Miller / George and Judith Conn
4	John Earl, Nancy Lu Irvine, Jon Guinn	20	Micah Bjorkgren, Randy Hylton / Raymond and Anne B. Sekula
5	Kendra Strawderman	21	Don Runzo, Mike Morris, Gina Phelps
6	David Lown / Tim and Annette Dofflemyer	22	Janet Fifer
7	Marilyn Spillman / Darnell and Erin Williams	23	Gillian Lees, Phillip Holbrook
8	Dick and Carol Miller	24	Alexandra Webb
9	Virginia Eckes, Mildred Bowen / Tom and Nancy Kegley	25	Leta Fitzhugh, Joan Cheston, Helene Schneider
10	Ruth Showalter, Judy Morris / Jason and Cathy Packwood	26	Tim Kincaid, Amanda Liskey, Megan Dofflemyer
11	Cole Delucas	27	Emily Reid, Marty Diehl, Tyler Jones
12	Jane Runzo, Larry French, Taylor Cosby	28	
13	Bo Hobbie, Reid Laughlin, Bonnie Moyers	29	
14	Jeannie Sutherland / Jeffrey and Emily Guinn	30	Bill Heinemann, Timothy Kincaid, Lane Comer
15	Stephen Cosby / Herman and Charlotte Landes	31	Justice Harmon
16	Warren Armentrout		

What's Needed in the Food Pantry?

Thank you for your support of the Massanutten Food Pantry. Recent months have seen a 40% increase in the number of families who need our assistance. At this time we have an adequate supply of canned corn, peas and green beans. The Food Pantry is in need of other canned foods, paper products, personal hygiene products, dish and laundry soap, and shampoos. For more information call Sharon Heinemann at 540-289-9000.

News from People Helping People

People Helping People will hold its **Annual Meeting** on Tuesday, Sept. 25 at 6 pm at the Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church's John Hall. This will be a carry-in meal with meat, drink and table service furnished. Those attending are asked to bring other food to complete the meal. We are one of the supporting members of this community organization.

Goodness is Powerful

A public lecture by The Most Rev. Desmond Tutu

Friday, September 21 at 7 pm at JMU Convocation Center

Free Admission, Doors open at 5 pm

Rev. Desmond Tutu, Anglican Archbishop Emeritus of Cape Town, South Africa and 1984 Nobel Peace Prize winner known for his work in ending apartheid.

As a Community of Priests, We Are Called to Prayer

MEMBERS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Bill Jackson, Betty Hancock, Jane Burfoot, 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; **Reiter Webb**, grandfather of Anastasia Webb; **Andy Depoy**, friend of Jim and Dawn Huffman; **Bland Hudgins**, father of Vaniene Delucas; **Paul Lee**, friend of Kevin Caldwell.

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)

WE EXTEND OUR SYMPATHY TO...

...the family and friends of **Richard and Barbara McCann** on the death of Richard's father.
...the family and friends of **Tim and Alana Miller** on the death of Tim's grandmother, **Catherine White**.

*"Prayer is at the heart of worship.
In prayer, through the Holy Spirit,
people seek after and are found by
the one true God who has been revealed in Jesus
Christ.
They listen and wait upon God,
call God by name,
remember God's gracious acts,
and offer themselves to God.
Prayer may be spoken, sung, offered in silence, or
enacted.
Prayer grows out of the center of a person's life in
response to the Spirit.
Prayer is shaped by the Word of God in Scripture
and by the life of the community of faith.
Prayer issues in commitment to join God's work in
the world."*

(From the *Directory of Worship*)

Words of Thanks

Tim and I would like to thank MPC for their support while Haywood has been in the military in Korea. He has returned and will be out of the military on October 4th. Thank you gain.

Warm regards, **Tim and Lisa Cooper**

Thank you so much for your prayers, cards, visits, and food during my recent hospital stay and recovery. Thank you so much for caring.

Annabelle Shortell

Nicolette and John Jacob Myers, IV received the sacrament of baptism during worship on Sept. 16. Remember to keep John, Nicolette, and John Jacob in your prayers.



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Sunday School—9 am (Sept.—May)
Sunday Worship—10:30 am

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Ann Pettit, Parish Associate in Member Care
Doug Sensabaugh, Director of Music
Karen Leecy, Office Manager
Tina Landes, Office Assistant
Bob Jerome, Organist
Sharon Bloomquist, Pianist

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Sunday, September 23

9:00 am Church School
10:00 am Fellowship Coffee
(Fellowship Hall)
10:30 am Worship Service
1:00 pm Worship Service for Ko-
rean Presbyterian Church
3-7 pm Inquirers' Class (Parlor)
4:30 pm Spectrum Teen Handbell
Rehearsal
5:45 pm Senior High Youth Din-
ner
6:30 pm Senior High Youth

Monday, September 24

9:00 am Disciple 3 Bible Study
(Gathering Area)
2:00 pm Small Group (Sunnyside)
7:00 pm Massanutten Ringers
7:00 pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, September 25

6:30 pm Disciple 3 Bible Study
(Gathering Area)
7:00 pm Fellowship Ministry
(Library)

Wednesday, September 26

6:30 am Men's Prayer Breakfast

9:00 am Staff Meeting
9:15 am Crossroads Pealers Re-
hearsal
10:30 am PW Coordinating Team
(Gathering Area)
4:30 pm WOW (Worship on Wed)
7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 27

6:30 pm Disciple 1 Bible Study
(Gathering Area)
7:00 pm Food Pantry

Sunday, September 30

9:00 am Church School
10:am Fellowship Coffee
(Fellowship Hall)
10:30 am Worship Service
1:00 pm Worship Service for Ko-
rean Presbyterian Church
4:30 pm Spectrum Teen Handbell
Rehearsal
4:30 pm Communion Steward
Training

Monday, October 1

9:00 am Disciple 3 Bible Study
12:30 pm Prime Timers Luncheon
(Long Family Hunt

Camp)
7:00 pm Massanutten Ringers Re-
hearsal
7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop #28
(Picnic Shelter)

Tuesday, October 2

12:00 pm Make a Difference
(Library)
6:30 pm Disciple 3 Bible Study
7 pm Property Ministry

Wednesday, October 3

6:30 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
8:30 am Volunteers Prepare News-
letter for Mailing
9:00 am Staff Meeting
9:15 am Crossroads Pealers Re-
hearsal
4:30 pm WOW
7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
(Choir Room)

Thursday, October 4

6:30 pm Disciple 1 Bible Study
(Gathering Area)
7:00 pm Family Ministry