

#### **Our mission:**

# to nurture disciples of Jesus Christ who join boldly with the Spirit's work in the world.

# A Service for the Lord's Day Easter Sunday

April 17, 2022 10:30 a.m.

## We Gather at God's Call

Introit Alleluia -G. Gabrieli

Brass Quintet Massanutten Choir

Pouring of the Water

Greeting

\*Hymn

\*Call to Worship (responsively)

Jon Alger, Worship Leader

Rejoice! There is great news! Christ is risen! Christ is risen, indeed!

Let all the earth proclaim the joy!

Let all heaven show forth in praise.

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

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"Christ the Lord is risen today!" Alleluia! All creation, join to say: Alleluia! Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing, O heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia! Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia! Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia! Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia! Where, O death, is now your sting? Alleluia! Jesus died, our souls to save, Alleluia! Where your victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Hail the Lord of earth and heaven! Alleluia! Praise to you by both be given, Alleluia! Every knee to you shall bow, Alleluia! Risen Christ, triumphant now. Alleluia! \*Call to Confession

\*Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we have heard the good news: how on the third day, Christ rose again.

Still we look for the living among the dead.

You rolled away the stone from the tomb.

Still we look for the living among the dead.

You sent messengers to proclaim the gospel.

Still we look for the living among the dead.

You were faithful to your promise: you have done wonderful things!

Still we look for the living among the dead.

(Silent confession)

Forgive us, Lord.

Teach us to trust your promise.

Teach us to believe the good news of salvation.

Christ is alive; Jesus is risen from the dead. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends: rejoice and give thanks!

Through Jesus Christ we have been forgiven and made new.

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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
has redeemed us by his blood."

### We Gather Around God's Word

Time with the Children Hannah Altman

Scripture Reading Luke 24:1-10

Sermon Pastor Ann Pettit

# We Respond to God's Word

\*Affirmation of Faith

A Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in Jesus Christ,
Fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor
and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed
and blessing the children,
healing the sick
and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts,

forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

Invitation to the Offering

Special Music

The Day of Resurrection

The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad,
The Passover of gladness, the Passover of God.

From to life eternal, from sin's dominion free,
Our Christ has brought us over with hymns of victory.

Let hearts be purged of evil that we may see aright
The Lord in rays eternal of resurrection light,
And, listening to his accents, may hear, so calm and plain,
His own "All hail!" and hearing, may raise the glad refrain.

Now let the heavens be joyful, let earth its song begin, The round world keep high triumph and all that is therein. Let all things seen and unseen, their notes of gladness blend; For Christ the Lord has risen, our joy that has no end!

All praise to God the Father, all praise the Christ the Son, All praise to God the Spirit, eternal Three in one! Let all the ransomed number fall down before the throne, And honor, power and glory ascribe to God alone.

Easter Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

#### We Are Sent to the World

\*Hymn

Thine Be The Glory v. 1&2

Thine is the glory,
risen, conquering Son;
endless is the victory
thou o'er death hast won.
Angels in bright raiment
rolled the stone away,
kept the folded grave-clothes
where thy body lay.

Refrain:

Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son; Endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won. Lo! Jesus meets us,
risen from the tomb;
lovingly he greets us,
scatters fear and gloom.
Let the church with gladness
hymns of triumph sing,
for the Lord now liveth;
death hath lost its sting. (Refrain)

\*Benediction

- Farlee

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\*Benediction Response

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life!
Life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife.
Make us more than conquerors through thy deathless love; bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above. (Refrain)

The Lord is Risen! He is Risen Indeed.

May the joy, hope and promise of Easter fill your lives each day.

#### This Week At MPC Sunday, April 17 Thursday, April 21 8:45am Prayer and Music 7:00pm Lenten Study (Zoom) 9:00an Breakfast (FH) 9:45am Easter Egg Hunt Friday, April 22 Church Office Closed 10:30am Worship No evening youth activities Saturday, April 23 8:30am Massanutten Cares Monday, April 18 10:00am Food Pantry (FH) 1:00pm Lenten Study (GA) Sunday, April 24 Adult Sunday School 7:00pm Massanutten Ringers 9:00am 7:00pm 9:15am Confirmation **Boy Scouts** 9:30am Faith Village Tuesday, April 19 Parent Fellowship 10:30am Worship Movie Matinee (FH) 2:00pm 5:00pm Wednesday, April 20 Fun with Handbells 7:30am Men's Prayer Group (FH) 6:00pm Middle and High School Youth Dinner and Meeting 1:00pm Small Group (GA) Session and Confirmand 5:45pm Evening Circle (Zoom) 6:30pm Dinner and Examination Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm

# **Massanutten Cares—2022**

Next Saturday, April 23rd: 8:30 am

In response to the resurrection, we'll gather together to serve and care for our neighbors:

A group will go to Massanetta Springs to help get ready for the upcoming season.

Teams of two will be sent out to visit and deliver homemade soup and bread.

Contact the church office if you haven't yet registered!

#### Life at Massanutten

- We welcome back members of the Brass Quintet, Susan Allen, Michael Allen, Joe Jaxon, Doug Sensabaugh, and Becky Ford and are grateful for their joyful sound!
- This morning we are receiving gifts for the **One Great Hour of Sharing** offering. This offering supports the PC(USA) in its response to disasters throughout the world. You may make your gift online or by chas or check. Please note OGHS on your check or offering envelope.
- Join us a week from today (Sunday, April 24th for a matinee viewing of Disney's Encanto at 2:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring along a blanket or lawn chair, grab some popcorn and enjoy the show and fellowship with friends.
- The Great Community (April 20th; 6:30 am—8:00 pm), an initiative of The Community Foundation of Harrisonburg and Rockingham County, is a sunrise to sunset giving day event that promotes charitable giving to support nonprofit organizations in Harrisonburg and Rockingham County. Massanutten has a covenant relationship with two of the organizations participating this year:

  Massanetta Springs and Faith in Action. Check out the full list of nonprofits to see how your generosity and passion might join in support of these or other organizations: greatcommunitygive.org.
- Support our preschool by purchasing Krispy Kreme Donuts. Funds raised will help purchase new library and storage containers for the classrooms. Stop by the table in the narthex to place your order. Donuts may be picked up on Wednesday, May 4 from 11am-4pm. If you are unable to pick up your donuts during this time, please call 434-6194 to make other arrangements.
- Gifts to support relief efforts in Ukraine and surrounding countries, continue to be received through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. You may make a gift directly to PDA at their website, or through the church by check or our online giving portal.
- MPC's COVID masking policy has shifted. Masks are now optional as long as the CDC reported COVID levels remain in the low (green) or medium (yellow) area. When the level moves to red, masks will be required inside the building. The Session and COVID Advisory group remind everyone that though masking is optional in certain conditions, our focus on caring for one another remains the foundation of how we gather. Please consider how your choice may affect others around you and respond with and eye toward kindness and welcome.
- Looking Ahead: June 11th—Book and Yard Sale on the church parking lot. Let us know if you would like to reserve a space by emailing the church office at kleecy@massanuttenchurch.org. The cost is \$15 per set up and all donations will go to children and youth programming.