



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
Pentecost Sunday

June 5, 2022

10:30 a.m.

We Gather at God's Call

Introit

Greeting

Prelude *Holy Spirit, Light our Darkness* -Robert Powell

Words for Reflection

When the Feast of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Without warning there was a sound like a strong wind, gale force—no one could tell where it came from. It filled the whole building. Then, like a wildfire, the Holy Spirit spread through their ranks, and they started speaking in a number of different languages as the Spirit prompted them.

*Call to Worship (*responsively*) Hunter Davis, Worship Leader

Listen brothers and sisters – people of God!
God is speaking through wind and voices
calling us to follow and serve.

Look, friends - people of God!
God is moving through the church and the world
showing us how to live and love.

Believe, companions on this journey - people of God!
God is working through all creation,
drawing us into the power of the spirit.
Let us worship God together!

*Hymn *On Pentecost They Gathered* 289

*On Pentecost they gathered
quite early in the day,
a band of Christ's disciples,
to worship, sing, and pray.
A mighty wind came blowing,
filled all the swirling air,
and tongues of fire aglowing
inspired each person there.*

*The people all around them
were startled and amazed
to understand their language,
as Christ the Lord they praised.
What universal message,
what great good news was here?
That Christ, once dead, is risen
to vanquish all our fear.*

*God pours the Holy Spirit
on all who would believe,
on women, men, and children
who would God's grace receive.
That Spirit knows no limit,
bestowing life and power.
The church, formed and reforming,
responds in every hour.*

*O Spirit, sent from heaven
on that day long ago,
rekindle faith among us
in all life's ebb and flow.
O give us ears to listen
and tongues aflame with praise,
so folk of every nation
glad songs of joy shall raise.*

Pouring of the Water Summer Program Participants

Time with the Children Pastor Keith Phillips

Blessing of Summer Programming Participants

Recognition of High School Seniors Nancy Davis

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*You belong to Christ,
in whom you have been baptized.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

Prayer for Pentecost (*responsively*) *adapted from a prayer by Walter Brueggemann*
O God, we name you wind, power, force, and then, imaginatively, "Third Person."
We name you and you blow...blow hard, blow cold, blow hot, blow strong, blow gentle, blow new.
Blowing the world out of nothing to abundance, blowing the church out of despair to new life, blowing our timid efforts into seeds of faithfulness, blowing to make things that never were.

So blow this day, wind. Blow here and there, power. Blow even us, force. Rush us beyond ourselves. Rush us beyond our hopes. Rush us beyond our fears, until we enact your newness in the world. Come, come spirit. Amen.

*Response 291

*Refrain: Spirit, spirit of gentleness,
blow through the wilderness, calling and free.
Spirit, spirit of restlessness,
stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.*

*You moved on the waters; you called to the deep;
then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;
and over the eons you called to each thing,
"Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings." (Refrain)*

We Gather Around God's Word

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading

Genesis 11:1-9

Sermon

Pastor Ann Pettit

We Respond to God's Word

Invitation to the Offering

Anthem

Come Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove

-Cox and Lindh

*Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove, with all your quickening powers
Kindle a flame of sacred love in these cold hearts of ours.*

*See how we trifle here below, fond of our earthly toys;
Our souls, how heavenly they go to reach eternal joys.*

*In vain we tune our formal songs, in vain we strive to rise;
Hosannas languish on our tongues, and our devotion dies.*

Come Holy Spirit.

Ordination and Installation of the Class of 2025

Jan Arnold, Ben Craig, Bill Frazier, Chris Hamilton, Julia Sensabaugh

Statement on Ordination and Installation

*The Apostles Creed (*unison*)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Constitutional Questions

Prayer of Ordination

Congregational Response

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We Are Fed at God's Table

Invitation to the Lord's Table

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

*Prayer after Communion (*unison*)

O God, having feasted at this table, on your grace, lead us away as ones who are filled: filled with new life; filled with hope; filled with the promise of your kingdom come. And by your spirit, blow us, beyond our imagination, into the Church you want us to be. Amen.

We Are Sent to the World

*Hymn

Spirit of Gentleness

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*Refrain: Spirit, spirit of gentleness,
blow through the wilderness, calling and free.
Spirit, spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness,
wind, wind on the sea.*

*You swept through the desert; you stung with the sand;
and you goaded your people with a law and a land.
When they were confounded with idols and lies,
then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes. (Refrain)*

*You sang in a stable; you cried from a hill;
then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still.
And down in the city, you called once again
when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind. (Refrain)*

*You call from tomorrow; you break ancient schemes;
from the bondage of sorrow the captives dream dreams.
Our women see visions; our men clear their eyes.
With bold new decisions your people arise. (Refrain)*

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

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Life at Massanutten

This Week At MPC

Sunday, June 5

9:30am Choir Rehearsal
 10:30am Worship
 7:30pm Bonfire for Families of Youth and Children

Monday, June 6

7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, June 7

MPC Scholarship Deadline for High School Seniors

Wednesday, June 8

10:30 am Staff Meeting (GA)
 7:30am Men's Prayer Group (GA)

Thursday, June 9

7:00pm Food Pantry

Friday, June 10

Church Office Closed

Saturday, June 11

7:00 am Yard Sale (Parking Lot)
 Book Sale (FH)
 Picnic Shelter in use 3pm—10pm
Church Office Closed

Sunday, June 12

9:00am Choir Rehearsal
 10:30am Worship

- **Today is Pentecost!** During the service we will share the Lord's Supper, bless our summer program youth and adult participants, ordain and install officers and celebrate our High School seniors. We will also receive the Pentecost Offering. This offering unites us in a church-wide effort to support young people and inspire them to share faith, ideas and unique gifts with the church and the world. 40% of gifts received remain at Massanutten to make an impact in the lives of young people within our community. The remaining 60% is used to support children-at-risk, youth, and young adults through ministries of the Presbyterian Mission Agency.
- **Thank you!** Even as we welcome the class of 2025 to service, we give thanks for the leadership of the following elders who have served faithfully through these interesting years of transition and pandemic: Hunter Davis (Worship), Larry French (Community Life), Besty Hay (Administration), Linda Knupp (Administration), and Gus Scheidt (Mission and Service).
- **The Massanutten Brass Band** will hold a Free Live Concert this evening at 6pm on the lawn area next to the JMU Music building. Free parking is available in the Warsaw or the Mason Street Parking Decks. Come bring a picnic meal, blanket and chairs and prepare to enjoy a program of music for brass. In the event of rain, the concert will be moved to next Sunday June 11th.
- **High School seniors...**please note the deadline for submitting applications for college scholarships is this Tuesday, June 7th. Contact the church office if you need assistance.
- **Looking ahead: It's PICNIC season!** This year's picnic will be held following worship on Sunday, July 17th in the picnic shelter. The picnic will feature *Newman's famous BBQ Chicken*—and delicious sides you bring to share!.
- **COVID information:** Masking is 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.*

Serving June 5

Greeters:

Tom and Gina Holden

Ushers:

Ron and Janet Morris

Water Pourer:

Summer Program Participants

Faith Village:

Faith Village will resume in the Fall

Godly Play:

Godly Play will resume in the Fall

Middle School Youth:

Youth and Family Bonfire

High School Youth:

Youth and Family Bonfire

Serving June 12

Greeters:

TBD

Ushers:

Dale and Dorothy Dobroth

Water Pourer:

TBD

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*Make a Joyful Noise -
Sing through the Summer!*

The Chancel Choir will rehearse on Sunday mornings
from 9-10 am throughout the summer.

You are invited to take part in the good fellowship and fun spirit of this
group! Each rehearsal will include music for that morning along
with a look at what's ahead.

Come and share the joyful gift of your voice
with the worshipping community at MPC.

Children and Youth Corner

Sunday, June 5

10:30am Worship
7:30pm Family End of the Year Bonfire

*While the educational year programming has ended until the fall, there are
opportunities ahead for us to remember in prayer, and or support in other ways:*

Massanetta Middle School Conference: June 21-24

Our middle school youth have been attending—and LOVING— this conference
for a number of years. This year's theme is *Blessed Be*; participants will explore
what Jesus has to say in Matthew 5:1-11 through Bible study, recreation, art, music
and the gift of fellowship and relationship building. Thanks for your help in
sending our youth to Massanetta in June!

Youth Mission Trip: July 19-22

O.U.R. – Outreach, Understanding, Rejoicing – Hearts is a short-term mission
experience for churches and youth groups. Groups are housed in the Craigsville
Presbyterian Church, which has full shower facilities. Throughout the week our
youth and adult chaperones will:

- ◆ Prepare for their visit through a study of the culture of generational poverty
and food insecurities
- ◆ Participate in and help lead in creative worship and devotion experiences
during the week
- ◆ Plan and complete service work needed in the community
- ◆ Use the food pantry to understand how it supports those who need the extra
support to alleviate hunger

This is the first year Massanutten has sent an overnight group to this mission
opportunity—and it's not too late for youth to sign-up. Contact Hannah if you'd
like more information!

*Seeking to nurture and empower our children and youth
to live and serve in the world as loving disciples of Jesus Christ.*