



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
Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

November 6, 2022

10:30 a.m.

We Gather at God's Call

Introit

Greeting

Pouring of the Water

Prelude *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* -Wood

*Call to Worship (*responsively*) Nancy Davis, Worship Leader
Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised.
**For the Lord is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**
Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised.
Let us worship God with all we are.

*Hymn *Praise the Lord God's Glories Show* 33

*Praise the Lord! God's glories show, Alleluia!
saints within God's courts below, Alleluia!
angels round the throne above, Alleluia!
all who see and share God's love. Alleluia!*

*Earth to heaven exalt the strain, Alleluia!
Send it, heaven, to earth again, Alleluia!
Age to age, God's mercies trace, Alleluia!
Praise God's providence and grace! Alleluia!*

*Strings and voices, hands and hearts, Alleluia!
in the concert, bear your parts, Alleluia!
All that breathes, your Lord adore, Alleluia!
singing praise forevermore, Alleluia!*

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**Holy God we come before you a broken people in a broken world.
Again and again we ignore your presence and your call.
We go our own way
without paying attention to where you may want us to go.
We settle for things the way they are
instead of striving for your more excellent way.
We cry out for help when we are desperate
not noticing your good and mighty acts through all times.
Forgive us, Lord.
Open our hearts that we would see you, hear you
and follow you more faithfully, through Jesus we pray, Amen.**

*Assurance of Forgiveness

God hears our prayers and covers us with grace. Friends in Christ,
believe what is true about you and me and all God's children:
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

*Response of Praise *All Creatures of Our God and King* 15

*All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice and with us sing,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
O brother sun with golden beam,
O sister moon with silver gleam,
sing praises! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

We Gather Around God's Word

Time with the Children Pastor Keith Phillips

Scripture Reading Psalm 145

Sermon Pastor Ann Pettit

We Respond to God's Word

*Affirmation of Faith

From A Declaration of Faith

**God created all the worlds that are
and upholds and rules everything.
We affirm that the universe exists
by the power of God's Word and Spirit.
God has chosen to give it reality
out of the love we have come to know in Christ.
God still works through the processes that shape and change the earth
and the living things upon it.
We acknowledge God's care and control
in the regularity of the universe
as well as in apparently random happenings.
There is no event from which God is absent
and his ultimate purpose in all events is just and loving.
That purpose embraces our choices
and will surely be accomplished.
The Creator works in all things
toward the new creation that is promised in Christ.**

Sharing Our Faith

Scheidt Family

*Response

We Lift Our Voices

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***We lift our voices; we lift our hands;
we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.***

***Lord, use our voices;
Lord, use our hands;
Lord, use our lives; they are yours:
we are an offering; we are an offering.***

Invitation to the Offering

Special Music

Sing and Shout

Taylor, Harlan

*Sing and shout to the Lord, all ye people!
Praise is what He demands of us!
Praise the Lord with glad songs of thanksgiving,
Worship and honor to Him belong, Praise Him with glad songs!
O worship the Lord, sing praise to His holy name.*

O magnify the Lord, sing praises in His Holy name.

Let us worship! Let us honor!

Let all of creation their glad voices raise!

Praise the Lord with a song!

Concerns of the Congregation & Prayers of the People

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.

We Are Sent to the World

*Hymn

God of the Sparrow

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God of the sparrow

God of the whale

God of the swirling stars

How does the creature say Awe

How does the creature say Praise

God of the earthquake

God of the storm

God of the trumpet blast

How does the creature cry Woe

How does the creature cry Save

God of the rainbow

God of the cross

God of the empty grave

How does the creature say Grace

How does the creature say Thanks

God of the hungry

God of the sick

God of the prodigal

How does the creature say Care

How does the creature say Life

*God of the neighbor
 God of the foe
 God of the pruning hook
 How does the creature say Love
 How does the creature say Peace*

*God of the ages
 God near at hand
 God of the loving heart
 How do your children say Joy
 How do your children say Home*

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

O God, You Are My God

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*O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you.
 O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you.
 I will seek you in the morning,
 and I will learn to walk in your ways.
 And step by step you'll lead me,
 and I will follow you all of my days.*

This Week At MPC

Sunday, Nov. 6

9:00am Adult Sunday School
 9:30am High School Breakfast
 Faith Village
 Parent Fellowship
 10:00am Coffee Fellowship
 10:30am Worship
 Godly Play
 5:00pm Fun with Handbells
 6:00pm Youth Dinner & Fellowship

Monday, Nov. 7 Church Office Closed

10:00am Food Pantry
 3:00pm Fellowship Hall in use
 until 7:30pm tomorrow
 7:00pm Massanutten Ringers

Tuesday, Nov. 8

6:30am Election (FH until 7:00pm)
 10:30am Morning Circle (117)
 6:00pm Nurture & Discipleship
 Commission
 7:15pm Choir Room in use

Wednesday, Nov. 9

7:30am Men's Prayer Group (FH)
 10:00am Bethel Circle (SS)
 10:30am Staff Meeting (FH)
 4:00pm Evening Circle (FH)
 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, Nov. 10

7:00pm Food Pantry

Friday, Nov. 11 Church Office Closed

Saturday, Nov. 12 Church Office Closed

12:00-5:00pm Fellowship Hall in use/
 Kaltenborn Family

Sunday, Nov. 13

9:00am Adult Sunday School
 9:30am High School Breakfast
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 5:00pm Fun with Handbells
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Serving November 6

Door Monitor: Robin Reed

Greeters: Frank & Jean Gearing

Ushers and Water Pourers:
 Lewis, Emily & Jacob Burkholder

Nursery: Diann Reed & Sally Brown

Faith Village:
 Jennifer Coffelt & Jean Kilby

Godly Play: Jack & Sarah Rimer

High School Breakfast: Diann Reed

Middle School Youth: Sarah Rimer

High School Youth: Gus Scheidt

Serving November 13

Door Monitor: Barbara Palmer

Greeters: TBD

Ushers and Water Pourers:
 Denny & Rebecca Arthur

Nursery: Emily Burkholder & Sharon Lam

Faith Village:
 Jennifer Coffelt & Jean Kilby

Godly Play: Angela Kaltenborn

High School Breakfast: Diann Reed

Middle School Youth:
 Sarah Rimer & Karen Mast

High School Youth: Gus Scheidt

Life at Massanutten

- **Commitment Sunday is Next Sunday!** We hope that everyone in our MPC family has recently received a letter or email from our stewardship committee about how we all can take the next step in our discipleship this Fall. Enclosed were commitment forms. One is a financial commitment card that may be familiar to you. This is where you can share your household's anticipated total financial giving for 2023. The other forms are time and talent commitment forms, where we are encouraging every person of all ages to consider the ways they can share their gifts of time and talents at MPC. We invite you to fill these out and bring them with you to worship next Sunday, November 13th. There, we will dedicate these commitments for next year to the glory of God as we seek to nourish disciples of Jesus Christ who are sent to join boldly with the Spirit's work in the world. Additional forms will be available in the Narthex near the church office, or you can fill out the forms online at massanuttenchurch.org.
- **The Congregational Nominating Committee** has started its work seeking Ruling Elder Nominees for the class of 2025. This year's Nominating Committee includes Janina Peachey (chair), Chris Hamilton, Sally Brown, Jean Gearing, Gina Holden, & Dave Reser. The committee invites your thoughtful recommendations to help them as they discern the congregation's needs & the gifts of those who will be invited to serve. To share a name, please complete a nomination form which can be found at the church on Sunday mornings.
- **Santa Sack Collection** The Presbyterian Women are collecting the following items for Santa Sacks for the Salvation Army.: Shampoo/conditioner, toothpaste/toothbrushes, hairbrushes, combs, hand lotion, bar soap, hand sanitizers, wash cloths, kitchen towels, hot mats, tissues (small packs), popcorn, snack crackers, hot chocolate (no glass or pump containers). Place your donations in the box in the narthex by December 1st.
- **Christmas Dinner and Music**—Saturday, December 3rd at Massanetta Springs. A delicious dinner will be followed by music from JMU's ReScored—a lower-voice a cappella group. Make a reservation by contacting Massanetta!
- **Service and Sabbath hosted by Massanetta Springs next week: November 11th —13th.** This opportunity may be enjoyed in whole (arrive Friday, leave Sunday) or part (arrive Saturday morning and spend the day). For details, pick up an information sheet on the table near the office windows or go to www.massanettasprings.org.
- **Presbyterian Women Circles** meet for Bible Study and prayer each 2nd Tuesday morning at 10:00 am (Fellowship Hall); 2nd Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 pm (Bethel Room in Sunnyside Assisted Living Area); and 2nd Wednesday evening at 4:00 pm (Fellowship Hall). To learn more, contact the church office
- **Safety Corner**—See something? Say Something? Share your concern with an usher, door monitor, or safety team member.

Following Worship on Celebration Sunday

Next Week, November 13

A Gathering of Gratitude for God's Generosity

Please plan to gather in the Fellowship Hall where there will be a light lunch and hands-on outreach activities including:

Stuffing Care Bags and Creating Hospitality Gifts

for Open Doors guests staying at Massanetta

In addition, a team of 6-8 people is needed for an off-site service project assisting a member of the church at her home. To help plan for the project, contact the church office by Wednesday this week. Volunteers will have time to eat lunch prior to heading out.

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



On January 1, 2021 the balance on our mortgage was \$1,071,111. As of October 21, 2022, our loan balance was \$366,850 - a decrease of **\$704,261** in the last 23 months.

Since the Debt Elimination Campaign began in October 2021, \$583,915 has been paid on the mortgage as a result of budgeted mortgage payments, additional giving to reduce debt through the year, & gifts made toward campaign commitments. **To God be the Glory!**