



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

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A Service for the Lord's Day  
*Second Sunday after Epiphany*

January 15, 2023

10:30 a.m.

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### We Gather at God's Call

Introit *Come, All You People*

Greeting

Pouring of the Water

Prelude *Prelude on Kingsfold (hymn 757)* -Lasky

\*Call to Worship (*responsively*) Nancy Davis, Worship Leader

This is the day the Lord has made!

**A day to gather with thanks and praise.**

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**A day to honor our God in spirit and in truth.**

This is the day the Lord has made!

**We will rejoice and be glad in it!**

\*Hymn *Come, All You People* 388

*Come all you people,  
come and praise your Maker;  
come all you people,  
come and praise your Maker;  
come all you people,  
come and praise your Maker;  
come now and worship the Lord.*

\*Call to Confession

\*Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

God of abundant mercy,  
you embodied love for us  
in the life of Jesus Christ.

You ate with sinners and shared with outcasts.

You loved with boldness and healed with grace.

Forgive us, O God,

when we do not trust your love:

when we doubt whether we are worthy of your care.

Forgive us, O God,

when we try to cheapen love:

when we limit it to shallow feelings instead of bold actions.

Help us, O God,

when we cannot feel your love,

when we are isolated, afraid, and unable to see your presence.

Forgive us, O God,

of the ways we fall short.

Free us to try again,

and let your love lead the way. Amen.

\*Assurance of Forgiveness (*responsively*)

Friends, hear the good news of the gospel: Jesus came into the world so that we would know God's love in a new way.

**With Jesus we live in the certainty of grace and mercy—we have been forgiven.**

\*Response of Praise

*My Hope Is Built*

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*My hope is built on nothing less  
than Jesus' blood and righteousness;  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,  
but wholly lean on Jesus' name.*

*Refrain:*

*On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;  
all other ground is sinking sand;  
all other ground is sinking sand.*

## **We Gather Around God's Word**

Time with the Children

Jean Gearing

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

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

*Abide with Me*

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

*Today we all are Called to be Disciples*

757

*Today we all are called to be  
disciples of the Lord,  
to help to set the captive free,  
make plowshare out of sword,  
to feed the hungry, quench their thirst,  
make love and peace our fast,  
to serve the poor and homeless first,  
our ease and comfort last.*

*God made the world and at its birth  
ordained our human race  
to live as stewards of the earth,  
responding to God's grace.  
But we are vain and sadly proud;  
we sow not peace but strife.  
Our discord spreads a deadly cloud  
that threatens all of life.*

*Pray justice may come rolling down  
as in a mighty stream,  
with righteousness in field and town  
to cleanse us and redeem.  
For God is longing to restore  
an earth where conflicts cease,  
a world that was created for  
a harmony of peace.*

\*Benediction

\*Benediction Response

*May we in service to our God  
act out the living word,  
and walk the road the saints have trod  
till all have seen and heard.  
As stewards of the earth may we  
give thanks in one accord  
to God who calls us all to be  
disciples of the Lord.*

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## Life at Massanutten

- **Welcome Salisbury Presbyterian Church Youth and Adult Leaders!** Our friends from Midlothian, VA, are in town over the weekend for a fun youth trip. In addition to joining us in worship, they will also join our youth activities this evening.
- **Open Doors will be hosted here at MPC February 6th—13th.** There are many ways we can assist with this ministry—both in advance and the week of hosting. Julia Sensabaugh will be available in the Narthex after worship to answer your questions and help you get connected. There will also be information in the weekly Blessings email. *Open Doors is a low-barrier shelter that rotates weekly to different locations.*
- **A new season for Adult Sunday school** has begun—and can be joined any Sunday at 9 am: *Faithful Conversations is considering “God’s Call and Its Responsibilities.” The class meets downstairs in Room 119.*  
  
*The Covenant Class is moving through a seven-week study called “Parables: Stories for Life in God’s Word.” The class meets downstairs in Room 117.*
- **Do you enjoy singing?** The Chancel Choir rehearses on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm and welcomes you to join them any week.
- **Presbyterian Women Circles** meet each month for Bible Study and prayer 2nd Tuesday mornings at 10:00 am (Fellowship Hall); 2nd Wednesday afternoons at 2:00 pm (Bethel Room in Sunnyside Assisted Living Area); and 2nd Wednesday afternoons at 4:00 pm (Zoom or Fellowship Hall). To learn more, contact the church office.
- **Valley Treble Voices** formed last fall and brings together women from around the area to sing and share music together. They rehearse on Tuesdays at 7:00 pm here at Massanutten in the choir room—you are welcome to come and sing with them.
- **Inclement Weather Policy for MPC**—In case of inclement weather, check church closings on WHSV (Harrisonburg television station) or [massanuttenchurch.org](http://massanuttenchurch.org).
- **Safety Message**—Greet visitors warmly! Personal contact means a lot to a new face.



**Bold Faith + Extravagant Generosity  
= Changing Lives**

On January 1, 2021, the balance on our mortgage was \$1,071,111. As of December 23, 2022, our balance was \$259,253 - a decrease of **\$811,858** in the last 24 months.

Since the Debt Elimination Campaign began in October 2021, \$691,512 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!**



## MPC SUMMER YOUTH TRIP SIGNUPS DUE JANUARY 30TH

This summer, there are three wonderful opportunities for our middle and high school youth to exercise and grow in their faith:

- The Montreat High School Conference - June 11-17
- The Massanetta Springs Middle School Conference - June 27-30
- The Youth Mission Trip (completed grade 7-12) to Raleigh, NC - July 16-21

In order to make our plans, we need to know who is attending which trip(s) no later than January 30th. An email went out to youth families Jan. 10. Please see Pastor Keith for details.

## Children and Youth

### Sunday, January 15

9:30am Faith Village  
Parent Fellowship  
10:30am Worship  
Godly Play  
5:00pm Fun with Handbells  
6:00pm Youth Dinner and Fellowship

### Sunday, January 22

9:30am Faith Village  
HS Breakfast  
Parent Fellowship  
10:30am Worship  
Godly Play  
4:00pm Youth Ice-Skating and Dinner

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

## This Week At MPC

### Sunday, Jan. 15

9:00am Adult Sunday School  
9:30am Faith Village  
Parent Fellowship  
10:30am Worship  
Godly Play  
5:00pm Fun with Handbells  
6:00pm Youth Group

### Monday, Jan 16 Church Office Closed

6:00pm Boy Scouts  
7:00pm Massanutten Ringers

### Tuesday, Jan. 17

10:00am PW Coordinating Team (L)  
7:00pm Treble Choir Rehearsal  
(Choir Room)

### Wednesday, Jan. 18

7:30am Men's Prayer Group (FH)  
7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, Jan. 19

**Friday, Jan. 20 Church Office Closed**  
*Parking Lot work*

### Saturday, Jan. 21

*Church Office Closed*

### Sunday, Jan. 22

9:00am Adult Sunday School  
9:30am High School Breakfast  
Faith Village  
Parent Fellowship  
10:30am Worship  
4:00pm Youth Ice Skating (B'water)  
6:30pm Session

## Serving January 15

**Door Monitor:** Robin Reed

**Greeters:** Keith & Linda Knupp

**Ushers and Water Pourers:**  
Harvey & Karen Mast

**Nursery:** Katie Rodgers & Katie Gray

**Faith Village:** Jennifer Coffelt & Pam French

**Godly Play:** Jack & Sarah Rimer

**Middle School Youth:** Sarah Rimer &  
Karen Mast

**High School Youth:** Ross French &  
Sarah Strickler

## Serving January 22

**Door Monitor:** TBD

**Greeters:** Helen, Whitney, Carley &  
George Scully

**Ushers and Water Pourers:**  
Fred Good & Cheryl Henderson

**Nursery:** Katie Rodgers & Erin Basgier

**Faith Village:** Jennifer Coffelt &  
Barbara Palmer

**Godly Play:** Nancy Wayland &  
Angela Kaltenborn

**High School Breakfast:** Diann Reed

**Youth (MS & HS):** Sarah Rimer &  
Chris Hamilton