



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
Transfiguration Sunday

February 19, 2023

10:30 a.m.

We Gather at God's Call

Introit *Jesus, Light of Joy*

Greeting

Pouring of the Water

Prelude *To God Be the Glory* -Burkhardt

*Call to Worship (*responsively*) Kathy Frakes, Worship Leader
The day has dawned,
the morning star rises in our hearts.
We witness the glory of Christ!
God speaks to us in cloud and flame,
in mysterious words and dazzling visions.
We witness the glory of Christ!
The Lord loves justice and equity,
and is exalted over all the people.
We witness the glory of Christ!
Praise the Lord!

*Hymn *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* 12
*Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.*

*Unresting, unchanging, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might:
thy justice, like mountains high soaring above;
thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.*

*To all, life thou givest, to both great and small.
In all life thou livest, the true life of all.
We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree,
then wither and perish; but naught changeth thee.*

*Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light.
Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight.
All praise we would render; O help us to see
'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!*

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**Magnificent God,
we cannot stand before the glory of your presence.
You shine the divine light,
and we are overwhelmed by your goodness.**

**Lift us in your mercy,
release us from our fear,
and fill us with your Spirit,
that we might reflect your light
and share your love,
for the sake of Jesus, our Savior. Amen.**

*Assurance of Forgiveness (*responsively*)

Children of God, hear the good news:
We are forgiven, again and again, by this glorious God.
What a wonder! Alleluia!

*Response

We Are Forgiven

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*We are forgiven. We are forgiven.
Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.
We are forgiven. We are forgiven.
Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.*

We Gather Around God's Word

Time with the Children

Pastor Ann Pettit

Scripture Reading

Exodus 24:12-18; Matthew 17:1-9

Sermon

Pastor Keith Phillips

We Respond to God's Word

*Affirmation of Faith

A Brief Statement of Faith (11.3)

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.

**In sovereign love God created the world good
and makes everyone equally in God's image,
male and female, of every race and people,
to live as one community.**

**But we rebel against God;
we hide from our Creator.**

**Ignoring God's commandments,
we violate the image of God in others and in ourselves,
accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature,
and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care.
We deserve God's condemnation.**

Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.

**In everlasting love,
the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people
to bless all families of the earth.**

**Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel
from the house of bondage.**

Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.

**Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,
like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home,
God is faithful still.**

Invitation to the Offering

Special Music

The Lord Is My Salvation

-iJames

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

Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud

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*Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud,
Fortress, Fountain, Shelter, Light,
Judge, Defender, Mercy, Might,
Life whose life all life endowed:*

REFRAIN:

*May the church at prayer recall
that no single holy name
but the truth behind them all
is the God whom we proclaim.*

*Word and Wisdom, Root and Vine,
Shepherd, Savior, Servant, Lamb,
Well and Water, Bread and Wine,
Way who leads us to I am: (REFRAIN)*

*Storm and Stillness, Breath and Dove,
Thunder, Tempest, Whirlwind, Fire,
Comfort, Counselor, Presence, Love,
Energies that never tire: (REFRAIN)*

*Benediction

*Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
Your love fills our hearts and your goodness our lives.
You speak and we listen, your call leads us on
To faithfully walk in the ways of your Son.*

Life at Massanutten

- **There will be an Ash Wednesday service at 6:00 pm** this week which will include the imposition of ashes. Pastors Ann and Keith will also be offering “Ashes to Go” between 7:00—8:30 am that morning under the awning near the main entrance. For those unable to attend in person, the service will be livestreamed; you may pick up a container of ashes in the entry way on Tuesday evening.
- **Lenten Studies will be offered throughout the next 6 weeks:**
 - Thursdays at 11:00 am (church) and 7 pm (Zoom) Pastors Keith and Ann will lead groups that will follow our Lenten theme: ‘*Seeking: Honest Questions for Deeper Faith*,’ beginning this Thursday, February 23rd. Contact the Church office to let us know of your interest and to receive study materials.
 - Each Sunday at 9:00 am the Sunday school classes will be using ‘*An Acceptable Fast*’ to move through the season, beginning next Sunday, February 26th.
- Last week the **Souper Bowl of Caring** collected nearly 140 lbs. of food for our Food Pantry and \$375 for our Blessings in a Bag program. It’s hard to determine a “winning” team, as the Chiefs had 45 lbs. more food for the Food Pantry, while the Eagles had \$70 more for Blessings in a Bag. What we do know is this—hunger was not the victor. Thank you for your contribution to the Super Bowl of Caring!
- **The Baja Mexico Mission Trip** is scheduled for **July 8 - 16**. Our first meeting and reunion dinner is scheduled for **Sunday, February 26 at 1:00 PM** at Olivet Presbyterian Church. Call Rhonda Richie for details 540-290-3404.
- **An American Red Cross CPR and AED Hybrid** class is being held in March. The class will have an online independent component which must be successfully completed before the in-person component. The in-person/ hands-on portion will be offered at the church on Saturday, March 18 from 8:30 am to noon. There is no charge, but registration with an email address is required. Please contact the church office to reserve a spot.
- **Valley Interfaith Action: Refounding** —Mark your calendars for March 21st at 6:00 pm at Bridgewater Church of the Brethren. We are striving to have 30 people from MPC present at this event in which we will celebrate what is happening in the valley through our work together as Valley Interfaith Action (formerly, Faith in Action). If you need help with transportation, please contact the church office.
- **Inclement Weather Policy for MPC**—In case of inclement weather, check church closings on WHSV (Harrisonburg television station) or massanuttenchurch.org.
- **Safety Message:** See something—Say something. Spills, uneven surfaces, loose fittings and safety hazards: report these to the church office immediately.

Massanutten Presbyterian Church Session and Staff

Class of 2023	Class of 2024	Class of 2025
Melissa Caldwell	Ka Guinn	Jan Arnold
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This Week At MPC		6:00pm	Ash Wednesday Service (S)
		7:00pm	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, Feb. 19			
9:00am	Adult Sunday School	Thursday, Feb. 23	
	High School Breakfast	11:00am	Lenten Study (GA)
9:30am	Faith Village	7:00pm	Lenten Study (Zoom)
	Parent Fellowship	Friday, Feb. 24 Church Office Closed	
10:30am	Worship	Saturday, Feb. 25 Church Office Closed	
	Godly Play	Fellowship Hall in use until	
6:00pm	Youth Dinner & Fellowship	2pm Sunday	
6:30pm	Session Meeting	Sunday, Feb. 26	
	<i>Fun with Handbells will not meet</i>	9:00am	Adult Sunday School
Monday, Feb. 20 Church Office Closed			
7:00pm	Massanutten Ringers	9:30am	Faith Village
	Boy Scouts		Parent Fellowship
Tuesday, Feb. 21			
7:00pm	Safety Meeting (FH)	10:30am	<i>No High School Breakfast</i>
	Treble Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)		Worship
			Godly Play
			Annual Meeting following Worship
			Youth Silent Auction following Annual Meeting
Wednesday, Feb. 22—Ash Wednesday			
7:00am	Ashes-to-Go (Parking Lot)	5:00pm	Fun with Handbells
7:30am	Men's Prayer Group (FH)	6:00pm	Youth Dinner & Fellowship

Serving February 19	Serving February 26
Door Monitor: Dick & Karen Leecy	Door Monitor: Barbara Palmer
Greeters: Anita Brechtel & Helen Groves	Greeters: HS & MS Youth
Ushers and Water Pourers: Chris & Phyllis Hailton	Ushers and Water Pourers: HS & MS Youth
Nursery: Katie Rodgers & Erin Basgier	Nursery: Katie Rodgers
Faith Village: Jennifer Coffelt & Sally Brown	Faith Village: Jennifer Coffelt & Sally Brown
Godly Play: Nancy Wayland	Godly Play: Angela Kaltenborn
HS Breakfast: Robin & Diann Reed	<i>No HS Breakfast today</i>
MS Youth: Hannah Altman & Chris Hamilton	MS Youth: Sarah Rimer and Mark Palmer
HS Youth: Keith Phillips & Dale Dobroth	HS Youth: Gus Scheidt & Hannah Altman

**The Annual Meeting
of the Congregation and Corporation
will be held in the sanctuary Sunday, February 26, 2023
During and Following 10:30 am worship**

Throughout the service and meeting we will:
*celebrate our 2022 ministry,
act on the report of the congregation's nominating committee,
review the approved 2023 ministry budget,
and vote on the co-pastors' terms of call.*

A packet including: agenda, reports, and the proposed 2023 terms of call for the co-pastors is now available in the Narthex and will be distributed electronically in future weekly emails.

An opportunity for discussion on the content of the packet and ministry of the congregation will be held following worship in the Sanctuary today.

A zoom link for both the meeting and the discussion session will be provided to assist those who need to attend remotely.

And...following the meeting on February 26th, everyone's invited to a time of fellowship, food and fun at the Youth Silent Auction in the Fellowship Hall.

Children and Youth

<u>Sunday, February 19</u>		<u>Sunday, February 26</u>	
9:30am	HS Breakfast	9:30am	Faith Village
	Faith Village		Parent Fellowship
	Parent Fellowship		<i>No HS Breakfast today</i>
10:30am	Worship	10:30am	Worship
	Godly Play		Godly Play
6:00pm	Youth Dinner & Fellowship		Silent Auction following Worship
	<i>Fun with Handbells will not meet</i>	5:00 pm	Fun with Handbells
		6:00pm	Youth Dinner & Fellowship

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