

The Breaking of the Bread and the Pouring of the Cup

***Communion of the People**

(We welcome all who come in the name of Christ to feast at God's Table. Please move toward the center of the church and then to the station serving your section. Servers will offer you a piece of bread—please cup your hands to receive it and move to the next server to take a cup from the tray. After you receive the elements, please return to your seat to eat the bread and drink the cup. You may leave your cups in the chair racks or dispose of them as you leave the sanctuary. For those who would be helped by a gluten free bread, please come to the center aisle and receive the element from the server in the middle.)

Prayer ribbons on the communion table made by the youth remind and affirm that you are a beloved child of God, created with deep love and care.

Prayer After Communion (unison)

**God of love, as you have blessed this meal, bless our work and words
so that we extend your love by what we do,
what we say and who we are. Amen.**

We Are Sent to the World

*Hymn *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me* 700

*Benediction and Passing of the Peace continued

*Postlude *Masterpiece* Destiny Worship

YOUTH SUNDAY TEAM

The following youth, adult youth leaders, and staff contributed their gifts, talents, time, thoughtfulness, and hearts to this year's Youth Sunday. All liturgy (except for parts of Communion) was written and envisioned by our youth. All parts of the message were created by our youth and music was selected by our youth.

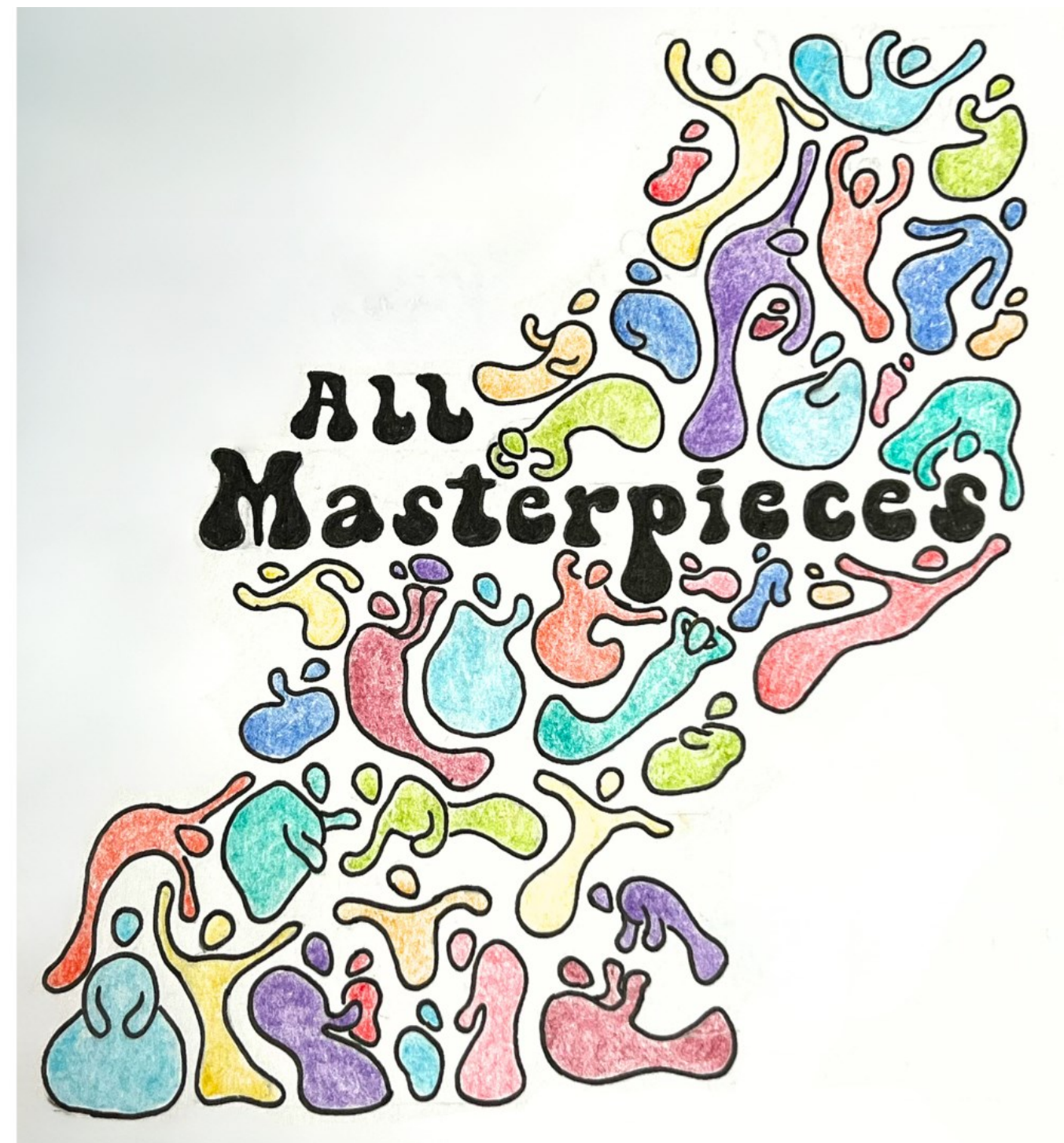
Youth

Ainsley Hargens
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Kade Carrier (Confirmand)
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Ron Matthews
Sarah Rimer

Adults provided guidance, logistical, and technical support for the worship service this morning.



A Service of Worship

February 4, 2024
Fifth Sunday of Epiphany - Youth Sunday
Massanutten Presbyterian Church
Penn Laird, Virginia

Cover art made by Ruth Rascoe

You are invited to see more art and reflections by the youth on the bulletin board in the Narthex

Gathering

Prelude

Words for Reflection

*We pray for all the people that are struggling with self image
and feeling that they are not enough.*

Greeting

Pouring of the Water & Lighting of the Candles

Introit

Reverie
Fun with Handbells

-Eithun

*Call to Worship (*responsively*)

Every morning when I look in the mirror

I am a Masterpiece.

When I go out in public

I am a Masterpiece.

Even at my worst

I am a Masterpiece.

God made us all different.

We are all God's Masterpiece.

*Prayer

*Hymn

You Are my Strength When I Am Weak

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*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Dear God, we fail to see the good work that you have put into us

and we are blind to the ways that you have made us special.

Help us to see the good in each other and in ourselves

as we move through our lives.

Show us all the wonderful things that have happened to us

and how we are all the beautiful masterpieces that God has created us to be.

When we doubt our abilities, our beauty, and our worthiness,

we ask you to help us to see the good in ourselves,

because no matter what, we are God's good creations. Amen.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

*Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

*Response of Praise

Gloria, Gloria

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Gloria, Gloria, in Excelsis Deo!

Gloria, Gloria, Alleluia. Alleluia!

We Gather Around God's Word
"You Are God's Masterpiece"

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 2:8-10 *NLT*

Message (*including Time With the Children*)

We Respond to God's Word

*Affirmation of Faith (*unison*)

We believe in God and the ways that God shows up in our lives.

We will work to love and respect each other.

We believe that God made us in his image

and that we are all perfect in his eyes.

We are his masterpieces and we are all wonderful creations.

We will try to be grateful and loving people each day

so that we can live as God's good work.

Invitation to the Offering

*Hymn and Song of Thanksgiving

How Great Thou

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We are Fed at God's Table

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving (*responsively*)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

God of Grace and Mercy, it is right for us to gather and offer you thanks and praise...*(the leader continues)*

...By your Spirit, with your children in every time and place, we pray as Jesus taught saying,

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.