ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAMS

FAITHFUL CONVERSATIONS

This group gathers to share prayer concerns and devotional discussion On April 7 and 14, Beth Smith will lead the group on scripture meditations.

THE COVENANT CLASS

The class is studying an "Invitation to the New Testament," by the Disciple series.

Learn more: speak to Pastor Keith, visit massanuttenchurch.org, or call (540) 434-6194.

CHILDREN & YOUTH PROGRAMS

CHILDREN (THRU 5TH GRADE)

Faith Village: Explore Bible stories through learning styles such as art, music, cooking, drama, & games. 9:30 a.m.

Godly Play (Pre-K—2nd grade): Learn Bible stories through wonder and storytelling using wooden figures and felt underlays. During worship.

YOUTH (6TH-12TH GRADE)

High School Breakfast (9th—12th): Enjoy breakfast food & relaxed talk about faith & anything else. 9:30 a.m.

Youth Group: Sunday dinner, fellowship, & fun while learning about your faith. 6-8 p.m.

Fun with Handbells: Explore the fun of ringing from the basics to beyond with the opportunity to ring in worship. 5:00 p.m.

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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 Second Sunday of Easter			
April 7, 2024			10:30 a.m
	We Gather a	at God's Call	
Introit	O Lord, How S	hall I Meet You	-Melchoir
Greeting and Po	uring of the Water		
Prelude	Now All the Vault of	of Heaven Resounds	-Hobby
Halleluj The risen Chri	p <i>(responsively)</i> s for us to come together as ah! Jesus is in our midst! st speaks to us and gives us ah! Let our worship procla	peace.	-

*Hymn

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I greet thee, who my sure Redeemer art, my only trust and Savior of my heart, who pain didst undergo for my poor sake; I pray thee from our hearts all cares to take.

I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

Thou art the King of mercy and of grace, reigning omnipotent in every place: so come, O King, and our whole being sway; shine on us with the light of thy pure day.

Thou art the life, by which alone we live, and all our substance and our strength receive; sustain us by thy faith and by thy power, and give us strength in every trying hour.

Thou hast the true and perfect gentleness; no harshness hast thou and no bitterness. O grant to us the grace we find in thee, that we may dwell in perfect unity.

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession (unison)

Almighty God,

we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved you with all of our heart, mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done, and the good we have left undone.

Lord, you are full of compassion. You are slow to anger, and abound in mercy. There is always forgiveness with you! Restore to us the joy of your salvation and let our ways and words reflect our delight. Through the Risen Lord Jesus we pray, Amen.

*Assurance of Forgiveness *(responsively)* Friends, hear this Good News: the love of God is beyond measure, and you are included in that love. Know that you are forgiven and thus freed to love and serve. Alleluia! Amen.

*Response of Praise Alleluia, Alleluia Give Thanks.

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Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name Come let us praise the living God, joyfully sing to our Savior. Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name

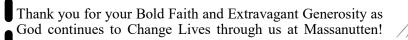
*Sharing the Peace of Christ *(responsively)* The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. And also with you.

Life at Massanutten

- Help the Presbyterian Women support **Church World Service** by visiting the Best Gifts Tree in the narthex April 7-21. Supporting this project will help CWS support many needs worldwide with blankets, tools, books, pigs, goats, and chickens.
- Mark your calendar for Saturday, April 20th! Our ministry neighbors at **Massanetta Springs** will be hosting the annual *Spring Clean-Up Event*. This day of joy-filled work and fellowship readies the campus for all the good programs MPC children, youth, adults - and many others - participate in throughout the months ahead. Check-in at 8:30—stay for all or part of the day. Massanetta will be providing lunch for everyone in the dining room.
- **Preschool Krispy Kreme Fundraiser**—Visit the table in the narthex to place your donut order or purchase a gift card. Orders must be placed by April 11th and they will be available for pick up on Wednesday, April 17th. Thanks for supporting MPC Preschool!
- The **Shenandoah Valley Choral Society**, under the direction of Curtis Nolley, will present their Spring concert "Songs of Comfort, Songs of Joy" on Friday, April 12th, 7:30 pm and Sunday, April 14th, 3:00 pm at Bridgewater Church of the Brethren. Tickets available at the door. Admission \$15 for adults and \$12 for seniors/students.
- The Massanetta Bible and Church Music Conference will be held July 21-27— Registration is Open! The early bird incentive ends March 25th! This year's theme is: A New Creation, featuring Brian Blount as the Bible Study Leader and Sharon Johnson Kerschner as the Speakman Chair of preaching.

Let's Celebrate and Give Thanks for B	ECOMING DEBT-FREE!
After 20 years and more than \$2.7 million paid, Massanutten Pr final mortgage payment! Now that we're untethered from debt, let's celebrate and give thanks!	resbyterian Church has made its
Mark your calendars for Sunday , May 5 th , when we will have a celebration lunch after worship. There will be a catered meal, fun activities, and heartwarming fellowship.	Bold Faith + Extravagant Generosity

= Changing Lives



This Week At MPC Sunday, April 7

9:00am	Adult Sunday School
9:30am	Faith Village
	HS Breakfast
	Parent Fellowship
10:00am	Coffee Fellowship (GA)
10:30am	Worship
	Godly Play
5:00pm	Fun with Handbells
6:00pm	HS & MS Youth
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Monday, April 8

10:00am Food Pantry 6:00pm Cub Scouts (108, 117) Massanutten Ringers (HBR) 7:00pm Boy Scouts (119)

Tuesday, April 9

10:00am Morning Circle (L)

Wednesday, April 10

Men's Prayer Group (FH) 7:30am Bethel Circle (SS) 2:00pm Evening Circle (FH) 4:00pm 7:00pm Chancel Choir

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Godly Play

Youth: Sara Dal

Thursday, April 11 Mosaic (HBR) 4:30pm 6:00pm Cub Scouts (108, 117) 7:00pm Food Pantry

Friday, April 12 Cub Scouts (FH) until 4/13, 6:00pm 9:00pm Church Office Closed

Saturday, April 13

Cub Scout Blue & Gold Banquet (FH) Church Office Closed

Sunday, April 14

9:00am	Adult Sunday School
9:30am	Faith Village
	HS Breakfast
	Parent Fellowship
10:30am	Worship
	Godly Play
2:00pm	Cub Scouts (108, 117)
5:00pm	Fun with Handbells
6:00pm	MS & HS Youth

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itor: Fred Good	Door Monitor: Harvey Mast
Bo & Patti Hobbie	Greeters: Jon & Mary Ann Alger
Water Pourers: eryl Henderson & Sally Brown	Ushers & Water Pourers: Lewis, Emily & Jacob Burkholder
Latie Rodgers & Erin Basgier	Nursery: Katie Rodgers & Julia Sensabaugh
ge: nifer Coffelt and Janina Peachey	Faith Village: Jennifer Coffelt and Janina Peachey
Robin and Diann Reed	Godly Play: Jack & Sarah Rimer
ah Rimer & Glenn Wayland le Dobroth & Nancy Wayland	Youth: Sarah Rimer & Doug Sensabaugh Gus Scheidt

We Gather Around God's Word

*Sung Prayer for Illumination Spirit of the Living God

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Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Time with the Children		Janina Peachey
Anthem	Open My Eyes	-K. Lee Scott
Scripture Reading		John 20:19-31
Sermon		Pastor Ann Pettit

We Respond to God's Word

*Affirmation of Faith (unison)	From A Declaration of Faith
We are certain that Jesus lives.	· ·
He lives as God with us,	
touching all of human life with the prese	nce of God.
He lives as one of us with God.	
Because he shares our humanity	
and has bound us to himself in love,	
we have an advocate in the innermost life	e of God.
We declare that Jesus is Lord.	
His resurrection is a decisive victory	
over the powers that deform and destroy	human life.
His lordship is hidden.	
The world appears to be dominated by peop	ple and systems
that do not acknowledge his rule.	
But his lordship is real.	
It demands our loyalty and sets us free	
from the fear of all lesser lords who threa	aten us.
We maintain that ultimate sovereignty	
now belongs to Jesus Christ	
in every sphere of life.	
Jesus is Lord.	
He has been Lord from the beginning.	
He will be Lord at the end.	
Even now he is Lord.	

Invitation to the Offering

Song of Thanksgiving

I Come with Joy (v. 5)

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Together met, together bound by all that God has done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the love that makes us one. the love that makes us one.

Concerns of the Congregation

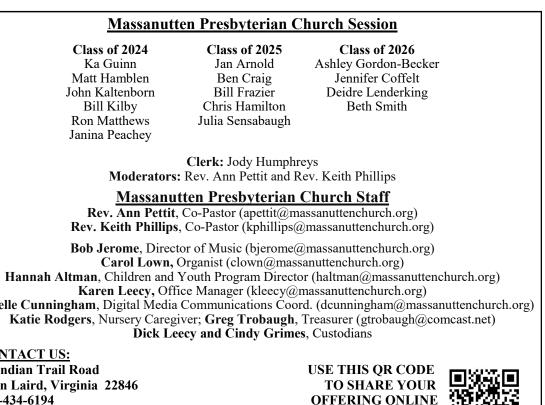
Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

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	Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing! (v. 1-3)	239
	Good Christians all, rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!	
	The Lord of life is risen today! Death's mighty stone is rolled away. Let all the earth rejoice and say: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!	
	Praise we in songs of victory that love, that life which cannot die, and sing with hearts uplifted high: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!	
*Benediction		
*Benediction Respor	use Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing! (v. 4)	239
	Your name we bless, O risen Lord, and sing today with one accord the life laid down, the life restored:	

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!



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