



Food Truck Festival

Saturday, September 21st
Rockingham County Fairgrounds
11 am–7 pm

Support the Open Doors Shelter Ministry...

- ◆ Mark your calendars for the *Food Truck Fest* and come enjoy the good food, music and crafts. *AND/OR*
- ◆ Volunteer your time—go to valleyopendoors.org and click on the *Food Festival* tab.

Massanutten Presbyterian Church Session

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Massanutten
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



A Service for the Lord's Day
September 15, 2024
Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost

We Gather at God's Call

Introit *This is My Father's World* -Sheppard

Greeting

Pouring of the Water

Prelude *All Creatures of Our God and King* -Hobby

*Call to Worship (*responsively*) Gus Scheidt, Worship Leader

Let the heavens celebrate! Let the earth rejoice!

Let the sea and everything in it roar!

It is good to give thanks to the LORD,

to sing praises to our Creator.

Let us proclaim God's love in the morning,

and His faithfulness in the evening.

Along with everything that lives and breathes - let us worship God.

*Hymn *I Sing the Mighty Power of God* 32

*I sing the mighty power of God
that made the mountains rise,
and built the lofty skies.*

*I sing the wisdom that ordained
the sun to rule the day.*

*The moon shines full at God's command,
and all the stars obey.*

*I sing the goodness of the Lord
who filled the earth with food.
God formed the creatures through the Word,
and then pronounced them good.
Lord, how thy wonders are displayed,
where'er I turn my eye,
if I survey the ground I tread,
or gaze upon the sky!*

*There's not a plant or flower below
but makes thy glories known.
And clouds arise, and tempests blow,
by order from thy throne,
while all that borrows life from thee
is ever in thy care,
and everywhere that we can be,
thou, God, art present there.*

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**Creator God,
You have shaped the world in beauty and harmony
and invite us to participate in the balance of creation.
Throughout our lives, we learn and grow,
seeking to be faithful with this gift.
Yet, we also acknowledge our failure.
Our lifestyles have led to unintended consequences.
We have given in to temptation
that disrupts your joyous order of the universe.
We cannot undo all our mistakes,
but we can turn once more to Jesus
and find new ways to live and love each other and the earth.
In silence we acknowledge our sin.
(*Silent Confession is Offered*)**

*Assurance of Forgiveness (*responsively*)

Friends, take heart: the mercy of the Lord is deep and wide and sure. Our sins are forgiven.

Thanks be to God for the gift of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Life at Massanutten

Throughout the 2024-2025 program year, we will be exploring what it means to deepen our connectedness to God, to one other and to the world. We will do this in a variety of ways focusing for a season on traditional discipleship practices: worship, education, generosity, prayer and service.

The last chapter and the final words of Psalm 150 are: 'Let everything that breathes praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!' The first discipleship practice through which we will explore our connectedness is Worship. Over the next several weeks we will consider how worship shapes us and our relationships to God, one other, and the world around us. In the week following each Sunday morning service, opportunities will be available to experience worship away from the sanctuary and in different styles. See the insert for details about each week's worship offering.

- **Join us for lunch Tuesday at 11:30** in the Fellowship and meet Peter Egwudah, the Program Coordinator of the Civil Society Coalition for Poverty Eradication in Nigeria. **Peter is visiting the United States as this year's *International Peacemaker*** and will be at Massanutten to share about his work that day.
- Beginning this week: **3rd Wednesday Dinners at 5:30 pm!** Join us on Wednesday for great fellowship around the table—and a night off from cooking! The menu this week is *Taco Salad Bar*. Come and eat—stay as long as you'd like or are able, and enjoy the rest of your evening.
- **Do you like to sing?** Are you interested in giving it a try? This week is the PERFECT week to check out the Chancel Choir. Come for dinner at 5:30—then head down to the choir room for their rehearsal which begins at 7:00 pm. Questions? Contact Bob Jerome at bj Jerome@massanuttenchurch.org.
- **The 2025 Baja Mission Trip** is in the early stages of planning. As part of this, the planning team is selling fall mums. These mums are big and beautiful and will support the purchase of building materials for homes for families in Baja, Mexico. Mums will be delivered to the church on Friday, September 20th and will be \$25.00. To order a mum, contact the church office by Tuesday, September 17th or fill out an order form on the table in the narthex. Checks should be made out to Massanutten Presbyterian Church. If you have questions, please contact Doug Sensabaugh (c dsensabaugh@gmail.com).

This Week At MPC

Sunday, September 15

9:00am Adult Sunday School (117,119)
 9:30am Faith Village
 HS Breakfast
 Parent Fellowship
 10:30am Worship
 Godly Play
 12:00pm Picnic Shelter in use until 3pm
 2:00pm Cub Scouts (108,119)
 6:00pm MS & HS Youth

Monday, September 16

6:00pm Cub Scouts (108, 119)
 6:00pm Worship Walk (Massanetta)
 7:00pm Massanuttin Ringers (HBR)
 7:00pm Boy Scouts (PS)

Tuesday, September 17

11:30am Mission Program & Lunch (FH)

Wednesday, September 18

7:30am Men's Prayer Group (FH)
 5:30pm Family Evening Meal & Fellowship (FH)
 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (CR)

Thursday, September 19

3:00pm Worship Walk (Massanetta)
 4:30pm Mosaic (HBR)
 6:00pm Cub Scouts (108, 119)

Friday, September 20

Church Office Closed

Saturday, September 21

Church Office closed

Sunday, September 22

9:00am Adult Sunday School (117,119)
 9:30am Faith Village
 HS Breakfast
 Parent Fellowship
 10:30am Worship
 Godly Play
 2:00pm Cub Scouts (108,119)
 4:00pm VIA (FH & GA)
 5:00pm Fun with Handbells (HBR)
 6:00pm MS & HS Youth

Serving September 15

Door Monitors: Harvey Mast

Greeters: Bill & Sharon Lam

Ushers & Water Pourers:

Lewis, Emily & Jacob Burkholder

Faith Village: Jennifer Coffelt

Godly Play:

Emily Burkholder & Karen Enslin

Nursery: Katie Rodgers & Barbara Palmer

Youth Group: Sarah Rimer & Gus Scheidt

Serving September 22

Door Monitors: Barbara Palmer

Greeters: TBD

Ushers & Water Pourers:

Sally Brown & Dwight Newman

Faith Village: Jennifer Coffelt

Godly Play:

Emily Burkholder & Karen Enslin

Nursery: Katie Rodgers & Sharon Lam

Youth Group: Sarah Rimer & Gus Scheidt

*Response of Praise

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee (v.1)

611

*Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
 God of glory, Lord of love!
 Hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
 opening to the sun above.
 Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
 drive the dark of doubt away.
 Giver of immortal gladness,
 fill us with the light of day.*

*Sharing the Peace of Christ (*responsively*)

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

We Gather Around God's Word

*Sung Prayer for Illumination

Seek Ye First

175

*Seek ye first the kingdom of God
 and its righteousness,
 and all these things shall be added unto you.
 Allelu, alleluia!*

*Ask, and it shall be given unto you;
 seek, and you shall find;
 knock, and the door shall be opened unto you.
 Allelu, alleluia!*

*You shall not live by bread alone,
 but by every word
 that proceeds from the mouth of God.
 Allelu, alleluia!*

Time with the Children

Pastor Keith Phillips

Anthem

Creation Sings (Psalm 150)

-Covington

Scripture Reading

Genesis 1 & 2 Selections

We Respond to God's Word

*Affirmation of Faith

Selections 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.
God called all he had made good.
We declare that the universe of matter, energy, and life
is God's good creation in all its parts.
Even though evil has emerged within God's creation,
we may work and play in it
and explore it with wonder and joy.**

Invitation to the Offering

Song of Thanksgiving

Let All Things Now Living (v. 2)

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*By law God enforces,
the stars in their courses,
the sun in its orbit obediently shine;
the hills and the mountains,
the rivers and fountains,
the depths of the ocean proclaim God divine.
We too should be voicing
our love and rejoicing;
with glad adoration, a song let us raise,
till all things now living
unite in thanksgiving:
to God in the highest, hosanna and praise!*

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

Fairest Lord Jesus (v.1-3)

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*Fairest Lord Jesus,
Ruler of all nature,
O thou of God to earth come down,
thee will I cherish,
thee will I honor,
thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.*

*Fair are the meadows,
fairer still the woodlands,
robed in the blooming garb of spring.
Jesus is fairer;
Jesus is purer,
who makes the woeful heart to sing.*

*Fair is the sunshine,
fairer still the moonlight,
and all the twinkling, starry host.
Jesus shines brighter;
Jesus shines purer,
than all the angels heaven can boast.*

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

Fairest Lord Jesus

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*Beautiful Savior,
Ruler of the nations,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor,
praise, adoration,
now and forevermore be thine!*