



MPC Supports the “Building a Place for All” Campaign!



The Session has approved a \$75,000 commitment for the Massanetta Springs’ “Building a Place for All” campaign. Through next Sunday, you’ll learn more and have a chance to participate in the campaign. The distribution of our commitment includes:

- \$25,000 from our ministry budget. \$5,000 per year for five years, and will be in addition to our regular support of Massanetta’s ministry and program.
- \$25,000 or more from commitments made by individuals and families at MPC.
- \$25,000 from a matching gift challenge made by an anonymous member of MPC.

You can also learn more by visiting the table in the Narthex anytime and gathering for lunch in the Fellowship Hall after worship today. Next Sunday, **October 20th**, pledge cards will be received for those interested in making an individual commitment to support Massanetta’s **Building a Place for All** Campaign.

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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
Twenty-First Sunday After Pentecost

October 13, 2024

10:30 a.m.

We Gather at God’s Call

Introit *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

Greeting

Pouring of the Water

Prelude *Sing to the Lord* -Smith

*Call to Worship (*responsively*)

With what shall we come before the Holy One,
and bow ourselves before God on high?

God has shown us what is good.

What does the Holy One require of us?

**To do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with our God.**

In this spirit, let us worship God together.

*Hymn *Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers* 407

*Spirit divine, attend our prayers,
and make this house your home.
Descend with all your gracious powers.
O come, great Spirit, come!*

*Come as the light. To us reveal
our emptiness and woe.
And lead us in those paths of life
where all the righteous go.*

*Come as the fire and purge our hearts
like sacrificial flame.
Let our whole soul an offering be
to our Redeemer's name.*

*Come as the dove and spread your wings,
the wings of peaceful love.
And let the church on earth become
blest as the church above.*

*Spirit divine, attend our prayers.
Make a lost world your home.
Descend with all your gracious powers.
O come, great Spirit, come!*

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**Eternal God, we confess that we have failed to seek your will.
You have shown us what is good, but we remain enthralled by evil.
You have offered us abundant life, but we are satisfied with pursuing riches.**

**Forgive us, God of grace.
By the power of your Word cut away all that is false
and open our hearts to new life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Assurance of Forgiveness (*responsively*)

Hear the good news! The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance,
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross,
that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good.

In the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

*Response of Praise

Come, Christians, Join to Sing (v. 1)

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***Come, Christians, join to sing: Alleluia! Amen!
Loud praise to Christ our King: Alleluia! Amen!
Let all, with heart and voice,
before his throne rejoice;
praise is his gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!***

*Sharing the Peace of Christ (*responsively*)

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

And also with you.

Life at Massanutten

- **Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is at work responding to areas affected by Hurricane Helene and Milton.** Along with our prayers, we can continue to support their work through financial gifts to PDA. You can make your gift through our website's giving portal or by check (write hurricane in the memo section.).
- **Following worship** today, we will gather in fellowship hall for a delicious lunch prepared and delivered to us by Massanetta Springs. Stay as long as you are able and enjoy the conversation around the table. Clayton Rascoe, Executive Director at Massanetta Springs, will join us as well and share some information about the *Building a Place for All Campaign* at Massanetta.
- **Third Wednesday Dinners** began last month and the next one is just days away on **Oct. 16th at 5:30 p.m.** Please join us for great table fellowship - and a night off from cooking! Come and eat - stay as long as you'd like or are able, and enjoy the rest of your evening (without dishes) Help us plan: let us know you'll be there (but if you find you're available after all-come on along!).
- As we shared in a recent congregational communication, Karen Leecy (Office Manager) and Greg Trobaugh (Church Treasurer), will retire from their staff positions at MPC after faithfully serving the congregation for many years. A time to celebrate their ministry has been set for Sunday, November 3rd, following worship. *Mark your calendars and stay tuned for more information!*
- **Salvation Army Santa Sacks** – This annual local mission project of Presbyterian Women benefits the Salvation Army and we are invited to join them in this effort. A list of needed items can be found in the Narthex, on the Santa Sack Collection Box. Please make your contribution by November 14th.
- Last Spring we launched the new **Oak Tree Capital Reserve Fund** and **Acorn Endowment Fund** to help our ministry continue to grow, today and in the future. After the end of each quarter of the year, our Legacy Funds Board will provide an update on the totals in each fund. As of September 30, 2024, the Acorn Endowment Fund balance is \$6,645 and the Oak Tree Capital Reserve Fund is \$67,324. To learn more about the funds and ways to give, visit massanuttenchurch.org.

This Week At MPC

Sunday, October 13

9:00am Adult Sunday School (117,119)
 9:30am Faith Village
 HS Breakfast
 Parent Fellowship
 10:30am Worship
 Godly Play
 Lunch following Worship
 1:00pm Worship Commission
 2:00pm Cub Scouts (108,119)
 5:00pm Fun with Handbells (HBR)
 Youth Parents Baja Meeting
 6:00pm MS & HS Youth

Monday, October 14

10:00am Food Pantry
 5:00pm Admin Commission
 6:00pm Cub Scouts (108, 117)
 7:00pm Massanutten Ringers (HBR)
 7:00pm Boy Scouts (119, PS)

Tuesday, October 15

Wednesday, October 16

7:30am Men's Prayer Group (FH)
 5:30pm Third Wednesday Dinner (FH)
 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (CR)

Thursday, October 17

4:30pm Mosaic (HBR)
 6:00pm Cub Scouts (108, 119)

Friday, October 18

Church Office Closed

Saturday, October 19

Church Office closed
 Shenandoah Presbytery Youth
 Lock-In at Massanetta Springs
 Oct. 19 & 20)

Sunday, October 20

9:00am Adult Sunday School (117,119)
 9:30am Faith Village
 HS Breakfast
 Parent Fellowship
 10:30am Worship
 Godly Play
 12:00pm Session Meeting
 2:00pm Cub Scouts (108,119)
 5:00pm Fun with Handbells (HBR)
 6:00pm MS & HS Youth

Serving October 13

Door Monitors: Glenn & Nancy Wayland

Greeters: Mike Guinn & Doug Smith

Ushers & Water Pourers:
 Keith & Linda Knupp

Faith Village:
 Jennifer Coffelt & Nancy Wayland

Godly Play: Sarah Rimer & Emily Burkholder

Nursery: Katie Rodgers & Erin Basgier

Youth Group: Sarah Rimer, Gus Scheidt & Karen Mast

Serving October 20

Door Monitors: Harvey Mast

Greeters:
 Ric & JoAnn Leobold

Ushers & Water Pourers:
 Bo & Patti Hobbie

Faith Village:
 Jennifer Coffelt & Nancy Wayland

Godly Play: Jean & Bill Kilby

Nursery: Katie Rodgers & Diann Reed

Youth Group: Gus Scheidt & Keith Phillips

We Gather Around God's Word

*Sung Prayer for Illumination *Open My Eyes, That I May See (v. 2)*

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*Open my ears, that I may hear
 voices of truth thou sendest clear.
 And while the wave notes fall on my ear,
 everything false will disappear.
 Silently now I wait for thee,
 ready, my God, thy will to see.
 Open my ears; illumine me, Spirit divine!*

Time with the Children

Pastor Ann Pettit

Joining Our Partners in Mission Massanetta Springs

Tori Kaltenborn

Building a Place for All Campaign

Anthem

Humble Service

- Fleming

Scripture

Mark 10:17-31

Sermon

Pastor Keith Phillips

We Respond to God's Word

*Affirmation of Faith (*responsively*) selections from: *The Confession of Belhar*

We believe that God has been revealed

as the one who wishes to bring about justice and true peace among people;

that God, in a world full of injustice and enmity,

is in a special way the God of the destitute, the poor and the wronged

that God calls the church to follow;

for God brings justice to the oppressed and gives bread to the hungry;

that God frees the prisoner and restores sight to the blind;

that God supports the downtrodden, protects the stranger,

helps orphans and widows and blocks the path of the ungodly;

that God wishes to teach the church to do what is good and to seek the right;

that the church must therefore stand by people in any form of suffering and need,

which implies, among other things, that the church must witness against

and strive against any form of injustice,

so that justice may roll down like waters,

and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

Invitation to the Offering

Song of Thanksgiving *God of the Fertile Fields (v.2)* 714

*We would be stewards true,
holding in trust from you
all that you give;
help us in love to share,
teach us like you to care
for people everywhere,
that all may live.*

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 *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.*

*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.*

*Benediction

*Benediction Response *God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me (v. 5)* 543

*Christ in the eyes of all who see me,
Christ in the ears that hear my voice,
Christ in the hearts of all who know me:
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.*