



The more we come to see that God entrusts these things to us for the purpose of serving & glorifying God, the more we can joyfully offer them back to God. Stewardship is a way of living in response to God's generosity toward us.

It means not only giving thanks for everything God has entrusted to our care, but also sharing it so that we may join boldly with the Spirit's work in the world.

*We lift our voices, we lift our hands,  
we lift our very lives to God as an offering to God's glory.*

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**Massanutten**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



A Service for the Lord's Day

January 26, 2025

*A New Season of Generosity Week One*

**We Gather at God's Call**

Introit *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart* -Messiter

Greeting

Pouring of the Water

Prelude *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* -Wood

\*Call to Worship (*responsively*) Kath Wissinger, Worship Leader

Praise the Lord, for God is great indeed!

Let us sing praises for God's glorious works.

**We give glory, honor, and thanksgiving to the Lord,  
who makes and sustains all things.**

\*Hymn *Be Thou My Vision* 450

*Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
naught be all else to me, save that thou art;  
thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.*

*Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word;  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower;  
raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.*

*Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise;  
thou, mine inheritance, now and always;  
thou and thou only, first in my heart,  
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.*

*High King of Heaven, my victory won,  
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.*

\*Call to Confession

\*Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**Merciful and gentle God,  
we have wanted reward without sacrifice.  
We have been unwilling to serve  
and have not humbled ourselves in obedience.  
Forgive our pride, gracious God.  
Correct our ignorant ways  
and help us to know your glory through servanthood.  
Guide us to be true followers of your way,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\*Assurance of Forgiveness (*responsively*)

Friends in Christ, let us proclaim the Good News:

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

And we are not only forgiven, we are also freed.

**Let us greet the world as people made new in Christ.**

\*Response of Praise

*Sing Praise to God (v. 1)*

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*Sing praise to God who reigns above,  
the God of all creation,  
the God of power, the God of love,  
the God of our salvation.  
With healing balm my soul is filled,  
and every faithless murmur stilled:  
to God all praise and glory!*

## Life at Massanutten

*Throughout the 2024-2025 program year, we are exploring what it means to deepen our connectedness to God, to one other and to the world. We have been doing this by focusing for a season on traditional discipleship practices: worship (September), education (November), generosity, prayer and service.*

*The first words in Psalm 24 bear testimony to God's creative power and love: 'The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it.' In this third practice of discipleship—**Generosity**—we will explore what it means to be recipients of God's kindness, goodness and hospitality—in the abundant way it is given to us. We will consider what God invites us to do with these gifts, and we will prayerfully ask God to reveal to us something new about how we live into generosity in faithful ways.*

- We are thrilled to welcome **new staff members** to MPC!
  - Ashlea Liptrap will serve as our new Administrative Assistant. She will be in the church office during business hours and will also handle our church communications. She recently worked in a similar capacity at May Supply.
  - Julia Walsh-Hornick will serve as our new Financial Administrator. She recently worked in a similar capacity at The Arc of Harrisonburg and Rockingham County.
  - Logan Davis will serve as our Digital Worship Coordinator. Logan grew up in our church and recently graduated from James Madison University.
  - We are grateful to Karen Leecy, Greg Trobaugh, Danielle Cunningham, and Janet Morris for their continuing roles in training our new hires. We are also grateful to our hiring team members (Emily Burkholder, Ben Craig, Larry French, Cheryl Henderson, and Janet Morris) for their hard work.
  - We hope you will warmly welcome Ashlea, Julia, and Logan to our team! Soon, we will share more details about each of them on our website and in the *Blessings* email newsletter.
- **New Topics for Adult Sunday School!**
  - Faithful Conversations has begun a study of the book *Necessary Risks: Challenges Privileged People Need to Face*, by Rev. Dr. Teri McDowell Ott. Teri is the editor of the Presbyterian Outlook magazine. She and her family are friends of our congregation.
  - Next Sunday, February 2nd, the Covenant Class will begin studying *Enough: God's Blessings in Abundance*, from the PC(USA)'s Being Reformed series.
- **Inclement Weather Policy for MPC**—In case of inclement weather, check church closings on WHSV (Harrisonburg television station) or the church website [www.massanuttenchurch.org](http://www.massanuttenchurch.org).

**This Week At MPC**

**Sunday, January 26**

9:00am Adult Sunday School (117,119)  
9:30am Faith Village HS Breakfast Parent Fellowship  
10:30am Worship Godly Play  
12:15pm Session Meeting  
1:00pm Recorder Rehearsal (200)  
2:00pm Cub Scouts (108,112)  
5:00pm Fun with Handbells (HBR)  
6:00pm MS & HS Youth

**Monday, January 27**

7:00pm Boy Scouts (119)  
7:00pm Massanutten Ringers (HBR)

**Tuesday, January 28**

**Wednesday, January 29**

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

**Thursday, January 30**

4:30pm Mosaic (HBR)  
6:00pm Cub Scouts (108, 112)

**Friday, January 31**

*Church Office Closed*

**Saturday, February 1**

*Church Office closed*

**Sunday, February 2—Youth Sunday**

9:00am Adult Sunday School (117,119)  
9:30am Faith Village Parent Fellowship  
10:30am Worship *No Godly Play*  
2:00pm Cub Scouts (108,119) *No evening youth programs*

**Serving January 26**

**Door Monitor:** Skip Wissinger

**Greeters:** Tom & Gina Holden

**Ushers & Water Pourers:**  
Dale & Dorothy Dobroth

**Faith Village:** Jennifer Coffelt & Jean Kilby

**Godly Play:** Jack & Sarah Rimer

**Nursery:** Katie Rodgers & Julia Sensabaugh

**Youth Group:** Sarah Rimer, Gus Scheidt, & Mark Palmer

**Serving February 2**

**Door Monitor:** Robin Reed

**Greeters:** Bettye Davis & Deb Thompson

**Ushers & Water Pourers:**  
TBD

**Faith Village:** Jennifer Coffelt

**Godly Play:** *No Godly Play*

**Nursery:** Katie Rodgers & Julia Sensabaugh

**Youth Group:** *No Evening Meeting*

Four Cents a Meal Offering *Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart*

*Give thanks with a grateful heart;  
give thanks to the Holy One;  
give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son.*

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*And now let the weak say,  
"We are strong";  
let the poor say,  
"We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!"*

*And now let the weak say,  
"We are strong";  
let the poor say,  
"We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!"  
Give thanks. Give thanks.*

**We Gather Around God's Word**

Time with the Children

Jean Kilby

Anthem

*Amazing Grace*

-Rutter

Scripture

Luke 5:1-11

Sermon

Pastor Keith Phillips

## We Respond to God's Word

\*Affirmation of Faith (*adapted from Ephesians 2*)

**We were once without hope.  
We stumbled along lost, without direction  
following our own desires.  
But God is merciful.  
God loved us so much he brought us near  
and made us alive with Christ.  
God's wonderful kindness is what saves us.  
God's goodness is what gives us life.  
We are saved by the one who is generous beyond measure.  
It is God's gift to us and not anything we have earned on our own.  
By grace we live in the world as grateful disciples.**

Moment for Generosity

*Open Doors*

Dale Dobroth

Invitation to the Offering

Song of Thanksgiving *We Give Thee But Thine Own (vv. 1-2)*

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*We give thee but thine own,  
whate'er the gift may be;  
all that we have is thine alone,  
a trust, O Lord, from thee.*

*May we thy bounties thus  
as stewards true receive,  
and gladly, as thou blessest us,  
to thee our first fruits give.*

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

*God, Be the Love (vv. 1-4)*

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*God, be the love to search and keep me;  
God, be the prayer to move my voice;  
God, be the strength to now uphold me:  
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.*

*Bind to myself the Name of Holy,  
great cloud of witnesses enfold;  
prophets, apostles, angels witness:  
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.*

*Brightness of sun and glow of moonlight,  
flashing of lightning, strength of wind,  
depth of the sea to soil of planet:  
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.*

*Walking behind to hem my journey,  
going ahead to light my way,  
and from beneath, above, and all ways:  
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.*

\*Benediction

\*Benediction Response

*God, Be the Love (v. 5)*

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*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.*

Today we receive the 4-Cents-a-Meal offering,  
a ministry of the PC(USA)'s Cents-Ability program.  
Gifts to 4-Cents-a-Meal support hunger ministries near & far.  
25% of what's received will remain at Massanutten.  
We will use it to support the purchase of food  
for our Blessings-in-a-Bag/Food-for-the-Weekend program  
at South River Elementary School in Grottoes.

