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Massanutten
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Our mission:

*to nurture disciples of Jesus Christ
who are sent to join boldly with the
Spirit's work in the world.*

A Service of Worship
Third Sunday in Lent

March 08, 2026

10:30 a.m.

**An asterisk denotes an invitation to stand*

We Gather at God's Call

Introit *Be Still, for the Presence of the Lord* - Evans

Greeting and Pouring of the Water

Prelude *They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love* - Wagner
Massanutten Ringers

*Call to Worship *Tim Russell, Worship Leader*
Come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!
The hour is coming and is now here.
In spirit and truth, let us worship God.

*Hymn *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* 475

*Come, thou Fount of every blessing; tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;
praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love!*

*Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.*

*O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.*

*Call to Confession

Life at Massanutten

*Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Lord, you know who we are.

You know everything we have done.

We thirst for things that will never satisfy us.

We commit ourselves to things that will never last.

We worship things that will never bring salvation.

Still, you offer us the gift of living water.

Still, you offer us the gift of eternal life.

**Forgive us, O Lord, and give us this living water,
so that we may never thirst again. Amen.**

*Assurance of Forgiveness (*responsively*)

This is the good news of God's grace:

Though we were sinners, Christ died for us.

Though we were enemies of God, God loved us.

Once we were lost and dead -

now Christ has become our life and salvation.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

*Response of Praise *Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy* (v. 3)

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***Come, ye weary, heavy laden, lost and ruined by the fall;
if you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all.***

***I will arise and go to Jesus; he will embrace me in his arms.
In the arms of my dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.***

*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 *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less* (v. 1)
for Illumination

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***My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.***

***On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand;
all other ground is sinking sand.***

- ◆ **Registration for Netta Day Camp Summer 2026 is now open! Netta Day Camp** provides an introductory outdoor, faith-based camping experience for kids aged 6 to 12. Here, they can play, explore, and learn new skills in a safe and fun environment. Activities include canoeing, archery, campfire cooking, and swimming, with weekly themes such as water, nature, campers' choice, and music. To learn more, visit: <https://massanettasprings.org/nettadaycamp>.
- ◆ **MPC is planning to host Vacation Bible School (VBS) this summer.** More details will be shared soon. Volunteers are needed to help make this event possible, so if you're interested in helping, please contact Hannah Altman.
- ◆ **GODLY PLAY:** Volunteers are needed to keep this program going! Please email Hannah at haltman@massanuttchurch.org if you are interested in volunteering.

*If you have not yet made a **financial commitment** for 2026,
we encourage you to do so. You may turn in a **commitment card**
(available in the Narthex) or may make a commitment online.
Thanks to everyone who has made a commitment thus far!*

Spring Clean-Up Day – April 25 | Massanetta Springs

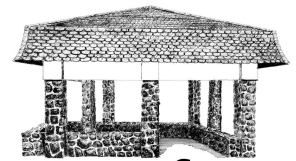
Massanetta Springs will host its annual Spring Clean-Up Day on **April 25**, organized by the **Friends of Massanetta**. This is a **rain-or-shine event**, so the workday will take place regardless of the weather. Volunteers are encouraged to come out and lend a hand as Massanetta prepares for the summer season. Individuals, families, friends, youth groups, and church members are all welcome. A variety of projects will be available both indoors and outdoors, with tasks suited for all skill levels. **Lunch will be provided in the hotel dining room at noon.** Projects will include **painting, gardening, weeding flower beds, and general campus preparation.** One project that will require extra help is the **demolition of the wooden walkway behind the hotel that connects Calvin to the Spring House.** Volunteers are welcome to participate for the full day or just a portion of it—any help is greatly appreciated. If you plan to attend, please contact **Massanetta Springs at (540) 434-3829** to help with the lunch headcount. For questions, contact **Doug Smith at (540) 705-5862.**

Event Details

Date: April 25

Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm.

Lunch: Provided at noon in the hotel dining room



Massanetta Springs
CAMP AND CONFERENCE CENTER

This Week At MPC
Sunday, March 8
 9:00 am Adult Sunday School (117,119)
 9:30 am Faith Village
 MS Sunday School
 HS Breakfast
 Parent Fellowship
 10:30 am Worship
 Godly Play
 1:00 pm Recorder Rehearsal (200)
 3:00 pm PNC Meeting (L)
 4:00 pm Cub Scouts (108, 119)
 5:00 pm Fun w/Handbells (HBR)
 6:00 pm Youth Group (FH)
Monday, March 9
 10:00 am Food Pantry
 5:00 pm Admin. Comm. Meeting (L)
 6:00 pm Cub Scouts (108, 119)
 7:00 pm Massanutten Ringers (HBR)
Tuesday, March 10
 10:00 am Tues. Morning Circle (FH)
Wednesday, March 11
 7:30 am Men's Prayer Group (FH)
 12:00 pm "LOL" Lunch Group (GA)
 2:00 pm Bethel Circle (SS)
 5:00 pm N & D Comm. Meeting (L)

Wednesday, March 11 - (continued)
 6:00 pm Personnel Comm. Meeting (L)
 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal (200)
Thursday, March 12
 10:00 am Thurs. Morning Circle (FH)
 4:30 pm Mosaic (HBR)
 6:00 pm Cub Scouts (108, 119)
 7:00 pm Food Pantry
Friday, March 13
 Church Office Closed
Saturday, March 14
 Church Office Closed
Sunday, March 15
 9:00 am Adult Sunday School (117,119)
 9:30 am Faith Village
 MS Sunday School
 HS Breakfast
 Parent Fellowship
 10:30 am Worship
 Session meeting after worship
 Godly Play
 3:00 pm PNC Meeting (L)
 4:00 pm Cub Scouts (108, 119)
 5:00 pm Fun w/Handbells (HBR)
 6:00 pm Youth Group (FH)

Serving March 8
Door Monitor: Frank Gearing
Greeters: Dexter and Cyndi Taylor
Ushers & Water Pourers:
 Cheryl Henderson and Dwight Wm Newman
Faith Village & Middle School:
 Jennifer Coffelt, Ellen Blose,
 David Allen, and Hannah Altman
HS Breakfast:
 Emily Burkholder and Diann Reed
Godly Play:
 Sarah Rimer and Hannah Altman
Nursery:
 Katie Rodgers and Erin Basgier
Youth Group: Sarah Rimer, Gus Scheidt
 Chris Hamilton, and Hannah Altman

Serving March 15
Door Monitor: Harvey Mast
Greeters: Bettye Davis and Deb Thompson
Ushers & Water Pourers:
 Dale and Dorothy Dobroth
Faith Village & Middle School:
 Jennifer Coffelt, Ellen Blose,
 David Allen, and Hannah Altman
HS Breakfast:
 Emily Burkholder and TBD
Godly Play:
 Holly Veenis and Hannah Altman
Nursery:
 Katie Rodgers and Emily Burkholder
Youth Group: Sarah Rimer, Gus Scheidt
 Karen Mast, and Hannah Altman

Time with the Children Sarah Rimer
 Anthem *You Do Not Walk Alone* - Hagenberg
*May you see God's light on the path ahead
 When the road you walk is dark.
 May you always hear, Even in your hour of sorrow,
 The gentle singing of the lark.
 When times are hard may hardness never turn your heart to stone,
 May you always remember when the shadows fall
 You do not walk alone.
 May you always remember when the shadows fall,
 You do not walk alone.*
 Scripture John 4:4-52
 Sermon Pastor Keith Phillips

We Respond to God's Word

*Affirmation of Faith (*unison*) The Apostles' Creed (2)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Invitation to Offering
 Song of Thanksgiving *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* 606

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
 praise God, all creatures here below;
 praise God above, ye heavenly host;
 praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Congregational Concerns

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 of Grace and God of Glory* 307

*God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power;
crown thine ancient church's story; bring its bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour.*

*Lo! the hosts of evil round us scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!
From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days,
for the living of these days.*

*Cure thy children's warring madness; bend our pride to thy control;
shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.*

*Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore.
Let the gift of thy salvation be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving thee whom we adore,
serving thee whom we adore.*

*Benediction

*Benediction Response *Go, My Children, with My Blessing (v. 1)* 547

*“Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.
In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.”*

We Pray for Members of Our Church Family...

Bill Painter, Patricia Armstrong (receiving treatment for a GIST tumor), **Sharon Pafford** (receiving treatment for cancer), **Don Enslen** (cancer), **Bettye Davis** (receiving treatment for cancer), **Kath Wissinger** (recovering from knee surgery and infection), **Bill Kilby** (home recovering from pneumonia and pulmonary embolism), **Mary Morris** (recovering from hip replacement surgery), **Chris Hamilton** (recovering from carpal tunnel surgery), **Ashley Gordon-Becker** (recovering from surgery).

We Pray for Friends of Our Church Family...

Owen Mann; Linda Caldwell, mother of Kevin Caldwell; **Janet Binion, Jim Roe**, family of Bill Frazier; **Sandra Rohrer**, mother of Lisa Rohrer Folks; **Ken Jones** (cousin, melanoma and liver cancer), **Ella Perry** (friend, connective tissue disease), family and friends of Pastor Keith; **Bob Voorhees**, father of Patti Hobbie; **Mark Heltzel**, son of Helen Groves; **Christena Scott** (blood cancers), **Genie Mosher** (colon cancer), **June Kofford** (family concern), sisters of Kathy Marlowe; **Ray Harvell**, father of Lindsey Harvell-Bowman (health concerns); a member of our church seeks prayers for a private family health concern; **Kim Hoschar** (health, transportation); **Dennis Oakes** (prostate cancer), brother-in-law of Patti Hobbie; **Lauren Kusterbeck** (cancer treatment), friend of Sharon Posey; **Mindy** (cancer) and **Tony** (brain tumor), a married couple who are friends of Diann Reed's family; **Jean Shepley**, mother of Sherry Matthews; **Charles Matthews** (heart issues), brother of Ron Matthews; **Dick Stutzman** (Parkinson's), friend of Ron Matthews; **Rev. Jerrod Lowry** (cancer treatments) and family, friends of Pastor Keith; **Ty Heilman** (cancer), brother of Sally Brown; **Peggy Kuehl** (cancer), friend of Carol Lown and Kath Wissinger; **Mark Carter** (hospice care), brother-in-law of Ron and Sherry Matthews; **Ezra Miller** (diagnosed with leukemia), attended the 4 year old preschool program at MPC last year; **Sandy Zook** (Alzheimer's Disease), grandmother of Cherokee Adams; **Carol Jean Kacho** (breast cancer), family friend of Frank and Jean Gearing; **Rev. Will Roberts** (prayers for discernment as he seeks his next call); **Taffy de Planque** (therapy for fractured hip), mother-in-law of Jennifer Davis; **Heather Brookhoff** (cancer), sister-in-law of Jan Reser; **Rev. John B. Sterrett** (recovering from stroke), son of Doug Sterrett; **Randy Appleton** (recovering from stroke), son of Shirley Appleton; **Christine Eacho** (recovering from heart failure), mother-in-law of Holly Veenis's sister; **Blayke Liptrap** (son of Ashlea Liptrap); **Nathan Bales** (house burned down, recovering from broken ankle), son of the late Bob & Patsy Bales; **Sara Claybrook**, sister-in-law of Jean Gearing; **Melissa Heatwole** (heart surgery), friend of Scott and Sally Brown.

We Extend Sympathy to ...

Harvey and Karen Mast on the death of Harvey's father, **Dr. Harvey Mast, Sr.**, on Feb. 24th.

We Pray for Our Mission and Ministry Efforts...

The Pastor Nominating Committee, Massanutten Food Pantry, Blessings in a Bag, Habitat for Humanity, Open Doors, Valley Interfaith Action

We Pray for Those Serving Our Country...

Jackie DeGaîne, daughter-in-law of Ka & Mike Guinn (Fort Jackson, SC); **Justin Brockhoff**, nephew of Jan Reser (Germany); **Marcus Sensabaugh**, son of Julia and Doug Sensabaugh (Texas); **Hunter Barr**, nephew of David & Alicia Gutschow (Parris Island, SC); **Matt Riordan**, grandson of Jack Heintzleman (Fairbanks, AK); **Dylan Kenny**, nephew of Gus and Stephanie Scheidt (Navy); **Joseph Knight**, brother of Ben Craig (Air Force); **Elizabeth Lee Davis**, daughter of Marc & Nancy Davis (Tampa).