



Holy Week at Massanutten

STILL TO COME...

Friday, April 3, at 7:00 pm - Good Friday
We Journey with Jesus to the Cross



Sunday, April 5 - Easter Sunday
9:00 am - Breakfast
9:45 am - Easter Egg Hunt
10:30 am - Worship
We rejoice for our resurrected Savior



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
Maundy Thursday

April 02, 2026

7:00 p.m.

**An asterisk denotes an invitation to stand*

We Gather for Worship

Prelude *Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley* - Eithun
Youth Ringers

*Call to Worship

We gather tonight to tell the old, old story.

**A story of bitterness and betrayal,
of despair, denial, and death.**

We gather tonight to tell an even older story prepared before the worlds began:

**a story of love powerful enough
to rewrite our endings with the promise of new life.**

In the telling of the story, in the breaking of the bread, in the coming of the night,
we draw near once more to Christ.

We Tell the Story

*Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Mark 14:17-25

*Communion Hymn *Let Us Break Bread Together* 525

*Let us break bread together on our knees; (on our knees)
let us break bread together on our knees.*

*When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me)*

*Let us drink wine together on our knees; (on our knees)
let us drink wine together on our knees.*

*When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me)*

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*Let us praise God together on our knees; (on our knees)
let us praise God together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me)*

We Take the Bread and Cup

Invitation to the Table

Breaking the Bread and Pouring the Cup

*Communion of the People

(Today we will receive communion by intinction. Please move toward the center of the church, then move to the station serving your section. Servers will offer you a piece of bread—please cup your hands to receive it and move to the next server. There, you will dip your piece of bread into the cup. You may consume the elements and then return to your seats. All of the bread is gluten free. For those who cannot come to the front, please raise your hand when asked and you will be served at your seat.)

Final Communion Thoughts

We Tell the Story

Anthem *Were You There?* - Larson

Scripture Reading Mark 14:26-42

We Join with Jesus in Prayer

Hymn *O Lord, Hear My Prayer (sung three times)* 471

*O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer.
When I call, answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer.
O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.*

Prayers of the People (*responsive*)

In your love, Lord **hear our prayers.**

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

**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.**

Life at Massanutten

- ◆ We invite you to participate in the **One Great Hour of Sharing offering**, which we will receive now through Easter Sunday. Your gifts support three vital ministries of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.): Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People. Each ministry brings hope and practical assistance to those in need, both locally and globally. You may contribute by check, using envelopes found in the chair racks, or give online at <https://pcusa.org/special-offerings/one-great-hour-sharing>.
- ◆ **Pancake Supper Fundraiser:** On Wednesday, March 4, members and families of our church and preschool came together for a joyful evening of food, fellowship, and generosity at our **Pancake Supper** to benefit the **MPC School Supply Drive**. We are grateful to share that the event raised a total of **\$1,478.04**, which is **\$565 more than last year**, and welcomed even more people than before. We give thanks for everyone who helped make the evening such a success and for the generous support of this meaningful ministry. Please **be on the lookout** for more information about our upcoming **Book, Bake & Yard Sale on Saturday, June 27 from 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**, which will also support the school supply drive.
- ◆ **Krispy Kreme Fundraiser – MPC Preschool:** Treat yourself while supporting our MPC Preschool! Orders are due **Monday, April 27**. Choose from a Digital Dozen, BOGO Card, or a fresh dozen. Orders will be available for pickup on **May 6**. Full details and order forms are available in the Narthex. Please make checks payable to MPC Preschool. Thank you for supporting us!
- ◆ **Registration for Netta Day Camp Summer 2026 is now open!** This faith-based day camp for ages 6–12 offers outdoor fun like canoeing, archery, swimming, and more in a safe, engaging environment. Learn more at: <https://massanettasprings.org/nettadaycamp>.
- ◆ **The Shenandoah Valley Choral Society**, directed by Curtis Nolley, presents its 55th annual Spring concert, “When Music Sounds,” on April 10 at 7:30 pm and April 12 at 3:00 pm at Bridgewater Church of the Brethren. The program features Gounod’s *St. Cecilia Mass* and works by Rutter, Arnesen, and others. Tickets: \$15 adults, \$12 seniors/students—available at the door. For more information, go to: singshenandoah.org.
- ◆ **Spring Clean-Up Day – April 25 | Massanetta Springs:** Join us on April 25th from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm for Massanetta Springs’ annual Spring Clean-Up Day—rain or shine! Volunteers of all ages are encouraged to participate in a wide range of indoor and outdoor projects as we prepare the campus for summer. Lunch will be served at noon. Whether you can come for the whole day or just a few hours, your help is truly valued. **Please RSVP for lunch by calling (540) 434-3829. For questions, contact Doug Smith at (540) 705-5862.**

In observance of Easter Monday, the church office will be closed on Monday, April 6. Regular office hours will resume on Tuesday, April 7, at 9:00 a.m.

This Week At MPC

Sunday, April 5 - Easter Sunday

- 9:00 am Easter Breakfast (FH)
- 9:45 am Easter Egg Hunt
- 10:30 am Easter Worship

No Sunday School or Youth Programs

Monday, April 6 - Easter Monday

Church Office Closed

- 5:00 pm Cub Scouts (FH)
- 7:00 pm Massanutten Ringers (HBR)

Tuesday, April 7

- 10:30 am PW CT Meeting (L)
- 4:30 pm Comm. Task Force Meeting (L)

Wednesday, April 8

- 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 Meeting (L)
- 6:00 pm Personnel Comm. Meeting (L)
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal (200)

Thursday, April 9

- 9:00 am Preschool (FH)
- 10:00 am Thurs. Morn. Circle (L)

Thursday, April 9 - (Continued)

- 4:30 pm Mosaic (HBR)
- 6:00 pm Cub Scouts (108, 119)
- 7:00 pm Food Pantry

Friday, April 10

Church Office Closed

- 6:30 pm Dance Group (FH)

Saturday, April 11

Church Office Closed

- 8:30 am CPR Adult/ Pediatric Class (FH/ GA)

Sunday, April 12

- 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
Recorder Rehearsal (200)
- 1:00 pm Recorder Rehearsal (200)
- 3:00 pm PNC Meeting (L)
- 4:00 pm Cub Scouts (108, 119)
- 5:00 pm Fun with Handbells (HBR)
- 6:00 pm Youth Group (FH)

Serving April 2 - Maundy Thursday

- Door Monitor:** Harvey Mast
- Greeters:** Doug Smith
- Ushers & Water Pourers:** N/A
- Nursery:** No Nursery

Serving April 3 - Good Friday

- Door Monitor:** Skip Wissinger
- Greeters:** Deb Thompson
- Ushers & Water Pourers:** N/A
- Nursery:** No Nursery

Serving April 5 - Easter Sunday

- Door Monitor:** Robin Reed
- Greeters:** Tom and Gina Holden
- Ushers & Water Pourers:** Larry and Pam French
- Faith Village & Middle School:** No Faith Village or Middle School Sunday School (Spring Break)
- HS Breakfast:** No High School Breakfast (Spring Break)
- Godly Play:** No Godly Play
- Nursery:** Katie Rodgers and Diann Reed
- Youth Group:** No Evening Youth Group (Spring Break)

We Tell the Story

Scripture Reading

Mark 14:43-52

Time of Confession

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*responsive*)

For every time you asked us to stay with you, and we wandered away,

forgive us.

For every time we fell asleep on the job of being your disciples,

forgive us.

For every time we boasted of our loyalty, yet crept away, betrayed, or denied you,

forgive us.

For every time we hear this story, and think "we would do better,"

forgive us.

For every time we meet your faithfulness, with faithlessness,

forgive us.

God, your love for us is unfathomably deep,
that you would take all our failures, and still love us as friends.

May we take the gift of your forgiveness,
and share it with the world that you made and loved so much.

(Time for silent reflection)

Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness (*responsively*)

Friends, the story we tell tonight is a story of the deepest love;
love that would offer forgiveness even to the traitor at its right hand.

The bread was for us; the cup, for us; the cross, for us;
we are forgiven, not easily, but the hard way.

We are forgiven, not cheaply, but wholly.

We are forgiven, and we are freed.

Praise be to God! Amen.

We Tell the Story

Scripture Reading

Mark 14:53-65

*What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul, what wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dreadful curse for
my soul, for my soul, to bear the dreadful curse for my soul!*

*When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down, when I was sinking down,
sinking down, when I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown, Christ laid
aside his crown for my soul, for my soul, Christ laid aside his crown for my soul!*

We Tell the Story

Scripture Reading

Mark 14:66-72

We Go out to Wait for the Dawn

Stripping of the Chancel with Solo

This Is the Night

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Benediction

This liturgy is titled "From Table to Trial." It was written by Rev. Laura Holbrook Prickett. It was provided for free distribution by the *Presbyterian Outlook*.



CPR/AED Training Class: On March 11, an email was sent about an upcoming Adult/Pediatric CPR class offered at MPC by the Safety Team, with Bill Frazier as the instructor. Those who expressed interest should have received a follow-up email with two possible training dates in April. If you did not receive that email, please contact Ashlea at the church office at (540) 434-6194 or via email at office@massanuttenchurch.org. **If you signed up but are no longer interested or no longer need the training, please let us know either way!**

Congregational Concerns

We Pray for Our Church Family...

Bill Painter, Patricia Armstrong (receiving treatment for a GIST tumor), **Sharon Pafford** (receiving treatment for cancer), **Don Enslin** (cancer), **Bettye Davis** (receiving treatment for cancer), **Mary Morris** (recovering from hip replacement surgery), **Ashley Gordon-Becker** (upcoming surgery), **Adele Durost** (cancer), **Bill Dent** (recovering from fall).

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; **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; baby **Amelia**, granddaughter of a friend of Deidre Lenderking; **Amanda Phillips and family** (house fire), cousin of Pastor Keith; **Tom and Tassie Pipperts** (son, Tim, died Mar. 25th), neighbors of Jennifer Davis.

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 DeGaine, 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); **Elizabeth Lee Davis**, daughter of Marc & Nancy Davis (Tampa); **Dan Balch**, grandson-in-law of Harry and Jean Pettit, (Navy, Japan).