

Massanutten Presbyterian Church Session

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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
Day of Pentecost

May 24, 2026

10:30 a.m.

**An asterisk denotes an invitation to stand*

We Gather at God's Call

Introit *Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song* - Daw

Greeting and Pouring of the Water

Prelude *Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling* - Burkhardt

*Call to Worship Nancy Davis, Worship Leader

Remember the promise of the Lord:

God will pour out the Spirit on all flesh.

The Spirit helps us in our weakness,

interceding with sighs too deep for words.

The Spirit of God renews the earth.

Bless the name of the Lord!

*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*)

**Infinite God, you come to us in many colors, shapes, and languages.
You speak to each of us in the way we can understand.
You reach out to us and meet us where we are.**

**But we are quick to limit you
to what we can understand and control.**

**Forgive us, and set your Spirit loose among us.
Challenge us, surprise us, and open us to your power,
that we might know you more deeply,
follow you more faithfully, and love more fully. Amen.**

*Assurance of Forgiveness (*responsively*)

Scripture is clear: everyone who calls
on the name of the Lord will be saved.

God draws us together, offering salvation, forgiveness,
and new life to all.

Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

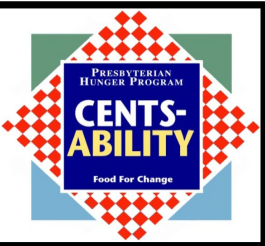
*Response of Praise

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah! (refrain)

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***Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!***

Introduction to Four Cents a Meal



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 and far. 25% of what's received will remain at MPC. 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.

Four Cents a Meal Offering

Give Thanks

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***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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give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son.***

***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!"***

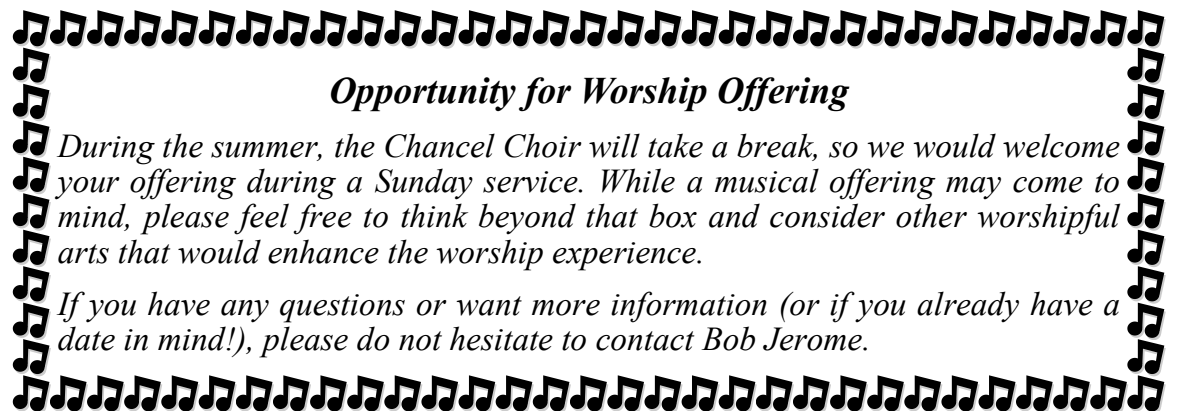


REMINDER: ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

There will be no Adult Sunday School Class from May 24th through June 21st. The Adult Summer Sunday School Class will begin on June 28th and run through August 23rd, meeting in the Fellowship Hall. More information to come!

Life at Massanutten

- ⇒ **Men's Prayer Group Reminder:** The Men's Prayer Group will meet on Wednesday, May 27, at 7:00 a.m. at The Highlands at Sunnyside. Rich Armstrong will be treating the group to breakfast and will greet everyone at the entrance to The Highlands.
- ⇒ **Save the Date: Community Life Events** Mark your calendars for two upcoming Community Life events! Join us for an **Ice Cream Social at Smiley's Ice Cream in Bridgewater on Sunday, June 14, at 3:00 pm.** Then, save the date for a gathering at **Brix and Columns Vineyard on Sunday, July 26.** More information will be shared soon!
- ⇒ **Mark Your Calendars for the Annual Book/Bake/Yard Sale!** Are you looking for good books to read, to do some spring cleaning, or to enjoy a tasty treat – all while helping to raise money for us to purchase school supplies, earphones, and backpacks for children of our Food Pantry? Our Annual Book/Bake/Yard Sale will give you those opportunities! It will take place on **Saturday, June 27th, from 7am – noon.** Folks participating in the yard sale are asked to make a \$15 donation. We also are seeking donations of baked goods or books. For more details, please contact Sally Brown at sbrown47@gmail.com.



Opportunity for Worship Offering

During the summer, the Chancel Choir will take a break, so we would welcome your offering during a Sunday service. While a musical offering may come to mind, please feel free to think beyond that box and consider other worshipful arts that would enhance the worship experience.

If you have any questions or want more information (or if you already have a date in mind!), please do not hesitate to contact Bob Jerome.

Remember and Honor Memorial Day:

*The church office will be closed on
Monday, May 25, in observance of Memorial Day.
We wish you a blessed and safe Memorial Day.*

This Week At MPC

Sunday, May 24 - Pentecost

10:30 am Worship
VBS Volunteer Orientation
after worship (FH)
3:00 pm PNC Meeting (L)
4:00 pm Cub Scouts (108, 119)

Monday, May 25 - Memorial Day

*Church Office Closed -
Holiday*

Tuesday, May 26

4:30 pm Communications Task
Force Meeting (L)

Wednesday, May 27

7:00 am Men's Prayer Group (SS)
12:00 pm "LOL" Lunch Grp (GA)
5:30 pm "Deep Dive" Bible Study
(L)

Thursday, May 28

9:00 am "Home Alone" Group
(FH/KIT)
4:30 pm Mosaic (HBR)
6:00 pm Cub Scouts (108, 119)

Friday, May 29

Church Office Closed

Saturday, May 30

Church Office Closed
10:00 am VBS Volunteer Orientation
& Decorating (FH)

Sunday, May 31

9:15 am Choir Rehearsal (200)
10:30 am Worship - Installation/
Ordination of Elders
VBS Decorating
after worship
3:00 pm PNC Meeting (L)
4:00 pm Cub Scouts (108, 119)

Serving May 24

Door Monitor: Dick Leecy

Greeter:
Karen Leecy

Ushers & Water Pourers:
Greg and Ann Trobaugh

Nursery:
Katie Rodgers and Holly Veenis

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will resume in the fall.
We hope you enjoy your summer!*

Serving May 31

Door Monitor: Harvey Mast

Greeters:
Ric and JoAnn Leobold

Ushers & Water Pourers:
Tim and Susan Russell

Nursery:
Katie Rodgers and Holly Veenis

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will resume in the fall.
We hope you enjoy your summer!*

*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

Hannah Altman

Anthem

Come, Holy Spirit Heavenly Dove

- Cox/Lindh

*Come, Holy Spirit, heav'nly Dove, With all your quick'ning powers;
Kindle a flame of sacred love In these cold hearts of ours.
See how we trifle here below, Fond of our earthly toys;
Come, Holy Spirit, heav'nly Dove.*

*Our souls, how heavily they go, To reach eternal joys.
In vain we tune our formal songs, In vain we strive to rise;
Hosannas languish on our tongues, And our devotion dies.
Come, Holy Spirit, heav'nly Dove, With all your quick'ning powers;
Kindle a flame of sacred love In these cold hearts of ours.*

*Come, Holy Spirit, fill these hearts of ours.
Come, Holy Spirit, Come, Holy Spirit, Come Holy Spirit,
Come, Holy Spirit. Come, Holy Spirit.*

Scripture

Acts 2:1-21; John 14:15-17, 25-27

Sermon

Pastor Keith Phillips

We Respond to God's Word

*Affirmation of Faith (*unison*)

From *The Confession of 1967*

**God the Holy Spirit fulfills the work of reconciliation in human life.
The Holy Spirit creates and renews the church as the community
in which people are reconciled to God and to one another.**

**The Spirit enables people to receive forgiveness
as they forgive one another and to enjoy the peace of God
as they make peace among themselves.**

**In spite of their sin, the Spirit gives people power
to become representatives of Jesus Christ
and his gospel of reconciliation to all.**

Invitation to Offering

Song of Thanksgiving *Praise to God the Father* 605

*Praise to God the Father; praise to God the Son;
praise to God the Spirit: praise to the Three-in-One.
Sing praise, sing praise to the Lord on high.
Praise to God Almighty; praise to the Holy One.*

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 *We Are One in the Spirit* 300

*We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord;
we are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord,
and we pray that all unity may one day be restored:*

Refrain:

*And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

*We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand;
we will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand,
and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land: (Refrain)*

*We will work with each other; we will work side by side;
we will work with each other; we will work side by side,
and we'll guard human dignity and save human pride: (Refrain)*

*All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,
and all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son,
and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one: (Refrain)*

*Benediction

*Benediction Response *Spirit of the Living God* 288

*Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.*

Congregational Concerns

We Pray for Our Church Family...

***Bill Painter, Patricia Armstrong* (receiving treatment for a GIST tumor), **Don Enslin** (cancer), **Bettye Davis** (receiving treatment for cancer), **Mary Morris** (recovering from hip replacement surgery), **Ashley Gordon-Becker** (recovering from recent surgery), **Adele Durost** (cancer), **Bill & Judy Dent** (recent move), **Doug Pafford** (grief and recent move).**

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; **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; **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; baby **Amelia**, granddaughter of a friend of Deidre Lenderking; **Amanda Phillips and family** (house fire), cousin of Pastor Keith; **Lynda Coffelt** (mother of Jason Coffelt).

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 Extend Sympathy to ...

*The family of **Glenda Stickley**, who died on May 1st. Glenda's memorial service will be on Thursday, May 28th, at 11:00 a.m., at the Sunnyside Meredith Chapel.*

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).