

PLEASE CONTINUE TO BE IN PRAYER FOR OUR SUMMER TRIP PARTICIPANTS:

Massanetta Middle School Conference June 18-21:

Avery Scheidt, Avery Roberts, Lorelei Robinette, Pippa Robinette, Adeline Gray,
Norah Markowitz; Adult Leaders: Gus Scheidt, Hannah Altman

Raleigh Youth Mission Trip (YMCo) July 5-11:

Avery Scheidt, Avery Roberts, Carolina Rascoe, Riley Scheidt,
Hannah Markowitz, Paige Hargens, Ainsley Hargens, Kristen Enslin;
Adult Leaders: Sarah Rimer, Gus Scheidt

Massanutten Presbyterian Church Session

Class of 2027	Class of 2028	Class of 2029
David Allen (ND)	Gina Holden (ND)	John Davis (W)
Kathy Frakes (W)	Jean Kilby (W)	Linda Knupp (A)
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A = Administration & Finance, CL = Community Life,
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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
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 21, 2026

10:30 a.m.

**An asterisk denotes an invitation to stand*

We Gather at God's Call

Greeting and Pouring of the Water

Prelude *Meditation on Beautiful Savior* - Wood

*Call to Worship
God, may all the nations you have made
come and glorify your name.
God, you do wondrous things
for you alone God, are Great.

*Hymn *There Is a Longing in Our Hearts* 470
Everyone sings the refrain. A leader sings the verses.

Refrain:
There is a longing in our hearts, O Lord,
for you to reveal yourself to us.
There is a longing in our hearts for love
we only find in you, our God.

Verse 1: ***For justice, for freedom, for mercy: hear our prayer.***
In sorrow, in grief: be near; hear our prayer, O God. (Refrain)

Verse 2: ***For wisdom, for courage, for comfort: hear our prayer.***
In weakness, in fear: be near; hear our prayer, O God. (Refrain)

Verse 3: ***For healing, for wholeness, for new life: hear our prayer.***
In sickness, in death: be near; hear our prayer, O God. (Refrain)

Verse 4: ***Lord save us, take pity, Light in our darkness.***
We call you; we wait: be near; hear our prayer, O God. (Refrain)

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession (*unison*)
The world is a noisy place,
and we often let our voices be silenced.

O merciful God, we do not mean to quiet the words about your love.
We say we do not have the right words, or someone else can do it.
We let fear dominate our hearts, and we know we have nothing to fear.

Help us, God, not to let rejection of your good news
stand in the way of our sharing it.
Help us, God, to speak with joy and hope
in a world that values power over love.

A time of silent prayer is kept

Amen.

*Assurance of Forgiveness (*responsively*)
We have confessed.
We are forgiven.
Amen.
Amen.

*Response of Praise *O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer (v. 2)* 439

*God forgives all your transgressions,
all diseases gently heals;
God redeems you from destruction,
and with you so kindly deals.*

*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 for Illumination *I Love to Tell the Story (v. 1)* 462

*I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true;
it satisfies my longings as nothing else could do.*

*I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.*

Life at Massanutten

- ⇒ **The “Deep Dive” Bible Study** will meet on Wednesday, June 24th, at 5:30 pm. This group explores scripture and other faith-related books in depth, fostering discussions that deepen understanding of the truths the Holy Spirit conveys. Participants should be prepared to consider and wrestle with interpretations of scripture that may challenge their existing beliefs. For more information, please see Ron Matthews or David Allen.
- ⇒ **The Annual Book/Bake/Yard Sale is this Saturday!** 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 this **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.
- ⇒ Join us for an **Ice Cream Social at Smiley’s Ice Cream in Bridgewater next Sunday, June 28, 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!
- ⇒ The Administration and Finance Commission is proud to award scholarships to **Ainsley Hargens, Ruth Rascoe, Anna Richardson, and Riley Scheidt**. Each of these youth has recently graduated from Spotswood High School. Ainsley and Riley will enter Roanoke College. Ruth will enter the College of William and Mary, and Anna will enter James Madison University.
- ⇒ **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.
- ⇒ **Special Announcement**—English Country Dancing will meet on the third Friday of each month, **starting in July!** Mark your calendars for **July 17th**. For questions, please contact Tom Mack at (540) 244-4233.

 **Safety Message:** Do not unlock or prop open the exterior doors. A door monitor from your group should let people in and latecomers can use the door bell.

This Week At MPC Sunday, June 21 - Father's Day 10:30 am Worship 3:00 pm PNC Meeting (L) Monday, June 22 5:00 pm Admin. Commission (L) Tuesday, June 23 9:00 am Legacy Board Meeting (L) 4:00 pm Communications Team Meeting (L) Wednesday, June 24 7:30 am Men's Prayer Group (FH) 12:00 pm "LOL" Lunch Grp (GA) 5:30 pm Deep Dive Bible Study (L) Thursday, June 25	Friday, June 26 <i>Church Office Closed</i> 2:00 pm Mission & Service Commission Meeting (L) Saturday, June 27 <i>Church Office Closed</i> 7:00 am Book, Bake, & Yard Sale Sunday, June 28 9:00 am Summer Adult Sunday School Class (FH) 10:30 am Worship Session Meeting after Worship 3:00 pm Ice Cream Social (Smiley's) PNC Meeting (L)
Serving June 21 - Father's Day Door Monitor: Harvey Mast Greeters: Bill and Sharon Lam Ushers & Water Pourers: Keith and Linda Knupp Nursery: Katie Rodgers and Holly Veenis <i>The children and youth programs will resume in the fall. We hope you enjoy your summer!</i>	Serving June 28 Door Monitor: Jack Rimer Greeters: Jeannie Sutherland and Jody Humphreys Ushers & Water Pourers: Deb Thompson and Clayton Robertson Nursery: Katie Rodgers and Erin Basgier <i>The children and youth programs will resume in the fall. We hope you enjoy your summer!</i>

Guest Preacher Bio

*This Sunday, we welcome the **Rev. Melissa L. Harmon**. Rev. Harmon is a native of Richmond, VA. She came to the Valley in 2008 to pastor 3 churches in Highland County. She became a member at large in the presbytery in 2015. Melissa serves the church by doing pulpit supply and enjoys being able to worship with the churches of the Presbytery. Rev. Melissa and her wife live in Harrisonburg along with their 3 children. She works as a certified pharmacy technician for Sentara RMH. Melissa's hobbies include more crafts than should be listed unless this is a resume. She mainly does stained glass, embossed cards, and, when the garden produces, canning the harvest.*

Time with the Children

Pastor Keith Phillips

Special Music

A Quiet Faith
Carol Lown

- Logan

Scripture

Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17; Matthew 10:24-39

Sermon

“Scared”

Rev. Melissa L. Harmon

We Respond to God's Word

*Affirmation of Faith (unison)

From *The Iona Abbey Worship Book*

**We are not alone,
we live in God's world.**

We believe in God:

**who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.
We trust in God.**

We are called to be the Church:

**to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.**

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

Invitation to Offering

Song of Thanksgiving

For the Beauty of the Earth (v. 1)

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*For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies:
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.*

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 Jesus Calls Us 720

Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult
of our life's wild, restless sea;
day by day his sweet voice soundeth
saying, "Christian, follow me."

Jesus calls us from the worship
of the vain world's golden store,
from each idol that would keep us,
saying, "Christian, love me more."

In our joys and in our sorrows,
days of toil and hours of ease,
still he calls, in cares and pleasures,
"Christian, love me more than these."

Jesus calls us: by thy mercies,
Savior, may we hear thy call,
give our hearts to thy obedience,
serve and love thee best of all.

*Benediction

*Benediction Response Go, My Children, with My Blessing (v. 3) 547

“Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.
Here my Spirit’s power filled you;
here my tender comfort stilled you.
Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.”

Congregational Concerns

We Pray for Our Church Family...

Patricia Armstrong (receiving treatment for a GIST tumor), Don Enslin (cancer, recovering from infection), Bettye Davis (receiving treatment for cancer), Mary Morris (recovering from hip replacement surgery), Ashley Gordon-Becker (recovering from recent surgery), Adele Durost (recovering from pancreatitis and gallbladder surgery, cancer), Bill Painter (recovering from pneumonia & an infection).

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; June Kofford family concern, currently in home health care, sister 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; Tony (brain tumor), friend 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 Brockhoff (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; Amanda Phillips and family (house fire), cousin of Pastor Keith; Lynda Coffelt (mother of Jason Coffelt); Katherine Sorensen (broken pelvis), daughter of Frank and Jean Gearing; Viki Lynch (detached retina), friend of Diann Reed; Jeff Wilson (hospitalized in very serious condition after a 50-foot fall while rock climbing in Italy), friend of Helen Groves; Dr. Jennifer Aycock (Prayer for teaching and travel at Zomba Theological University in Malawi, Church of Central Africa Presbyterian, June 6 - August 10); Rosemary Davidson (complications from surgery), mother-in-law of Deidre Lenderking’s daughter; Doug Joyner (cancer), great uncle of Pastor Keith.

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...

Frank Overstreet, grandson-in-law of Helen Groves (Middle East); Jackie DeGaîne, daughter-in-law of Ka & Mike Guinn (Fort Jackson, SC); Justin Brockhoff, nephew of Jan Reser (recently moved from Germany back to the United States); 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).