Church Directory

PO Box 144, Fincastle VA 24090 (540) 473-2042 www.fincastlepresbyterian.org

THE SESSION

Moderator: The Reverend Dr. Iain S. Maclean Clerk of Session: John Kilby

2016

Lynne Bolton, John Graham, John Hancock

2017

Bruce Bulmer, Debbie Coots, Gwen Griffith

2018

Kip Burton, Sandy Gates, Dick Woodard

TRUSTEES

Bob Omer, Garland Jones, Peggy Davis

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Moderator: Marcia Helms Vice-Moderator: Gwen Griffith

Secretary: Leigh Anne Martin Treasurer: Nancy Pauley

Historian: Connie Miles

THE CHURCH STAFF

Minister: The Reverend Dr. Iain S. Maclean Minister Emeritus: Dr. Edgar Mayse Treasurer: Barbara Hancock Organist and Choir Director: Evelyn Renshaw

Secretary/Bookkeeper: Georgia Fuller

Office Hours:

Monday & Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Friday: 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

THE CHURCH CALENDAR

Nursery available on Sunday mornings & during special events Children's church during service Sunday

Please contact Georgia, 540-473-2042 or secretary@fincastlepresbyterian.org by Wednesday with items you want included in the bulletin.

The Presbyterian Church at Fincastle, Virginia, whose congregation dates to 1763, is a continuation of the Sinking Spring and Spreading Spring congregations formed prior to 1760 and the Mt. Union congregation organized in 1832. The original building was erected in 1771 for the established Church of England in Botetourt County.

Fincastle Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day Christmas Day December 25th, 2016 - 10:30 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude: "What Child is This?" Traditional English Melody

Choral Introit #126 "O Come, Let Us Adore Him"

Sung by the Congregation

Call to Worship

Minister: There is good news of great joy for all;

All: Our Savior is born, the Messiah, the Lord.

Minister: Glory to God in the highest

All: And peace to God's people on earth.

Prayer of Invocation

Lighting of the Advent Candle "The Christ Candle"

Joel & Ann Branscom & sons, Gardner & Bryce

*Hymn# 173 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

Prayer of Confession:

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts; Cleanse us from our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son.

Silent Confession

Kyrie #823 "Lord, Have Mercy upon Us"

Lord, have mercy upon us, Christ, have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Pardon:

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. May the God of mercy, who forgives you all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

*Gloria Patri # 805

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Offering: "I Wonder as I Wander" Traditional Appalachian Carol Sung by Barbara Woodard, soloist

*Doxology # 809

*Prayer of Dedication

Children's Time

*Hymn # 164 "Silent Night, Holy Night"

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading:

Isaiah 52:7-10 Kip Burton Pg. 633

John 1:1-14 Pg. 922

Sermon: "The Light Shines" Dr. Iain Maclean

*Profession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

*Hymn # 171 "Hark the Herald Angels Sing"

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude: "Adest Fidelis"

*Standing

Announcements December 25th, 2016

Welcome to all who worship with us today. If you are a visitor, please fill out a visitor card that is in your pew and put it in the collection plate or give to an Elder. All members, friends and visitors please join us after church in the Fellowship Hall for coffee and refreshments.

Prayer Concerns: Betsy Holt, JoAnn Lowdon, Mary Myers, Rachel DeHaven (David's mother), Clyde Givens, Al and Ruth Frederick, Jean Branscom, Chris Fowler (friend of Becky Downs), David DeHaven, Tina Haxton, Laura Holt, Ray & Jesse Schneider (friends of Iain), Marshall Gates, Wayne Wright (father & father-in-law of Randy & Lisa), Dan & Dawn (friends of the Burtons), Chris Rannells (friend of Jim & Sue Porter) and Leon Tomblin

Duty Elder: Kip Burton

All Children are invited to participate in Children's Time. Afterwards, smaller children may go to the staffed nursery and older children may attend Children's Church upstairs.

Rescue Mission Items for December: Jelly & Jam

Botetourt Food Pantry: Always needs laundry detergent. They cannot use funds for this. This may also be left in Fellowship Hall.

YTD Financial Report through November 2016 Income: \$92,949 Expenses: \$89,117

Schedule of Events

Annual Soup Drive for Seniors through February 6, 2017. The goal is 3500 cans. Leave donations in the Fellowship Hall. This drive is from our Local Office on Aging

<u>Church Office will be closed</u> December 26th through January 2nd. Church office hours will be Tuesday & Wednesday January 3rd & 4th 10:00 to 4:30 & Friday January 6th 11:00 – 2:00.

Activities at Fincastle Presbyterian Church

Bell Choir

For information please contact Debbie Coots at 540-588-5925.

We are actively seeking handbell players. You do not have to have any experience as a musician, only enthusiasm.

Presbyterian Women

Presbyterian Women's Group information please contact Marcia Helms at 540-581-5828, mohelms123@hotmail.com or Gwen Griffith at 540-966-4255, gwengriffith42@gmail.com

Youth Group

Middle & Senior High Youth Group will meet every other Sunday Evening from 5pm to 7pm in the Fellowship Hall. Dinner will be provided. Join us and bring a friend.

Fincastle Presbyterian Church *Poinsettia Dedication*

In Memory of

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by Peggy Davis

Don Langford

by Dot Langford

Jack and Marie Bailey

by Fred & Debbie Coots

Ann Wood & Louise Griffith

by Brian & Delores Wood & Family

Dewey, Nellie & Ronnie Goad

by Mike & Cathy Goad

Jennifer Cross Omer

by Bob & Meg Omer

Harold Hilt & Martha Preston

by John Graham

Mike Koch

by Randy & Lisa Wright

Bill Branscom

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