Church Directory

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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

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 2nd Sunday of Advent December 4th, 2016 - 10:30 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude: "O Thou, of God the Father"

Walther

Call to Worship

Minister: "Maranatha, I am coming," says the Lord.

All: Amen, Come Lord Jesus!

Minister: A voice cries out in the wilderness,

All: "Repent and believe for the kingdom is near."

Prayer of Invocation

Lighting of the Advent Candle "Peace"

Alan & Carol Brenner, Henry & Pierce

*Hymn # 136 "On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry"

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:

Hymn # 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: "Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying" Hans Sachs Harmonization by J. S. Bach

*Doxology # 809

*Prayer of Dedication

Children's Time

*Hymn # 190 "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise" (v.1 and 2)

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading:

Isaiah 11:1-10 Dick Woodard

Pg. 595

Pg. 836

Matthew 3:1-12

"Standing Out for Jesus?"

Dr. Iain Maclean

*Profession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

*Hymn # 190 "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise" (v. 3 and 4)

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude: "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" Thomas Helmore

*Standing

Sermon:

Announcements December 4th, 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, Leon Tomblin, Laura Holt, Ray & Jesse Schneider (friends of Iain), Marshall Gates, Wayne Wright (father & father-in-law of Randy & Lisa) and Dan & Dawn (friends of the Burtons)

Duty Elder: Dick Woodard

Coffee Hour: Jim & Marcia Helms

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.

Thank you to the Church Decorators for making our "two" Sanctuaries so beautiful for the Advent Season. Thanks to Meg, Bob, Cathy, Mike, McKinley, Betty, Verna, Lyn, Kip, Carol, Alan, Barbara & Peggy. Thanks also to the Presbyterian Women for purchasing the pulpit wreath and to all the members who purchased poinsettias.

Our Angel Tree is in the Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions please call Verna Shuey (521-5857), Becky DesChamps (992-4722) or Ginnie Phillippe (473-1262). Bring gifts by 11:00, Sunday Dec 18th.

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.

I would like to help do	evelop a new	Mission	Statement:	
Sign Here				

<u>Christmas Card Donations</u> for prisoners at Regional jail to send to their family and friends. Collection box is in the Fellowship Hall. (Stamp donations are appreciated too).

<u>Annual Soup Drive for Seniors</u> through Feb 6, 2017. The goal is 3,500 cans. Leave your donations in the Fellowship Hall. This drive is from our Local Office on Aging.

Schedule of Events

<u>Sunday, December 11</u> Annual Celebration of <u>Lessons and</u> Carols during Sunday Morning Worship

<u>Tuesday, December 13</u> The <u>Presbyterian Women</u> will be meeting at Tizzone's at 6:00 p.m. Please join us for our Christmas Dinner and a little holiday fun.

Sunday, December 18 9:15 – 10:00 a.m. Come enjoy a Pancake Breakfast and Fellowship. Should the Worship Service need to be held in the Fellowship Hall, the breakfast will be cancelled.

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 and 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.

YTD Financial Report through Oct 2016 Income: \$85,397 Expenses: \$83,320 Fincastle Presbyterian Church *Poinsettia Dedication*

In Memory of

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Don Langford

by Dot Langford

Jack and Marie Bailey by Fred & Debbie Coots

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by Brian & Delores Wood & Family

Dewey, Nellie & Ronnie Goad

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