

Church Directory

PO Box 144, Fincastle VA 24090

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THE SESSION

Moderator: The Reverend Dr. Iain S. Maclean

Clerk of Session: John Kilby

2017

Bruce Bulmer, Debbie Coots, Gwen Griffith

2018

Kip Burton, Sandy Gates, Dick Woodard

2019

Hal Bailey, Becky Downs, Bob Omer

TRUSTEES

Bob Omer, Garland Jones, Peggy Davis

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Moderator: Marcia Helms *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.

Reverend Maclean Church Office Hours

Mondays: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Other Times by Appointment

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

THE CHURCH CALENDAR

Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

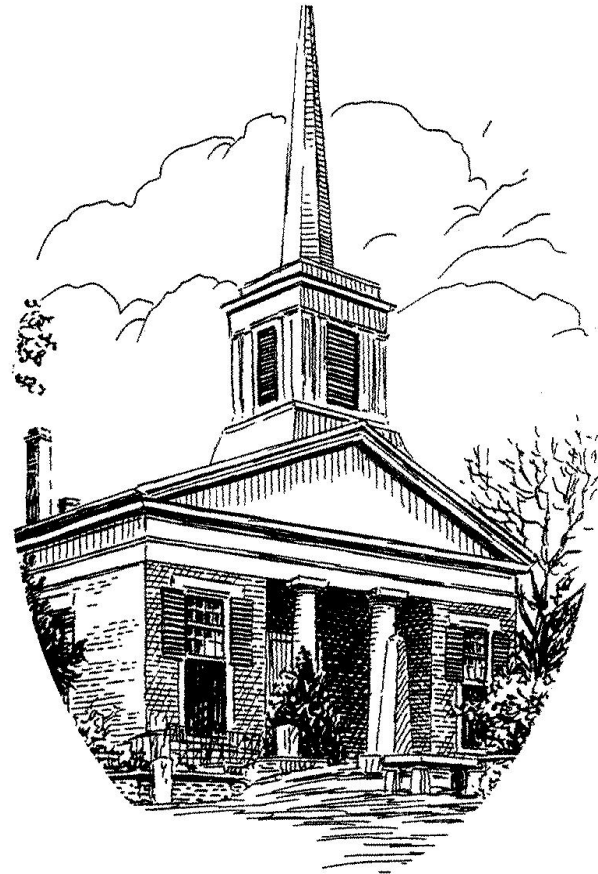
Nursery available and Children's church during service

Presbyterian Women 2nd Tuesday

Bell Choir. 12 p.m. every other Sunday

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



MISSION STATEMENT

*Striving to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ
Growing in God
Through uplifting and inspiring spiritual experiences
And serving our community in love*

Fincastle Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day

First Sunday in Lent

March 5th, 2017 - 10:30 a.m.

Prelude: *"In the Midst of Earthly Life"* Walcha

Welcome and Announcements

Choral Introit #479 *"O How He Loves You and Me!"*

Call to Worship

Minister: Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven,

All: Whose sin is covered.

Minister: Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity

All: And in whose spirit there is no deceit.

Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn # 622 *"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"*

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: *"Blessed Are They"* Michael Bedford
Sung by the Choir

*Doxology # 809

*Prayer of Dedication

Children's Time

*Hymn #193 *"O Love, How Deep, How Broad"* (v.1-4)

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading:

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7	Kip Burton	Pg. 2
Matthew 4:1-11		Pg. 837

Sermon *In the Beginning* Dr. Iain Maclean

*Profession of Faith: *The Apostles' Creed*

*Hymn # 561 *"Just a Closer walk with Thee"*

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude: *"Prelude in e minor"* J.S. Bach

*Standing

Announcements

March 5th, 2017

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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), Wayne Wright (father & father-in-law of Randy & Lisa), Dan & Dawn (friends of the Burton's), Leon Tomblin, Whitey Richardson and Peggy Davis

Would you like to volunteer on one of our committees? Please see the bulletin insert.

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 February: Deodorant & Razors

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 January 2017 Income: \$7481.20 Expenses: \$8201.39
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Schedule of Events

Sunday March 12 there will be a **2-Cents-A-Meal** Offering. Come prepared to give.

Tuesday, March 14 The **Presbyterian Women** will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 a.m.

Thursday, March 16 **Game Night** 7:00-9:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Thursday March 23 **Session Meeting** 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

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

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- Communications Chair: Sandy Gates
- Christian Education Chair: Kip Burton
- Congregational Care Chair: Bob Omer
- Fellowship Chair: Gwen Griffith
- Finance Chair: Becky Downs
- Missions Chair: Debbie Coots
- Personnel Chair: Dick Woodard
- Property Chair: Bruce Bulmer
- Worship Chair: Hal Bailey

Please check the committee for which you would like to volunteer.

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

111th Stated Presbytery Meeting Summary February 18, 2017

- **THANK YOU** to First Presbyterian Church, Lynchburg for hosting!
- We welcomed 183 people to our gathering.
- Thank you to Amanda Bowman, Candidate under care of Newton Presbytery for sharing God's Word from Isaiah 45:1-7 on 'Love is Sovereign'. Thank you also to Peter Thompson, TE, First and Dick Boswell, CRE, for officiating at communion. Thank you too to Dr. Don Miller, RE and Dr. Roberta Miller, RE Lynchburg for their faithful reading of the Necrology.
- Our business began with the adoption of the **Consent Agenda** in which we approved:
 - Pam Claterbaugh, RE, Green Ridge to serve as Recording Clerk for POP meetings in 2017.
 - The call of Amanda Bowman as Validated Minister for New Century Hospice, Farmville effective 03-01-17.
 - Rev. Patrick Pettit, member of Shenandoah Presbytery to labor with the bounds of POP as Interim Minister at McAllister Memorial Church 01-01-17 to 12-31-17
 - The request of Rev. Dr. Nancy Dawson to dissolve her relationship as General Presbytery and to grant her request to be given Honorably Retired Status
 - The request of John Scholer to change his membership status from Minister-AT-Large to Honorably Retired Status

- The Interim Pastor contract between Rev. Bob Button and Forest Hills Presbyterian Church effective 01-01-17 to 12-31-17.
- We approved the 2017 Terms of Call for Presbytery Staff: Nancy Dawson, Jeff Binder, and Steve Earl.
- We approved the 2017 Presbytery Budget.
- We endorsed the recommendation of the Transitional General Presbytery Search Committee to hire Rev. Dr. Carl Utley as the Transitional General Presbyter for the Presbytery of the Peaks for a contract period of two years beginning on 05-01-17.
- We celebrated the 500th Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation with an educational discussion on the first of four Reformation Themes: The Sovereignty of God as it applies to ministry in the local church, the life of the individual believer and our witness to the world around us. Thank you Allison Unroe and Melissa McNair- King!
- We approved by unanimous vote each amendment to the Book of Order and the Directory for Worship.
- We heard a final report from our General Presbyter, Nancy Dawson who encouraged us to "*Celebrate the Journey now and Praise the Lord!*" (last line of hymn # 430 - "Come Sing O Church in Joy")
- We approved the examination of Amanda Hayes Bowman, Candidate under care of Newton Presbytery be sustained; pending her signing of the Book of Obligations, and that she be received as a member in good standing. We further approved that the ordination date, time and location of her ordination will be determined by COM and communicated to the Presbytery.
- We approved the examination of Eduardo Soto, member of Charlotte Presbytery, be sustained; pending his signing of the Book of Obligations, and that he be received as a member in good standing with the Presbytery of the Peaks to serve as Pastor at Altavista Presbyterian Church.
- We approved the terms of call for Ed Soto and recommended that COM be allowed to assign an Installation Commission to install Eduardo.
- We approved the examination of Robert Button, member of Abingdon Presbytery be sustained; pending his signing of the Book of Obligations, and that he be received as a member in good standing to serve as Interim Pastor at Forest Hills Presbyterian Church, Martinsville.
- We received the Report of the Joint Credentialing Task Force of the COM and the Committee on Preparation for Ministry for the Rev. Herndon Jeffreys, an ordained United Methodist Pastor in Good Standing. We approved by unanimous vote to waive the candidacy requirement for Herndon of membership in a Presbyterian Church congregation and to reduce the two-year minimum requirement as an Inquirer to Candidate status to seventeen months. We then approved that Rev. Herndon Jeffreys, an Inquirer be given status as a candidate for ministry, based on the POP evaluation of his fitness and readiness for a call to ministry requiring ordination.
- We recommended the Presbytery grant the Trustees permission to deal with the First Roanoke manse property in a way that best benefits the Presbytery, including the possible sale of the manse, should that be most prudent.
- We approved various people be elected to leadership positions.

- We recognized and celebrated the ministry of Alice Smith, former Recording Secretary of the Presbytery. President of the Trustees and member of Permanent Judicial Commission.
- We recognized and celebrated the ministry of Nancy Dawson as General Presbyter for the Presbytery of the Peaks.
- We recognized the 92 churches that support the two cents-a-meal Program.
- Together we collected \$461.49 for 2 cents a meal program.

UPCOMING PRESBYTERY MEETINGS & EVENTS

POP High School Winter Retreat, Feb. 25-26, 2017

POP Stated Meeting May 4, 2017 - Northminster Roanoke

POP Stated Meeting August 19, 2017 - Farmville

POP Stated Meeting November 16, 2017 - TBA

Contact the Presbytery office to be added to

Peaks Postings weekly newsletter.

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