

FINCASTLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Church Directory

PO Box 144, Fincastle VA 24090

(540) 473-2042

www.fincastlepresbyterian.org

THE SESSION

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

THE CHURCH STAFF

Minister Emeritus: Dr. Edgar Mayse

Treasurer: Becky Downs

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.

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

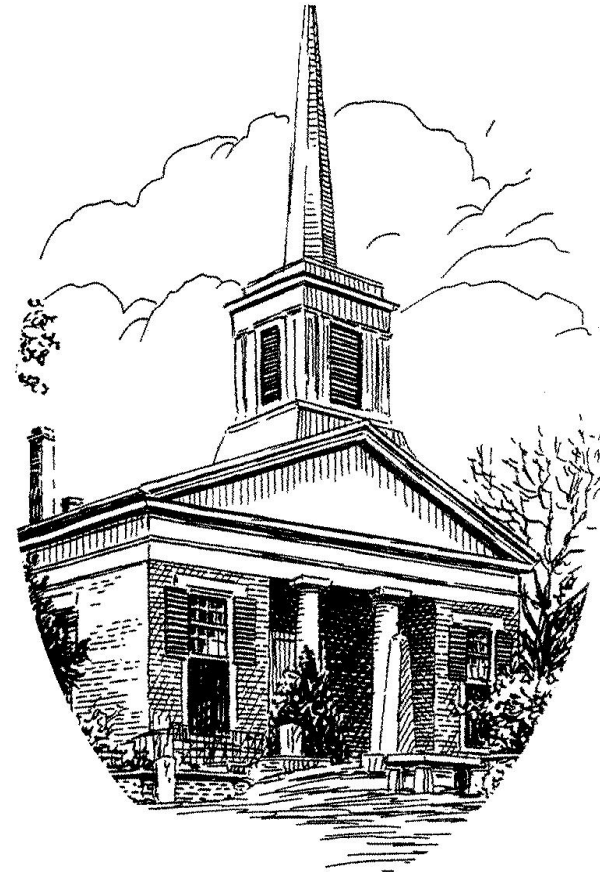
THE CHURCH CALENDAR

Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

Nursery available and Children's church during service

Session 4th Thursday

Bell Choir 12 p.m. every other Sunday



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

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. Presbyterians have worshipped here continuously since the Revolutionary War.

Fincastle Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day

15th Sunday after Pentecost

September 17th, 2017 - 10:30 a.m.

Prelude *"Dear Thou with me in mercy, Lord"* Walther
 "In peace and joy I now depart" J.C. Bach

Welcome and Announcements

Choral Introit #364 *"Jesus, Jesus, Jesus in the Morning"*

Call to Worship

Minister: O come, let us worship and bow down;

People: Let us kneel before the Lord our maker.

Minister: For he is our God;

People: And we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep
his hand.

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn # 517 *"The Solid Rock"*

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: *"We Are Gathered Here to Praise the Lord"* Beall/Carter
 Sung by the Choir

*Doxology # 809

*Prayer of Dedication

Children's Time

*Hymn #297 *"Spirit of the Living God"*

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading:

Proverbs 19:11 Debbie Coots Pg. 562

Matthew 18:21-35 Pg. 852

Sermon *"Called to Forgive, but How?"* The Rev. David Dickerson

*Profession of Faith: *The Apostles' Creed*

*Hymn #130 *"O For a Thousand Tongues"*

*Charge and Blessing

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

**Standing*

Announcements

September 17th, 2017

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.

Prayer Concerns: Carol Brenner, Betsy Holt, JoAnn Lowdon, Mary Myers, Al and Ruth Frederick, Jean Branscom, Chris Fowler (friend of Becky Downs), Laura Holt, Ray & Jesse Schneider (friends of Iain), Dawn (friend of the Burton's), Leon Tomblin, Mary Black, Iain's family, Eric Burton and Sandy Gates

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.

We welcome the Rev. David Dickerson to the pulpit again today. David is a recently retired PC (USA) minister who most recently served The Presbyterian Church of Radford, VA. Patsy, his wife, is still working as a math coach for the Montgomery County School System at Eastern Montgomery High School. They have recently moved to Fincastle to enjoy their retirement years here, there and everywhere.

A BIG thank you to Kip and Lyn Burton for hosting the church picnic! They provided a great venue for the 61 people who attended. It was an afternoon of good food, fellowship, and beautiful weather.

Duty Elder: Debbie Coots

Please call the office to schedule the use of our tables and chairs so we can be sure they are in the building when someone has signed up to use the Fellowship Hall.

The congregational Care Committee is organizing a way for us to take turns calling on the Rev. Edgar Mayse. We will be checking on his welfare and helping with any needs he may have. There is a signup sheet in the Fellowship Hall. Please plan to call him (after 12:00 noon) and perhaps take him out to lunch or dinner or drop off a meal at his house.

Rescue Mission Items for September: Medium Boxes & Pain Relievers (Tylenol, Ibuprofen, Naproxen)

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

Nursery Worker needed as Eva has gone to college. If you know of a teenager who would be interested in providing this service, please contact Kip @ 540-239-3184 or the church office.

Fellowship Hour Refreshments: If you would like to volunteer in providing refreshments (coffee, tea, juice, small food item) for the Fellowship Hour following the service, please sign up in the Fellowship Hall.

Schedule of Events

Monday, September 18 Women's Bible Study Group will begin. The time will be 10:00 a.m. **and** 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, 9/18, 10/2, 10/16, 10/30, 11/13, 11/20 and 12/4. We will be using *The Women of Christmas* by Liz Curtis

Monday, September 18 Church Office Hours 9:15 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Thursday, September 21 Game Night 7:00-9:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Thursday, September 28 Session Meeting

Sunday, October 1 Communion

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.

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September Birthdays Clyde Givens, September 8; John Kilby, September 10; George Sydnor, September 11; Jesse Wood, September 13; Verna Shuey, September 18; Carol Brenner, September 30; Sarah Bulmer, September 30

YTD Financial Report through August 2017 Income: \$71,468 Expenses: \$58,736
