

FINCASTLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Church Directory

PO Box 144, Fincastle VA 24090
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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.

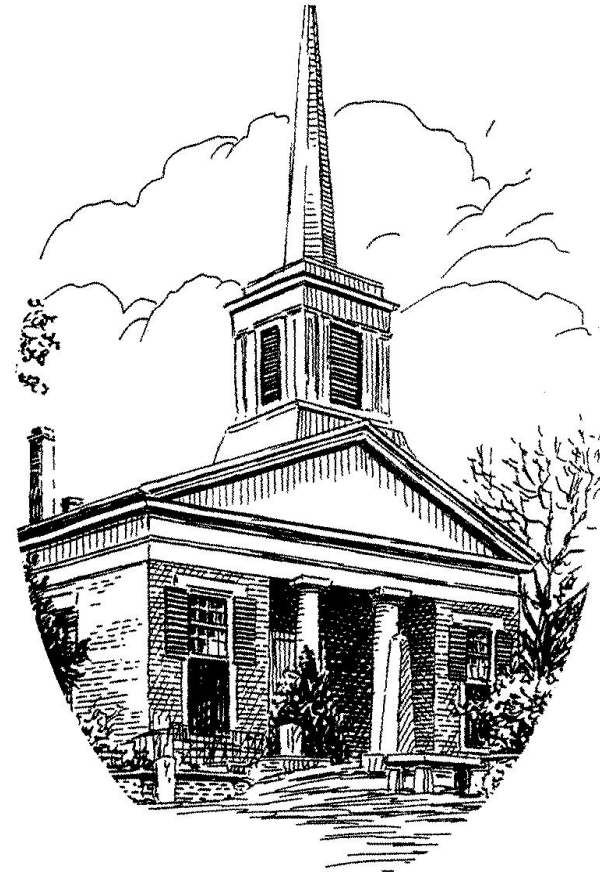
THE CHURCH CALENDAR

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

23rd Sunday after Pentecost

November 12th, 2017 - 10:30 a.m.

Prelude "America the Beautiful"

Bell Choir

Choral Introit #345 "Alleluia"

Call to Worship

Leader: O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel
before the Lord our maker.

**People: For he is our God; and we are the people of his
pasture, and the sheep of his hand.**

Leader: Praise the Lord.

People: The Lord's name be praised.

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn #248 "He Lives"

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: "Peace in Our Time" by: George Elvey arr: Peter de Mets
Bell Choir

*Doxology # 809

*Prayer of Dedication

Children's Time

*Hymn #97 "He Is Lord"

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading:

Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25	Kip Burton	Pg. 206
Matthew 25:1-13		Pg. 860

Sermon "Keeping Awake!" The Rev. David Dickerson
(Living in a spirit of preparedness, hope and expectation)

*Profession of Faith: *The Apostles' Creed*

*Hymn #532 "Be Thou My Vision"

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude: "All men living are but mortal" Pachelbel

*Standing

Announcements

November 12th, 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. All members, friends and visitors please join us after church in the Fellowship Hall for refreshments.

Prayer Concerns: Carol Brenner, JoAnn Lowdon, Mary Myers, Al and Ruth Frederick, Jean Branscom, Chris Fowler (friend of Becky Downs), Laura Holt, Dawn (friend of the Burton's), Chuck Geiger, Leon Tomblin and Sandra Sue Bolton

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.

Duty Elder: Kip Burton

Coffee Hour: Verna Shuey

Poinsettia Dedication Sign-Up is now available. If you would like to order a poinsettia in honor of or in memory of your loved one(s), please do so by signing up on the poinsettia sheet in the Fellowship Hall. The orders must be placed no later than November 26. The price per poinsettia is \$14.00. Please make checks payable to FPC and put "poinsettia" in the memo line. The poinsettias will be displayed in the Sanctuary during our Advent season. You may also email Georgia at secretaryfincastlepresbyterian@gmail.com to place your order.

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 November: Salt, Pepper, Sugar, Mayonnaise

Botetourt Food Pantry: laundry detergent is always needed. 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.

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.

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.

Upcoming Events

Monday, November 13 Church Office will be closed. Office hours will be November 15, 16 and 17.

Monday, November 13 Women's Bible Study Group 10:00 a.m. **and** 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, November 14 Legal Rx and Opioids - A Community Conversation: By Botetourt Prevention Coalition 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Fincastle Baptist Church

Sunday, November 19 Special Interim Welcoming Service for the Rev. David Dickerson followed by a reception. Please join us!

Tuesday, November 21 Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service Fincastle United Methodist Church at 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 30 Session Meeting

Sunday, December 10 Service of Lessons & Carols

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.

Women's Bible Study Group

We will meet Mondays 11/13, 11/20 and 12/4. 10:00 a.m. **and** 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall and will be using *The Women of Christmas* by Liz Curtis Higgs.

November Birthdays Garland Jones, November 3; Jim Porter, November 26; Taylore Sydnor, November 28