

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.

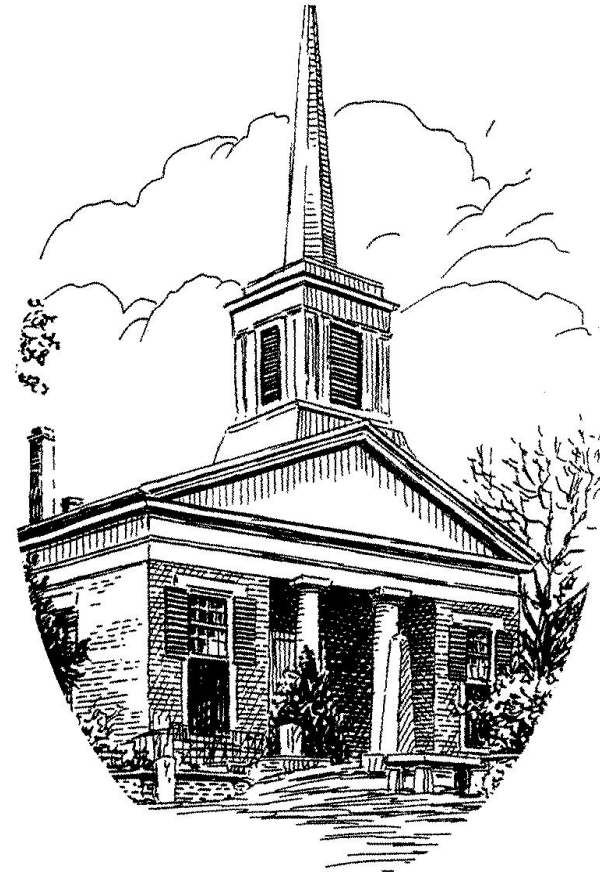
THE CHURCH CALENDAR

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

19th Sunday after Pentecost

October 15th, 2017 - 10:30 a.m.

Prelude "Prelude in D Major" Fischer

Welcome and Announcements

Choral Introit #436 "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love"

Call to Worship

Leader: Let us worship God. Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: Who made heaven and earth.

Leader: God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself - not counting their sins against them -

People: And has commissioned us with the message of reconciliation.

Leader: Praise the Lord.

People: The Lord's name be praised.

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn # 745 "Jesus Shall Reign"

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: "Thanks Be to God" Beall/Carter
Sung by the Choir

*Doxology # 809

*Prayer of Dedication

Children's Time

*Hymn #623 "Sweet Hour of Prayer"

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading:

Proverbs 1:1-9	Becky Downs	Pg. 547
Mark 12:28-31		Pg. 881

Sermon "The Life of the Mind as the Service of God"
The Rev. David Dickerson

*Profession of Faith: *The Apostles' Creed*

*Hymn #557 "Open My Eyes That I May See"

*Charge and Blessing

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

*Standing

Announcements

October 15th, 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 family of Betsy Holt

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.

Duty Elder: Becky Downs

Coffee Hour: John & Barbara Hancock

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.

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.

Rescue Mission Items for October: Toilet Paper & Paper Napkins

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

Teen Challenge: We are collecting trash bags for Teen Challenge. These may also be left in the Fellowship Hall.

Coat Drive for Rescue Mission: Any good, used, clean coats from toddler to adult size. Drop them off in Fellowship Hall or Call Debbie Coots (540-588-5925) if you need for them to be picked up from your home.

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.

Upcoming Events

Thursday, October 26 Session Meeting

Sunday, October 29 Congregational Meeting will be held for the stated purpose of hearing the nominations and elections of 3 elders for the class of 2020

Monday, October 30 – Tuesday, November 14 Church Office will be closed. Bulletins for November 5 & 12 will be printed Friday, October 27.

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 10/30, 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.

October Birthdays Sandy Gates October 3; Leon Tomblin, October 8; Lisa Wright, October 18; Peggy Davis, October 19; Marilyn Tomblin October 22; Lynne Bolton, October 24; Pierce Brenner, October 26, September 30

YTD Financial Report through September 2017 Income: \$79,754 Expenses: \$67,292
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