

Church Directory

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THE SESSION

Clerk of Session: John Kilby

2018

Kip Burton, Sandy Gates, Dick Woodard

2019

Hal Bailey, Becky Downs, Bob Omer

2020

Lynne Bolton, Alan Brenner, John Griffith

TRUSTEES

Bob Omer, Garland Jones, Peggy Davis

THE CHURCH STAFF

Interim Minister: The Reverend David Dickerson

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.

The Rev. David Dickerson, D.Min: Church Office Hours

Mondays - Wednesdays: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.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

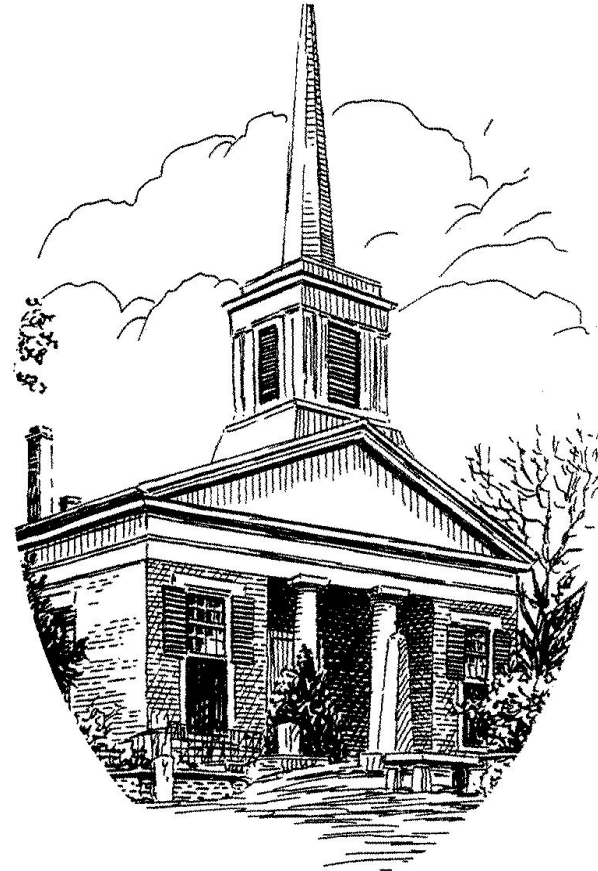
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

Nursery available and Children's church during service

Session 4th Thursday

Bell Choir 12 p.m. every other Sunday

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*

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

17th Sunday after Pentecost

September 16th, 2018 - 10:30 a.m.

Prelude: "My Soul longeth to depart in peace" Dupré
"O man, mourn for thy many sins" Dupré

Welcome and Announcements

Choral Introit # 75 "God Is So Good"

Call to Worship:

Leader: Let us worship God. The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and his Christ and he will reign forever and ever.

People: At the name of Jesus every knee should bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of the Father.

Leader: Praise the Lord.

People: The Lord's name be praised,

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn #130 "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

Call to Confession:

Leader: Let us confess our sins before God,

People: Trusting in God's grace and mercy revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Prayer of Confession: (unison)

Holy and merciful God,

In your presence we confess our failure to be what you created us to be. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love.

By your loving mercy, help us to live in your light and abide in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

Silent Confession: **Amen.**

**Kyrie: Lord, have mercy upon us,
Christ, have mercy upon us,
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Assurance of Pardon:

Leader: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old has gone;

People: A new life has begun. Know that we are forgiven and be at peace.

All: Amen!

*Gloria Patri # 805

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Offering: "There's Something About That Name" Gaither
sung by Lynne Bolton, soloist

*Doxology # 809

*Prayer of Dedication

Children's Time

*Hymn #213 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading:

Psalm 19 Cindy Bailey Pg. 473

Mark 8:27-9:1 Pg. 876

Sermon: "But Who Do You Say That I Am?"
The Rev. David Dickerson

*Profession of Faith: *The Apostles' Creed*

*Hymn #92 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude: "Farewell" Dupré

**Standing*

Announcements

September 16th, 2018

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 it to an Elder. All members, friends and visitors please join us after church in the Fellowship Hall for coffee and refreshments.

Prayer Concerns: Carol Brenner, Mary Myers, Al Frederick, Jean Branscom, Chris Fowler (friend of Becky Downs), Laura Holt, Leon Tomblin, Andrew Tucker, Emily Beard, Sue Ellen Bolton Thayer, Jackie Ferrel, Jessica Nelson, Holly Myers (Ty's daughter), Whitey Richardson, Ruth Schaaf (Bev Schade's mother), Andrew Pauley, Marilyn Bosch, Robert Mauck (Elizabeth Bolton Mauck's husband), Mary Lee Reese

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.

Adult Sunday School Class: Please join us at 9:30 a.m.

Duty Elder: Hal Bailey

Fellowship Hour: Gwen Griffith

Bell Choir: We are actively seeking handbell players. You do not have to have any experience as a musician, only enthusiasm. For information, please contact Debbie Coots at 540-588-592.

Handicap Parking: Please leave the spaces beside the church building available for handicap parking.

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.

Rescue Mission Items: See item list on the basket in the Fellowship Hall.

Upcoming Events

Sunday, September 23 Bulletin will be printed Tuesday, September 18.

Thursday, September 27 Session Meeting

Sunday, September 30 Church of The Transfiguration invites everyone to a **free Fall Family Festival, 12:30-2:30, hot dogs, chili fixins' and more. Games for everyone from wee ones to adults. Floyd Ward dancers. Additional parking at Attic Productions. There will also be a bake sale to benefit the Backpack Ministry. All are welcome.**

Sunday, October 7 Communion

Birthdays: Clyde Givens, 9/8; John Kilby 9/10; George Snyder 9/11; Jesse Wood, 9/13; Verna Shuey, 9/18; Mary Dehaven, 9/28; Carol Brenner, 9/30; Sarah Bulmer, 9/30

YTD Financial Report through August 2018 Income: \$63,477 Expenses: \$57,232

Presbytery of the Peaks
117th Stated Meeting, August 18, 2018

The One Hundred Seventeenth Meeting of the Presbytery of the Peaks was called to order by Moderator Dick Boswell at 9:30 a.m., on August 18, 2018 in the sanctuary of Trinity Ecumenical Parish in Moneta, VA, who also opened with prayer. Associate Pastor of the host church, Bea Miller, offered a warm welcome to all. Customary appointments were made by the moderator.

The Stated Clerk presented the Docket and Consent Agenda, with the recommendation that a Cabinet Report be included prior to the Nominating Committee Report. By common consent Catherine Synder and Richard Hamm were granted the status of Honorably Retired. Pastoral relationships were dissolved so that teaching elders could serve in a variety of calls: between Bart Edwards and Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church, Andrew Taylor-Troutman and New Dublin Presbyterian Church, Ronald Johnson and Holbrook Street Presbyterian Church, Jane Johnson and Grace Presbyterian Church. Two teaching elders were dismissed to other presbyteries to serve in validated ministries: Kelly Kaufman to the Presbytery of the James and Caitlin Hoy to the Presbytery of Eastern Virginia. Also by common consent the 2018 Terms of Call Report for installed pastors was approved.

The Presbytery was ably and joyfully led in worship by Mr. Shea Bergaum, a new Lutheran intern serving Ecumenical Trinity Parish, Rev. Bea Miller, Associate Pastor at ETP, and musicians Aaron Garber and Ken Hitchcock, along with the ETP choir. A jazz theme set the music apart from most presbytery meetings. The sermon was preached by Annette Goard, a candidate for ordination and pastor-elect of the Clarksville Presbyterian Church. The liturgy was prepared by teaching Elder Gary Scheidt, HR, who made use of the newly published Book of Common Worship, PCUSA. The offering of \$648.08 was designated for the Two Cents a Meal hunger offering, introduced by Denise Pillow, Hunger Action Advocate.

Following worship, the presbytery received a report from the June 16- 23 General Assembly meeting in St. Louis, Missouri. Commissioners reporting were: Jane Johnson TE, Catherine Taylor TE, John Collins RE, and Helen Dean RE. Rachel Sutphin, Youth Advisory Delegate, was unavailable to attend the meeting. Each commissioner shared a different part of the Assemblies work and process.

Rev. Steve Darr, a United Methodist Campus Ministry Director and a member of the presbytery, shared the ministry of the presbytery in community college settings within the presbytery and through the Alliance for Excellence, a ministry focused on the participation and positive experiences of African American students at our community colleges. For more than 30 years we've been actively engaged in the unique setting of community colleges.

A final report was given by the Administrative Commission for Covenant Presbyterian Church, Lynchburg, which had celebrated the life, ministry and mission of that congregation in a closing service in December 2017. The final report included recommended guidelines for the use of the 108 Melinda Drive property, which is currently a temporary location of the Presbytery offices. Final disposition of the property will be decided by the committees of the presbytery assigned that responsibility in the Manual of Operations, namely, the Board of Trustees and the Committee on Church Development. The AC was dismissed with the thanks for a job well done.

Lunch was served and followed by announcements, joys and concerns.

The Leadership Committee report was given by its moderator Kristin Reinholt, who spoke about the Prayer Gathering that will be held on September 12, 2018, at the Peaks of Otter, beginning at 1:00.

Of major significance, the Committee on Administration, moderated by RE Ed McElmurray, recommended that the presbytery concur in Steve Earl's request to dissolve the called relationship between himself and the Peaks, that he become a member at large, and that he be granted severance pay for two months. An amendment was offered and approved that the severance allowance be extended to three months. A letter of resignation was distributed that expressed Steve's gratitude for his work and the prayerful discernment that led to his resignation. The COA report was followed by a report from the Transitional General Presbyter, Carl Utley, explaining the short term strategies that have been adopted to operate with one less full time staff person. A change of responsibilities was distributed with the presbytery packet.

In a new format, the Examinations Committee began the presbytery's process for receiving new teaching elders. Brian Miles was examined and received from New Hope Presbytery (North Carolina) to become the temporary supply at Amhurst PC; John McDonald was examined and received to become the interim pastor at FPC, Danville; Annette Goard was examined and approved for ordination and installation as pastor of the Clarksville Presbyterian Church.

Sue Bentley presented the recommendations of the Committee on Ministry, which included the terms of call for Annette Goard; a request to commission Naomi Hodge-Muse for limited pastoral services at Grace Presbyterian Church, Martinsville as a Commissioned Pastor; appointment of an Administrative Commission to respond to the request of Providence Presbyterian Church to leave the PCUSA, with authority to guide the congregation in its discernment of God's will, to negotiate terms of dismissal if that course of action is indicated, and to make a recommendation to the presbytery regarding the congregation's future. The Administrative Commission will include: Kym Wiederholt, RE, Betsy Soto, TE, and Mikel Pugh, TE; approval for a first reading of the Policy for Ministers from other Denominations seeking to Serve PCUSA Congregations in a Pastoral, Transitional or Supply Role; and approval of first reading of the 2019 Financial Terms of Call.

Susan Verbrugge, Chair of the Committee on Preparation for Ministry introduced Jennifer Powell to the Presbytery, recommending that she be accepted as a candidate in her ordination process. This recommendation was approved.

Melissa McNair-King, TE and moderator of Cabinet presented for a second reading and approval the following change to the Manual of Operations, specifying the authority for making a change to the location of presbytery offices.

Under Section 1. Committee on Administration, b. Responsibilities 10. Provide for all Presbytery office operations and equipment. 11. The location or relocation of the Presbytery office shall be determined by a vote of the presbytery upon recommendation of the Committee on Administration. In the event of an emergency, the Committee on Administration, in conjunction with the Trustees, is authorized to relocate the Presbytery office on a temporary basis.

Other actions of the presbytery included approval of the Nominating Committee report, and receiving written reports from the Trustees, Session Records Workgroup, Stated Clerk, Mission Study Team, and the Presbyterian Women, all of which are online at the presbytery's website. Also in the full minutes are the presbytery's current financial reports. (www.peakspresbytery.org)

In closing business, the Report on Attendance and Absences was given by John Wiederholt, Stated Clerk; the resolution of appreciation was given by Ed McElmurray and the meeting was closed with prayer by Moderator Dick Boswell.