

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: Beth Clark

Office Hours:

Monday & Friday: 8:00am - 4:00pm

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

Mondays - Wednesdays: 8:30am – 11:30am

Other Times by Appointment

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

THE CHURCH CALENDAR

Morning Worship 10:30am

Nursery available and Children's church during service

Session 4th Thursday

Bell Choir 12pm 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. Presbyterians have worshipped here continuously since the Revolutionary War.

Fincastle Presbyterian Church
Christmas Eve Service
Monday, December 24th, 2018 - 5pm

Prelude: *"In Bethlehem's low stable"* Walcha

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: 1 John 4:7-12

Leader: Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.

People: Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love.

Leader: God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him.

People: In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins.

Leader: Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another.

People: No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

Prayer of Invocation

Lighting the Advent Candle: *Christ* The Brenner Family

Hymn #171 *"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"*

Call to Confession:

Leader: If we claim to be sinless, we are self-deceived and strangers to the truth.

People: If we confess our sins, God is just, and may be trusted to forgive our sins and cleanse us from every wrong.

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God,

Because you love us, your Word became flesh and lived among us, full of grace and truth, but we have not loved you. You call us to embrace the Good News of the birth of our Savior, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped up in our own concerns. We have gone along with evil, with prejudice, warfare, and greed.

God our Father, help us to face up to ourselves, so that, as you move toward us in mercy in the first Christmas, we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Silent Confession: Amen

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

Assurance of Pardon:

Leader: This statement is completely reliable and should be universally accepted:

People: Christ Jesus was born on Christmas Day to rescue sinners.

Leader: He personally bore our sins in his body on the cross,

People: so that we might be dead to sin and be alive to all that is good.

All: Hear the Good News, in Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!

*Gloria Patri #805

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Offering:

"Mary Did You Know"
sung by Lynne Bolton, soloist

*Doxology # 809

*Prayer of Dedication

Children's Time

Hymn #150

"What Child Is This?"

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading:

Isaiah 9:2-7

Lynne Bolton

Pg. 593

Luke 2:1-20

Pg. 889

Sermon:

"The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God..."
The Rev. David Dickerson

*Profession of Faith:

The Apostles' Creed

*Hymn #173

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude:

"Adeste Fideles"

*Standing

Fincastle Presbyterian Church
Poinsettia Dedication

In Memory of

Don Langford
by Dot Langford

JoeAnna & Corky Bolton
by Lynne Bolton

Our Parents
by Phyllis & Jim Tenser

Paxton Davis
by Peggy Davis

Dr. Iain Maclean & Dr. Edgar Mayse
by Jim & Sue Porter

Doc & Nancy Bailey
Glen Trout & Eloise Garland
by Cynthia Bailey

Pat & Bill Simmons
by David & Patsy Dickerson

Monty Leitch
by David & Patsy Dickerson

Hunter & Viola Painter
by Carol & Alan Brenner

Dewey & Nellie Goad
Ronnie Goad
by Mike & Cathy Goad

Jim Miles & Tom Wren
by Connie Miles

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In Memory of

Jack & Marie Bailey
by Fred & Debbie Coots

Fred Coots Sr.
by Fred & Debbie Coots

Our Parents
by Ed & Verna Shuey

J.L. & Elva Kilby
by John & Mardee Kilby

Francis & Martha Hoge
by John & Mardee Kilby

R.A. & Doris Griffith
V.C. & Rose Bozman
by John & Gwen Griffith

In Honor of

Marilyn Koch
by Randy & Lisa Wright

Janice Simpson
by Randy & Lisa Wright

Our Children and Grandchildren
by H.W. & Jacquelyn Burton