

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

Service for the Lord's Day 1st Sunday after Christmas Day December 30th, 2018 – 10:30am

Prelude: "Shepherds came, their praises bringing" Walcha

Welcome and Announcements

Choral Introit #151 "Go, Tell It on the Mountain"

Call to Worship: Luke 2:10-14

Leader: But the angel said to the shepherds, "Do not be afraid; for see – I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people:"

People: "to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord."

Leader: "This will be a sign for you; you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger."

People: And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

Leader: "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!"

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn #152 "Angels We Have Heard on High"

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.

All: Let us admit our sin before God.

Prayer of Confession

Great God our Father,

You have given us Jesus, light of the world, but we choose darkness and cling to sins that hide the brightness of your love. We are frightened disciples who are slow to speak your gospel. Immersed in ourselves, we have not risen to new life. Baptize us with Holy Spirit, so that, forgiven and renewed, we may preach your word to nations, and tell your glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ, our Lord and our light forever.

Silent Confession: Amen

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

Assurance of Pardon:

Leader: Who is in the position to condemn?

People: Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*Gloria Patri #805

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Offering: "Sing Out with Joy!" sung by the Choir

*Doxology # 809

*Prayer of Dedication

Children's Time

Hymn #147 "Away in a Manger"

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading:

1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26 Kip Burton Pg. 235

Luke 2:41-52 Pg. 890

Sermon: "The Mystery of the Christ-Child: Fully Human; Fully Divine"
The Rev. David Dickerson

*Profession of Faith: *The Apostles' Creed*

*Hymn #157 "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice"

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude: "Joy to the World"

*Standing

Announcements

December 30, 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 (Becky's friend), Laura Holt, Leon Tomblin, Andrew Tucker, Emily Beard, Sue Ellen Bolton Thayer, Jackie Ferrel, Holly Myers (Ty's daughter), Ruth Schaaf (Bev's mother), Andrew Pauley, Mary Lee Reese, Clyde Hypes, Mary Black, Audrey Brizendine (Evelyn's friend), Gloria Willis, Ben Womble

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.

Bell Choir: Anyone interested in giving bells a try, please join us for one or all of these practices! You do not have to have any experience as a musician, only enthusiasm.

Adult Sunday School Class: Please join us at 9:30am

Duty Elder: Kip Burton

Fellowship Hour: Lynne Bolton & Verna Shuey

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

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 ensure 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

Sunday, January 6th: Communion

Sunday, January 13th: Bell Choir Performing

Thursday, January 31st: Session Meeting

Saturday, March 23rd: Please place on your calendars. Lifetouch will take photographs of all of us for our new Church Directory 12pm-7pm. If you have great photos of church gatherings etc. please send them to Sandy Gates so they can be included in the Directory.

Birthdays: Henry Brenner, 12/2; Hannah Brenner, 12/5; Ty Harris, 12/12; Jim Helms, 12/24

YTD Financial Report through November 2018

Income: \$85,587

Expenses: \$84,431



2019

Happy New Year

You and your family are invited

to our house for a

New Year's Day Brunch

January 1, 2019

10:30 am - 1:00 pm

Celebrate the beginning of 2019 with

family and friends!

David and Patsy Dickerson

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