

**Church Directory**

PO Box 144, Fincastle VA 24090  
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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 . . . . . 4<sup>th</sup> 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

Second Sunday of Advent

December 9, 2018 - 10:30am

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Prelude: "What Child is This?" Bell Choir  
Welcome and Announcements

Organ Introit: "People Look East" French Carol

Call to Worship: Psalm 95:1,2

Leader: O come, let us sing unto the Lord:

**People: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.**

Leader: Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving,

**People: and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms.**

Prayer of Invocation

Lighting the Advent Candle: Bob & Meg Omer

Hymn #136 "On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry"

Call to Confession:

Leader: For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin.

**People: Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.**

Prayer of Confession: (unison) (Psalm 51 adapted)

**O God,**

**Have mercy upon us according to thy loving-kindness; according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquities, and cleanse us from our sin. For we acknowledge our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us. Create in us clean hearts, O God; and renew a right spirit within us. Cast us not away from thy presence, and take not thy Holy Spirit from us.**

Silent Confession: **Amen.**

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

Assurance of Pardon:

Leader: Almighty God, who freely pardons all who repent and turn to Him, now fulfill in every contrite heart the promise of redeeming grace;

**People: remitting all our sins, and cleansing us from an evil conscience, through the perfect sacrifice of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\*Gloria Patri #805

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Offering: "Silent Night" by Bell Choir

\*Doxology # 809

\*Prayer of Dedication

Children's Time

Handbells: "The Moon of Wintertime/O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading:

Malachi 3:1-4 Sandy Gates Pg. 830

Luke 3:1-6 Pg. 890

Sermon: "Are You Ready For Christmas?" The Rev. David Dickerson

\*Profession of Faith: *The Apostles' Creed*

\*Hymn #151 "Go, Tell It on the Mountain"

\*Charge and Blessing

\*Postlude: "Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending" arr. Wayne Kerr

\*Standing

# Announcements

December 9, 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, Holly Myers (Ty's daughter), Ruth Schaaf (Bev Schade's mother), Andrew Pauley, Merylyn Bosch, Mary Lee Reese, Clyde Hypes, Mary Black, Audrey Brizendine (Evelyn's friend)

**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:** Sandy Gates

**Fellowship Hour:** Patsy Dickerson

**Disaster Assistance Response:** Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is responding to needs from Hurricane Florence on the East Coast and Typhoon Mangkhut in the Philippines. If you want to give, two PDA numbers have been assigned for monetary gifts (DR00169 – Hurricane Florence) & (DR000194 – Typhoon Mangkhut). Donations may be sent to: Presbytery of the Peaks, 108 Melinda Drive, Lynchburg, VA 24502.

**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.

**Angel Tree Gifts:** Please have Angel Tree gifts in the fellowship hall by December 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday Worship for delivery that day.

**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, December 9<sup>th</sup> Office Hours** this week will be Monday 12:30pm-6pm & Friday 8:00am-4:00pm

**Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup> Bell Choir** performing

**Tuesday, December 11<sup>th</sup> Choir** Practice 3pm

**Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup> Service of Lessons & Carols**

**Tuesday, December 18<sup>th</sup> Choir** Practice 3pm

**Sunday, January 6<sup>th</sup> Communion**

**Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> 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

# 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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*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*

