

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
Epiphany of the Lord & Communion Sunday
January 6th, 2019 – 10:30am

Prelude: "The old year is passed away" Dupre'
"How bright shineth the day-star!" Dupre'

Welcome and Announcements

Choral Introit #185 "Star of Wonder"

Call to Worship: Psalm 34:8, 11-14

Leader: Taste and see that the Lord is good!

People: "Happy are those who rest in God."

Leader: Come and listen, children of God.

People: Teach us the way of truth and life.

Leader: Let us depart from evil and do good.

People: Let us seek peace and pursue it.

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn #182 "Brightest and Best of the Stars"

Call to Confession: (from Ephesians 2)

Leader: By grace we have been saved through faith;

People: And it is not our own doing; it is a gift from God.

All: Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

O God of every people and nation,

We confess that we have not lived as global citizens in your new realm of justice and peace. We build up dividing walls in the world. We contribute to division in the church. We ignore suffering in distant nations and live in fear of our closest neighbors.

Forgive us, God of grace. Pour out your spirit of peace upon us; break down the dividing walls among us; and raise us up to be a holy temple – your temple of peace in the world – built on the cornerstone of Jesus Christ, in whose holy name we pray.

Silent Confession: Amen

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

Assurance of Pardon:

Leader: Once we were strangers and aliens;

People: Now we are citizens with the saints and members of the household of God.

Leader: People of God, hear the good news:

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God.

*Gloria Patri #805

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Offering: "Watchman, Sing Noel" Bailey
sung by the Choir

*Doxology # 809

*Prayer of Dedication

Children's Time

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading:

Isaiah 60: 1-6 Becky Downs Pg. 639

Matthew 2: 1-12 Pg. 835

Sermon: "Our Light Has Come"
The Rev. David Dickerson

*Profession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

Hymn #776 "Let Us Break Bread Together"

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Elders

Invitation to the Congregation

Minister: Christ came to us proclaiming peace – peace to all those who are near; peace to all who are far away. In Christ's body we are joined together. In Christ's body we are made one. The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Great Thanksgiving Prayer, Prayers of the People, and the Lord's Prayer.

Sentences of Institution

Partaking of the Bread and Cup

Closing Prayer

*Hymn #181 "As with Gladness Men of Old"

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude: "In Thee is joy" Dupre'

*Standing

Announcements

January 6, 2019

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, Rogena Sharp (mother of Vickie Littleton), the family of Bethany Stevens (daughter of Mike & Carol Stevens)

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: Becky Downs

Fellowship Hour: Goad & Brenner

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.

Thanks to our members for your generosity with another successful Angel Tree project. Both families were most deserving appreciative.

Upcoming Events

Sunday, January 6th: Communion

Sunday, January 6th: There will be a short informational meeting after church to present the 2019 Budget.

Sunday, January 13th: Bell Choir Performing

Thursday, January 24th: 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: Carolyn Kniceley 1/5, Julia Richardson 1/12, Mike Goad 1/13, Mark Schade 1/17, Becky DesChamps 1/23

