

Church Directory
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The Session
Clerk of Session: John Kilby
2020
Lynne Bolton, Alan Brenner, John Griffith, Becky Downs
2021
Sandy Gates, Lyn Burton
2022
Cathy Goad, Paul Phillippe, Bo Trumbo

Trustees
Bob Omer, Garland Jones, Peggy Davis

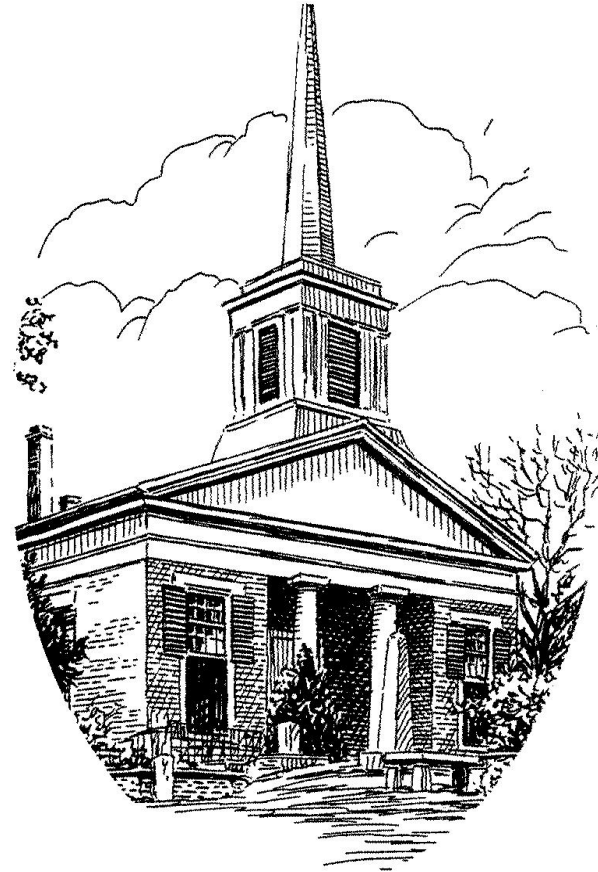
The Church Staff
Interim Minister: The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min.
Treasurer: Becky Downs
Organist and Choir Director: Evelyn Renshaw
Bookkeeper/Secretary: Beth Clark

Office Hours:
Monday & Friday: 8:10am - 3:40pm
The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min: Church Office Hours
Mondays: 9am – 12pm, Wednesdays: 2pm – 5pm, Fridays: 9am – 12pm
Other Times by Appointment
Please contact Beth at (540) 473-2042 or secretary@fincastlepresbyterian.org
by Wednesday with items you want included in the bulletin.

The Church Calendar
Morning Worship10:30am
Nursery available and Children's church during service
Session..... 4th Thursday
Sunday School.....9:30am

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



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

Fincastle Presbyterian Church

3rd Sunday in Lent

March 15, 2020 – 10:30am

Prelude: "In the midst of earthly life"
Walcha

Welcome and Announcements:

Choral Introit: #822 "Jesus, Remember Me"

Call to Worship:

Leader: Let us worship God. God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself – not counting their sins against them -

People: and has commissioned us with the message of reconciliation.

Leader: Praise the Lord.

People: The Lord's name be praised.

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn: #96 "Praise Him! Praise Him!"

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 kind of wrong.

All: Let us admit our sin before God.

Prayer of Confession:

Almighty and most merciful Father,

We have erred and strayed from Thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and there is no health in us.

But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare Thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore Thou those who are penitent according to Thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord.

And grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake, that we may here after live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Thy holy name.

Silent Confession: Amen

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

Assurance of Pardon:

Leader: The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy.

People: He hath not dealt with us after our sins, nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.

Leader: As the heaven is high above the earth, so great is his mercy toward them that fear him.

People: As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us.

All: Amen.

*Gloria Patri: #805

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Offering: "A Lenten Prayer"
Robert J. Powell

Duet: Dot Langford & Leigh Anne Martin, sopranos

*Doxology # 809

*Prayer of Dedication

Hymn: #227 "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

Children's Time

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading:

Exodus 17:1-7

John 4:5-42

Sandy Gates

Pg. 60

Pg. 925

Sermon:

"The Living Water"
The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min

*Profession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

*Hymn: #517 "The Solid Rock"

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude: "Prelude In a minor"
J.S. Bach

*Standing

Announcements

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All Children are invited to participate in Children's Time. Afterwards, younger children may go to the staffed nursery and older children may attend Children's Time upstairs.

Duty Elder: Sandy Gates

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

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Lenten Lunch Series at Fincastle UMC at noon: 3/18/20 Rev. Willis Logan is speaker, 3/25/20 Rev. David Dickerson is speaker.

Special Services:

4/9/20 Maundy Thursday 7pm

Easter Sunrise Service to be announced

Easter Lily/Tulip Order: Sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall \$15 each and please place order by March 29th.

Upcoming Events

Thursday, March 26th: Session Meeting 4pm

Birthdays: Hal Bailey 3/6, Ed Shuey 3/6, Nathalie Givens 3/8, Cal Beasley 3/8, Hal Bailey Jr. 3/10, Leigh Littleton 3/13, Alan Brenner 3/25, Patty Vari 3/29

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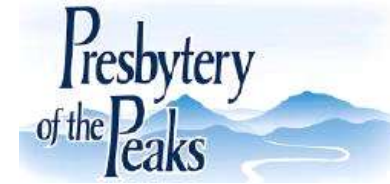
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2019 Minister and Church Attendance Reports were included in the Clerk's report, as well as the attendance report for this meeting. A resolution of thanksgiving was offered by Rev. Kim Steinhorst. The meeting was adjourned with prayer by the Moderator.



February 13, 2020 Presbytery Meeting

Next Presbytery Meeting
Saturday, May 2, 2020
Raleigh Court Presbyterian Church
Roanoke, VA

The One Hundred and Twenty-third Meeting of the Presbytery of the Peaks was called to order by Stated Clerk, John Wiederholt at 9:30 a.m., on February 13, 2020 in the sanctuary of Forest Presbyterian Church, Forest, VA, at which time we installed the 2020 Moderator, Skip Martin, and 2020 vice-moderator, Steve Willis.

Following opening business and approval of the docket and consent agenda, the presbytery was led in worship in the spirit of Wild Goose Christian Community in Bonsack by their worship leaders Rev. Loren Tate-Mitchell and musician Lori Turner. The annual reading of the necrology and the quarterly Two Cents a Meal Offering were included. The offering was \$922.03.

Included in the consent agenda were the 2021 Presbytery meeting dates. Weather dates, if needed, will be two weeks after the scheduled date. 1) February 11, 2021 (Thursday) 2) May 1, 2021 (Saturday) 3) August 14, 2021 (Saturday) and 4) November 18, 2021 (Thursday)

The Cabinet recommended for a first reading a framework for a way forward for the presbytery, the culmination of two years of conversation and discernment led by the Mission Study Team. One amendment was approved that resulted in the expansion of a part-time communication director position to full time. Two amendments that sought to change the formation of three "commissions" in the place of three "committees" were defeated. After considerable debate the Mission Study Report was approved unanimously. (The approved document can be found on the presbytery's website.)

Cabinet also reported it had approved an increase of \$2.00 for the cost of lunch at Presbytery Meetings. Beginning with the Feb. 13 Presbytery Meeting, lunch will be \$8.00.

Following lunch, the Examinations Committee presented three candidates for transfer into our presbytery. Revs. Kelsey and Peter Hawisher-Faul to serve as Co-Pastors of The Presbyterian Church of Radford and Rev. Cheryl Peoples, to serve as Pastor of Forest Hills Presbyterian Church, Martinsville. They were approved and upon the recommendation of the Committee on Ministry, the presbytery approved the terms of call for each.

As a special celebration, Keith Leach, pastor of College Church, recognized Robert Hall for his 34 years at Hampden Sydney. The Presbytery offered its thanks for his many years of service and wishes him a wonderful retirement.

Richard Claterbaugh, chair of the Administration Committee, presented the committee's report. Actions reported included:

- Approved 2020 Housing allowance for Rachel Shepherd and Carl Utley.
- Approved the renewal of the Pastor Nominating Committee Instructor position and contract with Howard Jennings for a one year period beginning January 1, 2020.
- Approved the contract for Small Church Residency Administrator Betsy Soto for a one year period beginning January 1, 2020.
- Approved the extension of the Associate Presbyter for Discipleship for a six month period, at her request, beginning April 1, 2020 and ending on September 30, 2020. There will be a recognition of this ministry at the August 15, 2020 Presbytery meeting.
- Approved Mission Committee request for funding from the Mission Fund, pending adoption by the Committee of a plan to address the processes for 1) informing the entire Presbytery of funding availability and 2) mechanism for fund allocation.

The presbytery approved terms of call for transitional presbyters Carl Utley and Rachel Shepherd and the 2020 Budget as presented. The budget included \$10,000 for the General Presbyter Nominating Committee expenses.

Bob Fiedler, chair of the Missions Committee, thanked the congregations who participated in the Two Cents a Meal program for 2019. Giving to this program increased 2% in 2019.

Michael Nevergold, chair of the committee, presented two recommendations. Presbytery approved the following General Presbyter Search Committee.

Fran Arehart	RE	Farmville	Piedmont Neighborhood
Sue Bentley	RE	Northside	New River Valley Neighborhood
Morgan Whitfield	TE	Forest	Hill Cities Neighborhood
Mikel Pugh	TE	Chatham	Southside Neighborhood
George Wilson	TE	HR	Southside Neighborhood
Helen Dean	RE	Second	Roanoke Valley Neighborhood
Jim Slate	TE	HR	Highlands Neighborhood

Presbytery also approved the recommendations for Presbytery committee positions

Moderator Skip Martin nominated the Search Committee for the Stated Clerk position, as required by the presbytery's manual of operations in the fourth year of the Clerk's term of service.

Margie Anderson	Missional CP
John Erb	RE, Altavista
Jim Slate	HR, will serve as moderator
Hugh Springer	HR, former Stated Clerk
George Goodman	Stated Supply, Westminster
Shelda Wills	RE, Christiansburg

Written reports were approved from the Trustees of the Presbytery, including its Annual Report, the Presbyterian Women, The Black Caucus and the Committee on Preparation for Ministry (with their report that Emily Sutphin, a Princeton Seminary student from Christiansburg Presbyterian Church, had been enrolled as an inquirer).