Fincastle Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day 7th Sunday of Easter May 24, 2020 – 10:30am – Live Streaming



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

Prelude: "O world, I now must leave thee"

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Welcome and Announcements:

Call to Worship: (Psalm 95:6,7) (unison)

O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the Lord our maker. For he is our God; and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

Prayer of Invocation: The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min

Hymn: #92 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

Call to Confession: (unison)

Remember that our Lord Jesus can sympathize with us in our weaknesses, since in every respect he was tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with boldness approach the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Prayer of Confession: (unison)

Merciful God.

We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Silent Confession: Amen

Kvrie:

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Pardon: (unison)

May the God of mercy, who forgives us all of our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.

*Gloria Patri: #805

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: #103 "Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim"

Prayer of Illumination: The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min

Scripture Reading:

Psalm 68: 4-10 Old Testament Reading
Acts 1: 6-14 New Testament Reading

Sermon: "Why do you stand looking up toward heaven?"

The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min

*Profession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

Hymn: #745 "Jesus Shall Reign"

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude: "In peace and joy I now depart"

J.C. Bach

Announcements

Prayer Concerns: Al Frederick, Jean Branscom, Laura Holt, Jackie Ferrel, Holly Myers (*Ty's daughter*), Ruth Schaaf (*Bev's mother*), Mary Lee Reese, Mary Black, Audrey Brizendine (*Evelyn's friend*), Clyde & Nathalie Givens, Vaughn Bozman (*Gwen Griffith's brother*), Kaki Peaslee, Doug Ross, Dianne & John Poynor, Marilyn Koch (*Lisa's Mom*), Janet Woolwine (*Carolyn's Sister*), Neal Brush, Alexsis Porter (*The Porter's granddaughter*), Molly Rose (*Valerie Lucas's cousin*), Gwen Griffith, Kerri Summerlin (*Carolyn Knicely's niece*), Gretchen Greiner, Bob Waid, Family of Carlisle McDonald (*Verna's aunt*), Ann Whitehurst (*Evelyn's Friend*), Lisa Curlee (*Sarah Bulmer's sister*), Carolyn Bolton Lennon (*Lynne Bolton's cousin*)

Members: Please like Fincastle Presbyterian Church on Facebook.

Birthdays: Lyn Burton 5/2, Rena Heslep 5/5, Cindy Bailey 5/23, Eric McGraw 5/24, Joel

Branscom 5/26, John Hancock 5/31

First Scripture Reading:

Psalm 68: 4-10

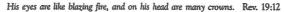
⁴ Sing to God, sing praises to his name; lift up a song to him who rides upon the clouds; his name is the LORD, exult before him! ⁵ Father of the fatherless and protector of widows is God in his holy habitation. ⁶ God gives the desolate a home to dwell in; he leads out the prisoners to prosperity; but the rebellious dwell in a parched land. ⁷ O God, when thou didst go forth before thy people, when thou didst march through the wilderness, [Selah] ⁸ the earth quaked, the heavens poured down rain, at the presence of God; yon Sinai quaked at the presence of God, the God of Israel. ⁹ Rain in abundance, O God, thou didst shed abroad; thou didst restore thy heritage as it languished; ¹⁰ thy flock found a dwelling in it; in thy goodness, O God, thou didst provide for the needy.

Second Scripture Reading:

Acts 1: 6-14

⁶ So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷ He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has fixed by his own authority. 8 But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Sama'ria and to the end of the earth." 9 And when he had said this. as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰ And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes. 11 and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." 12 Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away; ¹³ and when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staving, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. ¹⁴ All these with one accord devoted themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.

Crown Him with Many Crowns





- 1. Crown him with man y crowns, the Lamb up on his throne;
- 2. Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave.
- 3. Crown him the Lord love; be - hold his hands side. of and
- 4. Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time,



hark! how the heaven-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its and rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau-ty glo - ri - fied; cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fa - bly sub - lime.



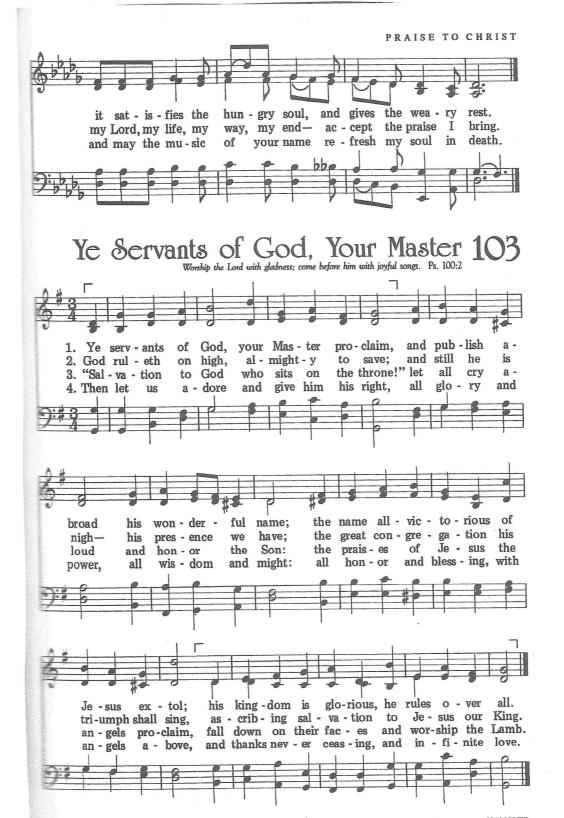
a - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died thee. died high, his glo - ries now we sing who and rose on that sight. ful - ly bear no an - gels in the sky can All hail! for thou hast died me; hail, Re - deem - er,





and hail him as thy match-less king through all e - ter - ni who died e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may but down - ward bend their burn - ing eyes at mys - ter - ies so thy praise shall nev - er, nev - er fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty.





Spiritual Conflict and Victory

Jesus Shall Reign 745

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USIC: John Hatton, 1793