

Fincastle Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day

Day of Pentecost

May 31, 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: "Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord"
Armsdorf & Zachau

Welcome and Announcements:

Call to Worship: (unison)
Let us worship God. Thank God, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, that in his great mercy we have been born again into a life full of hope, through Christ's rising from the dead. Praise the Lord. The Lord's name be praised.

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

Hymn: #304 "Come Down, O Love Divine!"

Call to Confession: (unison)
The proof of God's amazing love is this: while we were sinners Christ died for us. Because we have faith in him, we dare with confidence to approach God. Let us ask God to forgive us.

Prayer of Confession:
Almighty God,
You love us, but we have not loved you; you call, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped up in our own concerns. We have gone along with evil, with prejudice, warfare, and greed. God our Father help us to face up to ourselves, so that, as you move toward us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Silent Confession: Amen

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

Assurance of Pardon:

Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. If a person is in Christ, that person becomes a new person altogether – the past is finished and gone, everything has become fresh and new. Friends: Let us believe the good news of the gospel. In Jesus Christ, we all are forgiven! Amen.

*Gloria Patri: #805

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: #298

"Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove"

Prayer of Illumination:

The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min

Scripture Reading:

Numbers 11:24-30

Old Testament Reading

John 20: 19-23

New Testament Reading

Acts 2:1-21

Sermon:

"The Presence of the Lord Redeems Life!"

The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min

*Profession of Faith:

The Apostles' Creed

Hymn: #130

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude:

"Soul, adorn thyself with gladness"

Walther

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, Alexis 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*), Phyllis Tenser

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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:

Numbers 11:24-30

24 So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD; and he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people, and placed them round about the tent.
25 Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was upon him and put it upon the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did so no more.
26 Now two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested upon them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp.
27 And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp."
28 And Joshua the son of Nun, the minister of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, forbid them."
29 But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, that the LORD would put his spirit upon them!"
30 And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

Second Scripture Reading:

John 20: 19-23

19 On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being shut where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you."
20 When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord.
21 Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I send you."
22 And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit.
23 If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

Third Scripture Reading:

Acts 2: 1-21

1 When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place.
2 And suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.
3 And there appeared to them tongues as of fire, distributed and resting on each one of them.
4 And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.
5 Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven.
6 And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in his own language.
7 And they were amazed and wondered, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?
8 And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language?
9 Par'thians and Medes and E'lamites and residents of Mesopota'mia, Judea and Cappado'cia, Pontus and Asia,
10 Phryg'ia and Pamphyl'ia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyre'ne, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes,
11 Cretans and Arabians, we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God."
12 And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?"
13 But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine."
14 But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words.
15 For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day;
16 but this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:
17 'And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams;
18 yea, and on my menservants and my maidservants in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.
19 And I will show wonders in the heaven above and signs on the earth beneath, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;
20 the sun shall be turned into darkness and the moon into blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and manifest day.
21 And it shall be that whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

Hymns:

Come Down, O Love Divine!

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1 Come down, O love divine! Seek out this soul of mine and visit it with your own ardor glowing: O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear, and kindle it, your holy flame bestowing.

4 And so the yearning strong with which the soul will long shall far surpass the power of human telling; for none can guess its grace till we become the place in which the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.

Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove

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1 Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove, with all Thy quickening powers; kindle a flame of sacred love in these cold hearts of ours.

4 Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove, with all Thy quickening powers; come, shed abroad the Savior's love, and that shall kindle ours.

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

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1 O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace.

5 My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.