Fincastle Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day 8th Sunday after Pentecost July 26, 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: "Praise be to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ"

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Welcome and Announcements:

Call to Worship: (unison)

Let us worship God. God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself – not counting their sins against them – and has commissioned us with the message of reconciliation. Praise the Lord. The Lord's name be praised.

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

Hymn: #514 "Blessed Assurance"

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: (unison)

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 we have done those things which we ought not 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 hereafter 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:

(unison)

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: believe the good news of the gospel. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*Gloria Patri: #805

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: #526 "Trusting Jesus"

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

Scripture Reading:

Psalm 23 Old Testament Reading Romans 8:126-39 New Testament Reading

Sermon: "In the Spirit of Christ God Is Always With Us and For Us"

The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min

*Profession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

Hymn: #519 "It Is Well with My Soul"

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude: "Postlude in G Major"

Handel

Announcements

Prayer Concerns: Family of Jean Coots, Jean Branscom, Laura Holt McCann, 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, Ann Whitehurst (*Evelyn's Friend*), Lisa Curlee (*Sarah Bulmer's sister*), Phyllis Tenser, Kip Burton, Marc Evans (*nephew of Peggy's friend*)

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Birthdays: Kaki Peaslee 7/4, Connie Miles 7/7, Julia Bailey 7/11, Nancy Pauley 7/15, Cathy Goad 7/23, Bruce Bulmer 7/24, Gwen Griffith 7/26, Lisa Sydnor 7/27, Vickie Littleton 7/28

First Scripture Reading:

Psalm 23

¹The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want; ²he makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters; ³he restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. ⁴Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me. ⁵ Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of my enemies; thou anointest my head with oil, my cup overflows. ⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Second Scripture Reading:

Romans 8:26-39

²⁶ Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷ And he who searches the hearts of men knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. ²⁸ We know that in everything God works for good with those who love him, who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹ For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the first-born among many brethren. ³⁰ And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. ³¹ What then shall we say to this? If God is for us, who is against us? 32 He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, will he not also give us all things with him? 33 Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies; 34 who is to condemn? Is it Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised from the dead, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us? ³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁶ As it is written, "For thy sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered." ³⁷ No. in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am sure that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come. nor powers, ³⁹ nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Hymns:

Blessed Assurance Page 514

1 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

[Refrain:]

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long; this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

3 Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my Savior am happy and blest, watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love. (Refrain)

Trusting Jesus

1 Simply trusting every day, trusting through a stormy way, even when my faith is small, trusting Jesus—that is all.

Refrain:

Trusting as the moments fly, trusting as the days go by, trusting him whate'er befall, trusting Jesus– that is all.

4 Trusting him while life shall last, trusting him till earth be past, till within the jasper wall, trusting Jesus– that is all. [Refrain]

It Is Well With My Soul

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1 When peace like a river attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll, whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, "It is well, it is well with my soul."

Refrain:

It is well with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.

4 And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend: "Even so"— it is well with my soul."(Refrain)