

Fincastle Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day

5th Sunday after Pentecost

July 5, 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

Organ Prelude: "God and Nation"
John Sciveyner

Welcome and Announcements:

Call to Worship: (Isaiah 55:6,7) (unison)
Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near: let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts: and let them return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon them; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

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

Hymn: #422 "O God of Every Nation"

Call to Confession: (unison)
If we claim to be sinless, we are self-deceived and strangers to the truth. If we confess our sins, God is just, and maybe trusted to forgive our sins and cleanse us from every kind of wrong. Let us admit our sin before God.

Prayer of Confession: (unison)
Almighty God,
In Jesus Christ you called us to be a servant people, but we do not do what you command. We are often silent when we should speak, and useless when we could be useful. We are lazy servants, timid and heartless, who turn neighbors away you're your love. Have mercy on us, O God, and, though we do not deserve your care, forgive us, and free us from sin, 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: (unison)

This statement is completely reliable and should be universally accepted: Christ Jesus entered the world to rescue sinners. He personally bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that we might be dead to sin and be alive to all that is good.

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: #417 "My Country, 'Tis of Thee"

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

Scripture Reading:
Amos 5:18-27 Old Testament Reading
Romans 7:14-25 New Testament Reading

Sermon: "Taking Our Sins Seriously"
The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min

*Profession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

Hymn: #418 "America, the Beautiful"

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude: "Let Freedom Ring!"
James Mansfield

Announcements

Prayer Concerns: Family of 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 Poyner, 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, Ann Whitehurst (*Evelyn's Friend*), Lisa Curlee (*Sarah Bulmer's sister*), Phyllis Tenser, Family of Thomas Nganele (*Charlotte & Rob Hagan's son*), Kip Burton

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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:

Amos 5:18-27

- 18 Woe to you who desire the day of the Lord! Why would you have the day of the Lord? It is darkness, and not light;
- 19 as if a man fled from a lion, and a bear met him; or went into the house and leaned with his hand against the wall, and a serpent bit him.
- 20 Is not the day of the Lord darkness, and not light, and gloom with no brightness in it?
- 21 "I hate, I despise your feasts, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.
- 22 Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and cereal offerings, I will not accept them, and the peace offerings of your fatted beasts I will not look upon.
- 23 Take away from me the noise of your songs; to the melody of your harps I will not listen.
- 24 But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an everflowing stream.
- 25 "Did you bring to me sacrifices and offerings the forty years in the wilderness, O house of Israel?
- 26 You shall take up Sakkuth your king, and Kaiwan your star-god, your images, which you made for yourselves;
- 27 therefore I will take you into exile beyond Damascus," says the Lord, whose name is the God of hosts.

Second Scripture Reading:

Romans 7:14-25

- 14 We know that the law is spiritual; but I am carnal, sold under sin.
- 15 I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate.
- 16 Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good.
- 17 So then it is no longer I that do it, but sin which dwells within me.
- 18 For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it.
- 19 For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do.
- 20 Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin which dwells within me.
- 21 So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand.
- 22 For I delight in the law of God, in my inmost self,
- 23 but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin which dwells in my members.
- 24 Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?
- 25 Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, I of myself serve the law of God with my mind, but with my flesh I serve the law of sin.

Hymns:

O God of Every Nation

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1 O God of every nation, of every race and land, redeem the whole creation with your almighty hand; where hate and fear divide us and bitter threats are hurled, in love and mercy guide us, and heal our strife-torn world.

4 Keep bright in us the vision of days when war shall cease, when hatred and division give way to love and peace, till dawns the morning glorious when truth and justice reign, and Christ shall rule victorious o'er all the world's domain.

My Country, 'Tis of Thee

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1 My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing: land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrims' pride, from every mountainside let freedom ring!

4 Our fathers' God, to thee, Author of liberty, to thee we sing: long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light; protect us by thy might, great God, our King!

America, the Beautiful

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1 O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain, for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain! America! America! God shed his grace on thee, and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea!

4 O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears! America! America! God shed his grace on thee, and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea!