

Fincastle Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
13th Sunday after Pentecost
August 30, 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 dearest Jesus, what law hast Thou broken"
Walcha

Welcome and Announcements:

Call to Worship: (unison)
Let us worship God. Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth. God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. Praise the Lord. The Lord's name be praised.

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

Hymn: #523 "Trust and Obey"

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.

Prayer of Confession: (unison)
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: (unison)
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 are forgiven.

*Gloria Patri: #805

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: #568 "Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated"

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

Scripture Reading:
Exodus 3:1-15 Old Testament Reading
Matthew 16:21-28 New Testament Reading

Sermon: "Of Curiosity, Calls, Crosses, and Christ"
The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min

*Profession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

Hymn: #648 "O Jesus, I Have Promised"

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude: "Fugue in g minor"
J.S. Bach

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, 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, Family of Bob Waid, Ann Whitehurst (*Evelyn's friend*), Lisa Curlee (*Sarah Bulmer's sister*), Phyllis Tenser, Marc Evans (*nephew of Peggy's friend*), Rebecca Cook (*Evelyn's cousin*), Family of Nancy Powell especially husband Gene Powell (*Evelyn's friend*), Michael Miracle (*Kip & Lyn's nephew*)

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Birthdays: Evelyn Renshaw 8/4, Patsy Dickerson 8/6, Lydia Sydnor 8/9, KJ DeHaven 8/12, Leigh Anne Martin 8/12, Jean Branscom 8/17, Dot Langford 8/17, Fred Coots 8/19, Sue Goodpasture 8/22, Gardner Branscom 8/23, Jane Jones 8/31

First Scripture Reading:

Exodus 3:1-15

¹Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Mid'ian; and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ²And the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush; and he looked, and lo, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. ³And Moses said, "I will turn aside and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt." ⁴When the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here am I." ⁵Then he said, "Do not come near; put off your shoes from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." ⁶And he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. ⁷Then the Lord said, "I have seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt, and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters; I know their sufferings, ⁸and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Per'izzites, the Hivites, and the Jeb'usites. ⁹And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. ¹⁰Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring forth my people, the sons of Israel, out of Egypt." ¹¹But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the sons of Israel out of Egypt?" ¹²He said, "But I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought forth the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God upon this mountain." ¹³Then Moses said to God, "If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" ¹⁴God said to Moses, "I am who I am." And he said, "Say this to the people of Israel, 'I am has sent me to you.'" ¹⁵God also said to Moses, "Say this to the people of Israel, 'The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': this is my name for ever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations.

Second Scripture Reading:

Matthew 16:21-28

²¹From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²²And Peter took him and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid, Lord! This shall never happen to you." ²³But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me; for you are not on the side of God, but of men." ²⁴Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ²⁵For whoever would save his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. ²⁶For what will it profit a man, if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life? Or what shall a man give in return for his life? ²⁷For the Son of man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay every man for what he has done. ²⁸Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of man coming in his kingdom."

Hymns:

Trust and Obey

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1 When we walk with the Lord in the light of his Word, what a glory he sheds on our way! While we do his good will, he abides with us still, and with all who will trust and obey.

Refrain:

Trust and obey, for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

4 Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at his feet, or we'll walk by his side in the way;
what he says we will do, where he sends we will go—never fear, only trust and obey.
(Refrain)

Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated

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1 Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee; take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love, at the impulse of thy love.

4 Take my love, my God, I pour at thy feet its treasure store; take myself and I will be ever, only, all for thee, ever, only, all for thee.

O Jesus, I Have Promised

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1 O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end; be thou forever near me, my Master and my Friend: I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side, nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.

4 O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee, that where thou art in glory, there shall thy servant be; and, Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end; O give me grace to follow, my Master and my Friend.