

Fincastle Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

January 17, 2021 – 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: "How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

Stuart Townsend Arr. By Carol Tomquist
Lori Turner, Guest Pianist

Welcome and Announcements:

Call to Worship: Psalm 95:1,2

(unison)

O come, let us sing unto the Lord: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms.

Prayer of Invocation:

The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min

Hymn: #43

"A Mighty Fortress"

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 may be 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 from 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: #823

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

Assurance of Pardon:

(unison)

Hear the good news! 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

Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer:

Hymn: #635

"He Leadeth Me"

Prayer of Illumination:

The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min

Scripture Reading:

1 Samuel 3:1-10

Old Testament Reading

John 1:35-42

New Testament Reading

Sermon:

"The Hearing & Receiving of God's Word"

The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min

*Profession of Faith:

The Apostles' Creed

Hymn: #306

"Standing on the Promises"

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude: "The Church's One Foundation"

Samuel S. Wesley Arr. Cindy Berry
Lori Turner, Guest Pianist

Announcements

Prayer Concerns: Laura Holt McCann, Jean Branscom, Jackie Ferrel, Mary Lee Reese, Mary Black, Clyde & Nathalie Givens, Kaki Peaslee, Doug Ross, Dianne & John Poynor, Marilyn Koch (Lisa's Mother), Alexis Porter (Porter's Granddaughter), Molly Rose (Valerie Lucas's Cousin), Family of Gwen Griffith, Gretchen Greiner, Lisa Curlee (Sarah Bulmer's Sister), Phyllis Tenser, Marc Evans (Nephew of Peggy's Friend), Michael Miracle (Kip & Lyn's Nephew), Family of Paul Fitzgerald, Ronan, 4 mo. old son of Monica & Kendal (JoAnne Snowden's Friends), Michael & Sandy Petrucci (Lynne Bolton's Friend), Sharon Lane (Sandy's Friend) Dana & Billie Wilson (Sue Porter's brother & sister-in-law), Lilly Porter (Porter's Granddaughter), Evelyn Renshaw, Alan Brenner, Marlene Davidow (Lynne's Friend)

Thank you Lori Turner: for being our pianist for this service.

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Birthdays: Carolyn Kniceley 1/5, Julia Richardson 1/12, Mike Goad 1/13, Mark Schade 1/17, Becky DesChamps 1/23

First Scripture Reading:

1 Samuel 3:1-10

¹Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. And the word of the Lord was rare in those days; there was no frequent vision. ²At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim, so that he could not see, was lying down in his own place; ³the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down within the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. ⁴Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" ⁵and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. ⁶And the Lord called again, "Samuel!" and Samuel arose and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." ⁷Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸And the Lord called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. ⁹Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for thy servant hears.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. ¹⁰And the Lord came and stood forth, calling as at other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for thy servant hears."

Second Scripture Reading:

John 1:35-42

³⁵The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples; ³⁶and he looked at Jesus as he walked, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God!" ³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸Jesus turned, and saw them following, and said to them, "What do you seek?" And they said to him, "Rabbi" (which means Teacher), "where are you staying?" ³⁹He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying; and they stayed with him that day, for it was about the tenth hour. ⁴⁰One of the two who heard John speak, and followed him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. ⁴¹He first found his brother Simon, and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which means Christ). ⁴²He brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him, and said, "So you are Simon the son of John? You shall be called Cephas" (which means Peter).

Hymns:

A Mighty Fortress

1 A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; our helper he, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; his craft and power are great, and, armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.

4 That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth; the Spirit and the gifts are ours thro' him who with us sideth. Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; the body they may kill: God's truth abideth still; his kingdom is forever.

He Leadeth Me

1 He leadeth me, O blessed thought, O words with heavenly comfort fraught! Whate'er I do, where'er I be, still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Refrain:

He leadeth me, he leadeth me, by his own hand he leadeth me! His faithful follower I would be, for by his hand he leadeth me.

3 And when my task on earth is done, when by thy grace the victory's won, e'en death's cold wave I will not flee, since God through Jordan leadeth me. [Refrain]

Standing on the Promises

1 Standing on the promises of Christ my King, through eternal ages let his praises ring--"Glory in the highest," I will shout and sing, standing on the promises of God.

[Refrain:]

Standing, standing, standing on the promises of Christ my Savior; standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God.

4 Standing on the promises I cannot fall, listening every moment to the Spirit's call, resting in my Savior as my all in all, standing on the promises of God. (Refrain)