

# Fincastle Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 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

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude: "What a Day That Will Be"

Jim Hill  
Lori Turner, Guest Pianist/Organist

Welcome and Announcements:

Call to Worship: (unison)

**Our Help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth. If you seek the Lord your God, you will find Him, if you seek Him with all your heart, and with all your soul. Praise the Lord. The Lord's name be praised.**

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

Hymn: #540 "Take Time to Be Holy"

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 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: #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. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

\*Gloria Patri: #805

**Glory be to the Father, and to 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: #442 "O Come to Me the Master Said"

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

Scripture Reading:  
Psalm 22:25-31 Old Testament Reading  
John 15:1-8 New Testament Reading

Sermon: "Jesus Is The True Vine"  
*The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min*

Moment for Meditation:

Meditation Music: "I will Arise and Go To Jesus" Folk Melody

\*Profession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

Hymn: #441 "Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling"

\*Charge and Blessing

\*Postlude: "Amazing Grace"  
Arr. Mark Hayes  
Lori Turner, Guest Pianist/Organist

## Announcements

**Prayer Concerns:** Laura Holt McCann, Family of Jean Branscom, Mary Lee Reese, Mary Black, Nathalie Givens, Kaki Peaslee, Dianne & John Poynor, Marilyn Koch (Lisa's Mother), Alexis Porter (Porter's Granddaughter), Molly Rose (Valerie Lucas's Cousin), Gretchen Greiner, Lisa Curlee (Sarah Bulmer's Sister), Phyllis Tenser, Marc Evans (Nephew of Peggy's Friend), Betty Miracle (Kip's Sister), Michael & Sandy Petrucci (Lynne Bolton's Friend), Peggy Davis, Sharon Lane (Sandy's Friend) Dana & Billie Wilson (Sue Porter's brother & sister-in-law), Abigail Nikle (Porter's Granddaughter), Geneva Ratliff (Porter's Friend), Evelyn Renshaw, Marlene Davidow (Lynne's Friend), Anna Burton (fiancée of Daniel Rader), Weldon Martin (Susan Martin's Husband)

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

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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:**

#### **Psalm 22:25-31**

<sup>25</sup> From thee comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will pay before those who fear him. <sup>26</sup> The afflicted shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the Lord! May your hearts live for ever! <sup>27</sup> All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord; and all the families of the nations shall worship before him. <sup>28</sup> For dominion belongs to the Lord, and he rules over the nations. <sup>29</sup> Yea, to him shall all the proud of the earth bow down; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, and he who cannot keep himself alive. <sup>30</sup> Posterity shall serve him; men shall tell of the Lord to the coming generation, <sup>31</sup> and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn, that he has wrought it.

### **Second Scripture Reading:**

#### **John 15:1-8**

<sup>1</sup> I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. <sup>2</sup> Every branch of mine that bears no fruit, he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. <sup>3</sup> You are already made clean by the word which I have spoken to you. <sup>4</sup> Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. <sup>5</sup> I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in me, and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. <sup>6</sup> If a man does not abide in me, he is cast forth as a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire and burned. <sup>7</sup> If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you will, and it shall be done for you. <sup>8</sup> By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit, and so prove to be my disciples.

### **Hymns:**

#### **Take Time to Be Holy**

1 Take time to be holy, speak oft with thy Lord; abide in him always, and feed on his Word. Make friends of God's children; help those who are weak, forgetting in nothing his blessing to seek.

#### **O Come to Me the Master Said**

1 O come to me, the Master said, my Father knows your need; and I shall be, the Master said, your bread of life indeed. By faith in him we live and grow and share the broken bread, and all his love and goodness know, for so the Master said.

#### **Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling**

1 Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, calling for you and for me; see, on the portals he's waiting and watching, watching for you and for me.

Refrain: Come home, come home, ye who are weary, come home; earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling, O sinner, come home!