Church Directory

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The Session

Clerk of Session: John Kilby

2021: Lynne Bolton, Alan Brenner, John Griffith, Becky Downs

2022: Sandy Gates, Lyn Burton

2023: Cathy Goad, Paul Phillippe, Bo Trumbo

Trustees

Bob Omer, Garland Jones, Peggy Davis

The Church Staff

Interim Minister: The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min.
Treasurer: Hal Bailey
Organist & Choir Director: Rose Ann Burgess
Bookkeeper: Beth Clark

Please contact Beth at (540) 473-2042 or fincastlepresbyterianchurch@gmail.com by Tuesday at 9am with items you want included in the bulletin.

The Church Calendar

Morning Worship	10:30am
Session	. 4th Thursday of each month

The Presbyterian Church at Fincastle, Virginia, whose congregation dates to 1763, is a continuation of the Sinking Spring and Spreading Spring congregations formed prior to 1760 and the Mt. Union congregation organized in 1832. The original building was erected in 1771 for the established Church of England in Botetourt County. Presbyterians have worshipped here continuously since the Revolutionary War.

Fincastle Presbyterian Church



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

Service for the Lord's Day

17th Sunday after Pentecost September 19, 2021 – 10:30am (In Person & Live Streaming)

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude: "Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings"

Charles Callahan Rose Ann Burgess, organist

Welcome and Announcements:

The Introit: "Surely the Presence of the Lord is in This Place"

The Choir

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place; I can feel his mighty power and his grace. I can hear the brush of angels' wings, I see glory on each face; Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

Call to Worship:

Leader: Let us worship God. Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and

earth.

People: At the name of Jesus every knee should bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Leader: Praise the Lord.

People: The Lord's name be praised.

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

Hymn: #802 "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship"

Call to Confession:

Leader: If we claim to be sinless, we are self-deceived and strangers to the truth.

People: If we confess our sins, God is just, and may be trusted to forgive our sins and cleanse us from every kind of wrong.

All: Let us admit our sin before God.

Prayer of Confession: (unison)

(Psalm 51, adapted)

O God.

Have mercy upon us according to thy loving- kindness. According unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquities, and cleanse us from our sins. For we acknowledge our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us.

Create in us clean hearts, O God. Renew a right spirit within us. Cast us not away from thy presence. Take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Silent Confession: Amen

Kvrie: #823

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

Assurance of Pardon: (unison)

Almighty God, who doth freely pardon all who repent and turn to Him, now fulfill in every contrite heart the promise of redeeming grace, remitting all our sins, and cleansing us from an evil conscience, through the perfect sacrifice of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

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:

Offertory Anthem: "He Touched Me" William J. Gaither
*Doxology # 809 The Choir

*Prayer of Dedication

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

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 1

Hymn: #436 "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love"

New Testament Reading: Mark 9:30-37

Sermon: "Humility: Christ's Way to Life"

The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min

Moment for Meditation: "Largo" A. Corelli

*Profession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

Hymn: #591 "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude: "Allegro Moderato"

J. Bernards

Rose Ann Burgess, organist

*Standing

Announcements

Prayer Concerns: Laura Holt McCann, Mary Lee Reese, Mary Black, Nathalie Givens, Kaki Peaslee, Dianne Poynor, Marilyn Koch (Lisa's Mother), Alexsis 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), Peggy Davis, Dana & Billie Wilson (Sue Porter's brother & sister-in-law), Abigail Nikle (Porter's Granddaughter), Geneva Ratliff (Porter's Friend), Marlene Davidow (Lynne's Friend), Anna Burton (fiancée of Daniel Rader), Meg Omer, Rick Vari, Mary Beth Huwe, Family of Glenna Hinson, Hiawatha "Hi" Niceley, Troy Ivey (The Porter's son-in-law), Garland Jones

The session has called a congregational meeting for Sunday, October 5th at 7pm by zoom: for the purpose of electing 3 members from the congregation to serve on the Nominating Committee

Birthdays: John Kilby 9/10, Verna Shuey 9/18, Sarah Bulmer 9/30

Hymns:

BRETHREN, WE HAVE MET TO WORSHIP

- 1, Brethren, we have met to worship and adore the Lord our God; will you pray with all your power, while we try to preach the word? All is vain, unless the Spirit of the Holy One comes down: Brethren, pray, and holy manna will be showered all around.
- 2. Sisters, will you join and help us? Moses' sisters aided him; will you help the trembling mourners who are struggling hard with sin? Tell them all about the Savior--tell them that he will be found: Sisters, pray, and holy manna will be showered all around.
- 3. Let us pause before our maker and in silence hear his voice; Christ the Living Word now meets us: in his truth let us rejoice. What we are should not appall us for his mercy meets us here; we are now made one in Jesus, may our worship be sincere.
- 4 Let us love our God supremely, let us love each other too; let us love and pray for sinners till our God makes all things new. Then he'll call us home to heaven, at his table we'll sit down; Christ will gird himself and serve us with sweet manna all around.

DEAR LORD and FATHER of MANKIND

- 1. Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways; reclothe us in our rightful mind, in purer lives thy service find, in deeper reverence, praise.
- 2. In simple trust like theirs who heard, beside the Syrian sea, the gracious calling of the Lord, let us, like them, without a word, rise up and follow thee.
- 3. O sabbath rest by Galilee, O calm of hills above, where Jesus knelt to share with thee the silence of eternity, interpreted by love!
- 4. Drop thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease; take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace. 5. Breathe through the hearts of our desire thy coolness and thy balm; let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire, O still, small voice of calm.

JESU. JESU. FILL US with YOUR LOVE

Refrain: Jesu, Jesu fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.

- 1, Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet, Master who acts as a slave to them. **Refrain**
- 2. Neighbors are rich and poor, neighbors are black and white, Neighbors are near and far away. **Refrain**
- 3. These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should love, all these are neighbors to us and you. **Refrain**
- 4. Loving puts us on our knees, serving as though we are slaves, this is the way we should live with you. **Refrain**
- 5. Kneel at the feet of our friends, silently washing their feet. This is the way we should live with you. **Refrain**

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Scripture:

Psalm 1

¹ Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; ² but his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night. ³ He is like a tree planted by streams of water, that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers. ⁴ The wicked are not so, but are like chaff which the wind drives away. ⁵ Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous; ⁶ for the Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

Mark 9:30-37

³⁰ They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he would not have any one know it; ³¹ for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of man will be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him; and when he is killed, after three days he will rise." ³² But they did not understand the saying, and they were afraid to ask him. ³³ And they came to Caper'na-um; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you discussing on the way?" ³⁴ But they were silent; for on the way they had discussed with one another who was the greatest. ³⁵ And he sat down and called the twelve; and he said to them, "If any one would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all." ³⁶ And he took a child, and put him in the midst of them; and taking him in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷ "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."