

# Fincastle Presbyterian Church

## Church Directory

PO Box 144, Fincastle VA 24090  
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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

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by Tuesday at 9am with items you want included in the bulletin.

## The Church Calendar

Morning Worship.....10:30am

Session..... 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month



## Mission Statement

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Striving to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ  
Growing in God

Through uplifting and inspiring spiritual experiences  
And serving our community in love

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.

## Service for the Lord's Day

25<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021 – 10:30am (In Person & Live Streaming)

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude: "We Gather Together"

Martha Sobaje  
Rose Ann Burgess, organist

Welcome and Announcements:

The Introit: "Let the Whole Creation Cry, Alleluia!"

The Choir

Call to Worship:

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

**Many: 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.**

One: Praise the Lord.

**Many: The Lord's name be praised.**

Prayer of Invocation:

The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min

Hymn: #612

"How Firm a Foundation"

Call to Confession:

One: The proof of God's amazing love is this:

**Many: while we were sinners Christ died for us.**

One: Because we have faith in him,

**Many: we dare with confidence to approach God.**

**All: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.**

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:

One: Who is in a position to condemn?

**Many: Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.**

**All: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel: 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:

Offertory Anthem: "Laudamus Te" (We Praise You)

Natalie Sleeth

\*Doxology # 809

The Choir

\*Prayer of Dedication

Prayer of Illumination:

The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min

Old Testament Reading:

1 Samuel 1:9-20; 1 Samuel 2:1 & 2

Hymn: Hymn # 520

"'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

New Testament Reading:

Mark 13:1-8

Sermon: "Where Is Our Hope In a Hopeless World?"

The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min

Moment for Meditation: "Interlude 2"

Andrew Moore

\*Profession of Faith:

The Apostles' Creed

Hymn: # 130

"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

\*Charge and Blessing

\*Postlude: "Allegro"

John Stanley  
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), Molly Rose (Valerie Lucas's Cousin), Gretchen Greiner, Lisa Curlee (Sarah Bulmer's Sister), Betty Miracle (Kip's Sister), Peggy Davis, Marlene Davidow (Lynne's Friend), Meg Omer, Rick Vari, Mary Beth Huwe, Hiawatha "Hi" Niceley, Billie Wilson (Sue Porter's s.-in-law). The family of Bill Gump ( Sue's uncle). Gail Womble (Sandy Gates' s.-in-law). The family of Alec Girman (Verna's cousin). The family of Anita Lambert (Sandy Gates' friend)

**Birthdays:** Garland Jones 11/3, Nick DesChamps 11/12, Jim Porter 11/26

**Angel Tree:** We are participating with Social Services to provide Christmas gifts for Botetourt families. This year we will collect donations and the Angel Tree committee will purchase the gift certificates and take them to Social Services on December 10. Members can send their Angel Tree donations to Fincastle Presbyterian Church with ANGEL TREE in the memo line of the check. Please send donations in by December 5.

**Please send donations to:** Fincastle Presbyterian Church  
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## Hymns:

### How Firm a Foundation

1 How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!

What more can he say than to you he has said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

2 "Fear not, I am with you; O be not dismayed, for I am your God, and will still give you aid. I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

3 "When through the deep waters I call you to go, the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow, for I will be with you, your troubles to bless, and sanctify to you the deepest distress.

4 "When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie, my grace, all sufficient, shall be your supply. The flames shall not hurt you. I only design your dross to consume, and your gold to refine.

5 "The soul that on Jesus still leans for repose, I will not, I will not desert to its foes. That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake

### 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

1 'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, and to take him at his word; just to rest upon his promise, and to know, "Thus saith the Lord."

**Refrain:** Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er! Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more!

2 O how sweet to trust in Jesus, just to trust his cleansing blood; and in simple faith to plunge me neath the healing, cleansing flood! [Refrain]

3 Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus, just from sin and self to cease; just from Jesus simply taking life and rest, and joy and peace. [Refrain]

4. I'm so glad I learned to trust thee, precious Jesus, Savior, Friend, and I know that thou art with me, wilt be with me to the end. (Refrain)

### O For a Thousand Tongues To Sing

1 O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!

2 Jesus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease, 'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.

3 He breaks the power of cancelled sin, he sets the prisoner free; his blood can make the foulest clean; his blood availed for me.

4 He speaks, and listening to his voice, new life the dead receive; the mournful, broken hearts rejoice; the humble poor believe.

5 My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread thro' all the earth abroad the honors of your name.

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## Scripture:

### 1 Samuel 1:9-20

<sup>9</sup> After they had eaten and drunk in Shiloh, Hannah rose. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the Lord. <sup>10</sup> She was deeply distressed and prayed to the Lord, and wept bitterly. <sup>11</sup> And she vowed a vow and said, "O Lord of hosts, if thou wilt indeed look on the affliction of thy maidservant, and remember me, and not forget thy maidservant, but wilt give to thy maidservant a son, then I will give him to the Lord all the days of his life, and no razor shall touch his head." <sup>12</sup> As she continued praying before the Lord, Eli observed her mouth. <sup>13</sup> Hannah was speaking in her heart; only her lips moved, and her voice was not heard; therefore Eli took her to be a drunken woman. <sup>14</sup> And Eli said to her, "How long will you be drunken? Put away your wine from you." <sup>15</sup> But Hannah answered, "No, my lord, I am a woman sorely troubled; I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the Lord. <sup>16</sup> Do not regard your maidservant as a base woman, for all along I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation." <sup>17</sup> Then Eli answered, "Go in peace, and the God of Israel grant your petition which you have made to him." <sup>18</sup> And she said, "Let your maidservant find favor in your eyes." Then the woman went her way and ate, and her countenance was no longer sad. <sup>19</sup> They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the Lord; then they went back to their house at Ramah. And Elka'nah knew Hannah his wife, and the Lord remembered her; <sup>20</sup> and in due time Hannah conceived and bore a son, and she called his name Samuel, for she said, "I have asked him of the Lord."

### 1 Samuel 2:1-2

<sup>1</sup> "My heart exults in the Lord; my strength is exalted in the Lord. My mouth derides my enemies, because I rejoice in thy salvation. <sup>2</sup> "There is none holy like the Lord, there is none besides thee; there is no rock like our God.

### Mark 13:1-8

<sup>1</sup> And as he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what wonderful stones and what wonderful buildings!" <sup>2</sup> And Jesus said to him, "Do you see these great buildings? There will not be left here one stone upon another, that will not be thrown down." <sup>3</sup> And as he sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew asked him privately, <sup>4</sup> "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign when these things are all to be accomplished?" <sup>5</sup> And Jesus began to say to them, "Take heed that no one leads you astray. <sup>6</sup> Many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. <sup>7</sup> And when you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is not yet. <sup>8</sup> For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places, there will be famines; this is but the beginning of the birth-pangs.