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Church Directory

PO Box 144, Fincastle VA 24090
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The Session

Clerk of Session: John Kilby

2022: Sandy Gates, Lyn Burton, Hal Bailey

2023: Cathy Goad, Paul Phillippe, Bo Trumbo

2024: Fred Coots, Lynne Bolton, Jim Porter

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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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

3rd Sunday in Lent

March 20th 2022 – 10:30am (In Person & Live Streaming)

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude: Forty Days and Forty Nights

arr. Charles Callahan
Rose Ann Burgess, organist

Welcome and Announcements:

Introit: When Jesus Wept

William Billings
Gallery Singers

Call to Worship: Psalm 95:6,7

One: O come, let us worship and bow down:

Many: let us kneel before the Lord our maker.

One: For he is our God;

Many: and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

Prayer of Invocation:

The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min

Hymn: #16

Give to Our God Immortal Praise

Call to Confession: Isaiah 55:6,7

One: Seek ye the Lord while he may be found,

Many: call ye upon him while he is near:

One: let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts:

Many: and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon them;

All: and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

Prayer of Confession: unison

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 sin. For we acknowledge our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us. Create in us clean hearts, O God; and renew a right spirit within us. Cast us not away from thy presence; and take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Silent Confession: **Amen**

Kyrie: #823

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

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Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 103:8, 10-12

One: The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy.

Many: He has not dealt with us after our sins, nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.

One: As the heaven is high above the earth, so great is his mercy toward them that fear him.

Many: As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

All: 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: Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley

*Doxology #809

*Prayer of Dedication

African American Spiritual
Gallery Singers

Prayer of Illumination:

The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min

Old Testament Reading:

Isaiah 55:1-9

Hymn: #41

Stand Up and Bless the Lord

New Testament Reading:

Luke 13:1-9

Sermon: "The Question We Can and Should Answer"

The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min

Moment for Meditation: Aberystwyth

Ann Slowins

*Profession of Faith:

The Apostles' Creed

Hymn: #618

Give to the Winds Your Fears

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude: If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee

Neumark/ Schreiner
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), Lisa Curlee (Sarah Bulmer's Sister), Marlene Davidow (Lynne's Friend), Meg Omer, Rick Vari, Mary Beth Huwe, Hiawatha "Hi" Niceley, Billie Wilson (Sue Porter's s.-in-law), Mary Woodard, Amy Ward (Family of Sue Porter), The family of Phyllis Tenser, The Family George Etzler, Family of Gary Crizer (Sandy's daughter-in-law's father), The Family of Tabitha Thompson, Paul Langford (brother-in-law of Dot Langford & uncle to Leigh Anne Martin), The Family of Judy Morris, Peggy Davis, Weldon Martin

Birthdays: Hal Bailey 6-Mar, Ed Shuey 6-Mar, Nathalie Givens 8-Mar, Cal Beasley 8-Mar, Mary Lee Reese 9-Mar, Hal Bailey Jr. 10-Mar, Leigh Littleton 13-Mar, Alan Brenner 25-Mar, Patty Vari 29-Mar

Scripture:

Isaiah 55:1-9

¹“Ho, every one who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. ²Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Hearken diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in fatness. ³Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. ⁴Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. ⁵Behold, you shall call nations that you know not, and nations that knew you not shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you. ⁶“Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; ⁷let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. ⁸For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, says the Lord. ⁹For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

Luke 13:1-9

¹There were some present at that very time who told him of the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. ²And he answered them, “Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans, because they suffered thus? ³I tell you, No; but unless you repent you will all likewise perish. ⁴Or those eighteen upon whom the tower in Silo'am fell and killed them, do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others who dwelt in Jerusalem? ⁵I tell you, No; but unless you repent you will all likewise perish.” ⁶And he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. ⁷And he said to the vinedresser, ‘Lo, these three years I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and I find none. Cut it down; why should it use up the ground?’ ⁸And he answered him, ‘Let it alone, sir, this year also, till I dig about it and put on manure. ⁹And if it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.’”

Hymns:

Give to Our God Immortal Praise

Give to our God immortal praise; mercy and truth are all his ways: wonders of grace to God belong; repeat his mercies in your song.

2 He built the earth, he spread the sky, and fixed the starry lights on high: wonders of grace to God belong; repeat his mercies in your song.

3 He fills the sun with morning light; he bids the moon direct the night: his mercies ever shall endure, when suns and moons shall shine no more.

4 He sent his Son with power to save from guilt, and darkness and the grave: wonders of grace to God belong; repeat his mercies in your song.

5 Through this vain world he guides our feet, and leads us to his heavenly seat: his mercies ever shall endure, when this our world shall be no more.

Stand Up and Bless the Lord

1 Stand up and bless the Lord, you people of His choice, stand up and bless the Lord your God with heart and soul and voice.

2 Though high above all praise, above all blessing high, who would not fear His holy name, give thanks and glorify?

3 God is our strength and song, and his salvation ours; then be his love in Christ proclaimed with all our ransomed powers.

4 Stand up and bless the Lord, the Lord your God adore; stand up and bless his glorious name, both now and evermore.

Give to the Winds Your Fears

1 Give to the winds your fears, in hope be undismayed; God hears your sighs and counts your tears, God shall lift up your head; through waves and clouds and storms he gently clears the way; wait for his time, so shall the night soon end in joyous day.

2 Far, far above your thought his counsel shall appear, when fully he the work has wrought that caused your needless fear. Leave to God's sovereign will to choose and to command: with wonder filled you then shall own how wise, how strong his hand.