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# **Church Directory**

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## The Session

Clerk of Session: John Kilby

2022: Sandy Gates, Lyn Burton, Hal Bailey2023: Cathy Goad, Paul Phillippe, Bo Trumbo2024: 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

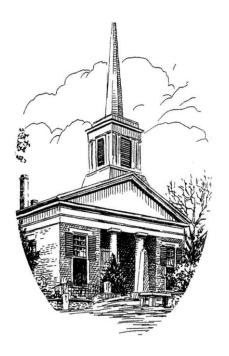
Please contact Beth at (540) 473-2042 or fincastlepresbyterianchurch@gmail.com by Tuesday at 9am with items you want included in the bulletin.

## **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

4th Sunday in Lent

March 27<sup>th</sup> 2022 – 10:30am (In Person & Live Streaming)

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude: If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee

J. C. Kuhnau Rose Ann Burgess, organist

Welcome and Announcements:

Call to Worship: 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,

Many: and the unrighteous their thoughts;

One: let him return unto the Lord, that he will have mercy upon them.

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

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

Hymn: #381 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

Call to Confession:

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

Many: 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

Most holy and merciful God,

We acknowledge and confess before Thee: our sinful nature prone to evil and slothful in good; and all our shortcomings and offenses. Thou alone knowest how often we have sinned: in wandering from Thy ways; in wasting Thy gifts; in forgetting Thy love.

But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us who are ashamed and sorry for all wherein we have displeased Thee. Teach us to hate our errors. Cleanse us from our secret faults. Forgive us our sins, for the sake of Thy dear Son.

And, O most holy and loving Father, help us, we beseech Thee, to live in Thy light and walk in Thy ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Silent Confession: Amen

Kyrie: #823

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

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Fincastle Presbyterian Church PO Box 144 Fincastle, VA 24090 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.

One: If a person is in Christ, that person becomes a new person altogether-

Many: the past is finished and gone, everything has become fresh and new.

All: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

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: What Wondrous Love Is This Hymnal #212 Southern Harmony, 1835

\*Doxology #809 Leigh Ann Martin, soloist

\*Prayer of Dedication

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

Old Testament Reading: Joshua 5:9-12

Hymn: #549 Jesus Keep me near the Cross

New Testament Reading: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Sermon: "There was a man who had two sons."

The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min

Moment for Meditation: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross arr. David Dysert

\*Profession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

Hymn: #486 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

\*Charge and Blessing

\*Postlude: Andante Cantabile A. Guilmant

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), Paul Langford (brother-in-law of Dot Langford & uncle to Leigh Anne Martin), The Family of Judy Morris, Peggy Davis, Ben Womble (brother-in-law of Sandy), C Beasley

**Easter Tulips for In Memory or In Honor**: Sign-up Sheet is on bulletin board and cost is \$14 for tulips deadline is April  $4^{th}$ .

**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:

#### Joshua 5:9-12

<sup>9</sup> And the Lord said to Joshua, "This day I have rolled away the reproach of Egypt from you." And so the name of that place is called Gilgal to this day. <sup>10</sup> While the people of Israel were encamped in Gilgal they kept the passover on the fourteenth day of the month at evening in the plains of Jericho. <sup>11</sup> And on the morrow after the passover, on that very day, they ate of the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. <sup>12</sup> And the manna ceased on the morrow, when they ate of the produce of the land; and the people of Israel had manna no more, but ate of the fruit of the land of Canaan that year.

#### Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

<sup>1</sup> Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. <sup>2</sup> And the Pharisees and the scribes murmured, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them." <sup>3</sup> So he told them this parable:

<sup>11</sup> And he said, "There was a man who had two sons; <sup>12</sup> and the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of property that falls to me.' And he divided his living between them. <sup>13</sup> Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took his journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in loose living. 14 And when he had spent everything, a great famine grose in that country, and he began to be in want. <sup>15</sup> So he went and joined himself to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed swine. <sup>16</sup> And he would gladly have fed on the pods that the swine ate; and no one gave him anything. <sup>17</sup> But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, but I perish here with hunger! 18 I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; <sup>19</sup> I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me as one of your hired servants." <sup>20</sup> And he arose and came to his father. But while he was yet at a distance, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. 21 And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.'[22] But the father said to his servants, 'Bring guickly the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet; 23 and bring the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and make merry; <sup>24</sup> for this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to make merry. 25 "Now his elder son was in the field; and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. <sup>26</sup> And he called one of the servants and asked what this meant. <sup>27</sup> And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has received him safe and sound.' 28 But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, <sup>29</sup> but he answered his father, 'Lo, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command; yet you never gave me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends. 30 But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your living with harlots, you killed for him the fatted calf!' 31 And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. 32 It was fitting to make merry and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found."

#### Hymns:

- 1 Come, ye thankful people, come; raise the song of harvest home. All is safely gathered in ere the winter storms begin. God, our maker, does provide for our wants to be supplied; come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.
- 2 All the world is God's own field, fruit unto his praise to yield, wheat and tares together sown, unto joy or sorrows grown. First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear, Lord of harvest, grant that we wholesome grain and pure may be.
- 3 For the Lord our God shall come and shall take his harvest home, from his field shall in that day all offenses purge away, give his angels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast, but the fruitful ears to store in his garner evermore.
- 4 Even so, Lord, quickly come to your final harvest home, gather all your people in, free from sorrow, free from sin,

there, forever purified, in your presence to abide. Come, with all your angels, come, raise the glorious harvest home.

#### 549 JESUS KEEP ME NEAR THE CROSS

1 Jesus, keep me near the cross; there a precious fountain, free to all, a healing stream, flows from Calvary's mountain.

[Refrain:] In the cross, in the cross, be my glory ever, till my raptured soul shall find rest beyond the river.

- 2 Near the cross, a trembling soul, love and mercy found me; there the bright and morning star sheds its beams around me. (Refrain)
- 3 Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its scenes before me; help me walk from day to day with its shadow o'er me. (Refrain)
- 4 Near the cross I'll watch and wait, hoping, trusting ever, till I reach the golden strand just beyond the river. (Refrain)

#### 486 THERE'S A WIDENESS IN GOD'S MERCY

- 1 There's a wideness in God's mercy like the wideness of the sea; there's a kindness in his justice which is more than liberty.
- 2 There is welcome for the sinner and more graces for the good; there is mercy with the Savior; there is healing in his blood.
- 3 For the love of God is broader than the measure of our mind; and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.
- 4 If our love were but more simple, we would take him at his word, and our lives would be illumined by the presence of our Lord.