

Announcement and Concerns of the Church

Prayer List: Mary Black, Nathalie Givens, Paul Langford (Dot Langford's brother-in-law and Leigh Anne Martin's uncle), Laura Holt McCann, Meg and Bob Omer, Doug Paysour, the family of Kaki Peaslee, Ronan Purcella (great nephew of Danette Heinlein), Mary Lee Reese, Doug Ross, Whitney Wolford (friend of the Baileys)

- ◆ Please check the calendar downstairs and signup for **Fellowship for 2023!**
- ◆ Thank you to all of our members who generously supported our annual **Christmas Angel Tree** project. We raised \$1225 for gift certificates for Social Services to distribute those in need this year.
- ◆ Happy Birthday, Carolyn Knicely, who is celebrating her special day on Thursday 1/5!
- ◆ Please don't forget to sign up as a **Duty Elder** if appropriate. The January Calendar is on the bulletin board. We need sign ups for Sunday, January 15!



Copyright: All rights reserved. Reprinted/Recorded with permission under One License #A- 73950 The Worshipping Church Hymnal: 1990 Hope Publishing Co. Carol Stream, IL Service Music, # 823 Kyrie, #805 Gloria Patri, #809 Doxology. Hymns: #697 "In Christ There is No East or West" ;#192 "O Sing a Song of Bethlehem"; #306 "Standing on the Promises"; Service Music: "My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness", Traditional / Arr. Randall Hartsell; "What Makes a Wise Man Wise" Jimmy Travis Getzen; "We Three Kings" John H. Hopkins/Arr. Alan Simon; " This Little Light of Mine" Harry Dixon Loes; Lord Dismiss Us with Your Blessing" #834 The Worshipping Church Hymnal: John Fawcett/Sicilian Melody

Fincastle Presbyterian Church



Mission Statement:

Striving to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, growing in God through uplifting and inspiring spiritual experiences, and serving the community in love.

Service for the Lord's Day

Baptism of the Lord Sunday

January 8, 2023—10:30 am (In Person & Live Streaming)

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude *"My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness"*
Traditional/Arr. Randall Hartsell

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Mission: Lori Turner on her upcoming trip to Naples

Call to Worship: (Psalm 148:1-5)

One: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights!

Many: Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all all his host!

One: Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars!

Many: Praise him, you highest heaven, and you waters above the heavens!

All: Let them praise the name of the Lord, for he commanded and they were created.

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn: #697 *"In Christ There is No East or West"*

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Call to Confession: (Matthew 2)

**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)

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: Lord have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us. #823

Assurance of Pardon:

**One:** Hear the good news! This statement is completely reliable and should be universally accepted: Christ Jesus entered the world to rescue sinners.

**Many:** He personally bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that we might be dead to sin and alive to all that is good.

**ALL:** Friends: believe the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven

Gloria Patri: **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.** #805

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer.

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Offering

Offertory Anthem *"What Makes a Wise Man Wise?"*
Jimmy Travis / Getzen

Doxology: **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen** #808

Prayer of Dedication

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Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament Reading: p. 622 (Pew Bible) Isaiah 42:1-9

Hymn: #192 *"O Sing a Song of Bethlehem"*

New Testament Reading: p. 837 (Pew Bible) Matthew 3:13-17

Sermon: *"Who Is Jesus, the Christ?"*  
(He Is the Son of God!)

Moment for Meditation: *"We Three Kings"*

John H. Hopkins/Arr Alan Simon

Profession of Faith: #14 Apostle's Creed

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Hymn: #306 *"Standing on the Promises"*

Closing Prayer

Charge and Blessing

All: Sung response *"This Little Light of Mine"*
Harry Dixon Loes

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine (2x)

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

Postlude:

"Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"
Hymnal #834, John Fawcett/Sicilian Melody.

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Friday 9:00-3:00**

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Isaiah 42:1-9

¹ Behold my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
I have put my Spirit upon him,
he will bring forth justice to the nations.
² He will not cry or lift up his voice,
or make it heard in the street;
³ a bruised reed he will not break,
and a dimly burning wick he will not quench;
he will faithfully bring forth justice.
⁴ He will not fail or be discouraged
till he has established justice in the earth;
and the coastlands wait for his law.

⁵ Thus says God, the LORD,
who created the heavens and stretched them out,
who spread forth the earth and what comes from it,
who gives breath to the people upon it
and spirit to those who walk in it:
⁶ "I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness,
I have taken you by the hand and kept you;
I have given you as a covenant to the people,
a light to the nations,
⁷ to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
from the prison those who sit in darkness.
⁸ I am the LORD, that is my name;
my glory I give to no other,
nor my praise to graven images.
⁹ Behold, the former things have come to pass,
and new things I now declare;
before they spring forth
I tell you of them."

Matthew 3:13-17

¹³ Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to
John, to be baptized by him.
¹⁴ John would have prevented him, saying, "I
need to be baptized by you, and do you come
to me?"
¹⁵ But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for
thus it is fitting for us to fulfil all righteousness."
Then he consented.
¹⁶ And when Jesus was baptized, he went up im-
mediately from the water, and behold, the heav-
ens were opened and he saw the Spirit of God
descending like a dove, and alighting on him;
¹⁷ and lo, a voice from heaven, saying, "This is
my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

#697 In Christ There is No East or West

1 In Christ there is no east or west,
in him no south or north,
but one great fellowship of love
throughout the whole wide earth.

2 In him shall true hearts everywhere
their high communion find;
his service is the golden cord
close binding humankind.

3 Join hands, disciples of the faith,
whate'er your race may be!
Who serves my Father as his child
is surely kin to me.

4 In Christ now meet both east and west;
in him meet north and south;
all Christly souls are one in him
throughout the whole wide earth.

#192 O Sing a Song of Bethlehem

1 O sing a song of Bethlehem, of shepherds
watching there,
and of the news that came to them from an-
gels in the air:
the light that shone on Bethlehem fills all the
world today;
of Jesus' birth and peace on earth the angels
sing alway.

2 O sing a song of Nazareth, of sunny days of
joy,
O sing of fragrant flowers' breath, and of the
sinless Boy:
for now the flowers of Nazareth in every heart
may grow;
now spreads the fame of his dear name on all
the winds that blow.

3 O sing a song of Galilee, of lake and woods
and hill,
of him who walked upon the sea and bade the
waves be still:
for though, like waves on Galilee, dark seas of
trouble roll,
when faith has heard the Master's word, falls
peace upon the soul.

4 O sing a song of Calvary, its glory and dis-
may;
of him who hung upon the tree, and took our
sins away:
for he who died on Calvary is risen from the
grave,
and Christ, our Lord, by heaven adored, is
mighty now to save.

#306 Standing on the Promises

1 Standing on the promises of Christ
my King,
through eternal ages let his praises ring--
"Glory in the highest," I will shout and
sing,
standing on the promises of God.

[Refrain:]
Standing, standing,
standing on the promises of Christ my
Savior;
standing, standing,
I'm standing on the promises of God.

2 Standing on the promises that cannot
fail,
when the howling storms of doubt and
fear assail,
by the living Word of God I shall prevail,
standing on the promises of God.
(Refrain)

3 Standing on the promises of Christ the
Lord,
bound to him eternally by love's strong
cord,
overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword,
standing on the promises of God.
(Refrain)

4 Standing on the promises I cannot fall,
listening every moment to the Spirit's
call,
resting in my Savior as my all in all,
standing on the promises of God.
(Refrain)

This Little light of Mine

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