

Announcement and Concerns of the Church

Prayer List: Mary Black, Darren Engle (Keith McMurry's son-in-law), Martha Etzler Cam, Nathalie Givens, Mike Goad, Peggy Hughes, Elaine Kravnick, the family of Paul Langford, Laura Holt McCann, Meg and Bob Omer, Doug Paysour, Mary Lee Reese, Whitney Wolford (friend of the Baileys), the family of Emmett Yonce.

- ◆ Please check the calendar downstairs and signup for **Fellowship for 2023!**
Let's get March completely covered!
- ◆ The **Bell Choir** will be practicing on Sundays after Worship and all are welcome to join in! We look forward to hearing the Bells at future worship services.
- ◆ **Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA)** is providing emergency relief and short-term recovery for the recovery effort after the **02/06 earthquake in Syria and Turkey**. Please send all donations to Presbytery of the Peaks, PO Box 2519, Forest, VA 24551 with the designation DR999999-ST Earthquake.
- ◆ **Lenten Services and Lunch's**—Don't forget to use your Insert in the bulletin to mark those Wednesday on your Calendar.
- ◆ Don't forget to check the sign-up sheet under the bulletin board, if you are interesting in providing **Easter Flowers** for this sanctuary. All orders must be indicated before March 15.
- ◆ The **Bible Study, "The Case for Easter"** will begin this coming Monday, 3/6/23 in the fellowship hall, led by Lyn Burton. It will continue every Monday through 03/27.



Copyright: All rights reserved. Reprinted/Recorded with permission under One License #A- 73950 The Worshiping Church Hymnal: 1990 Hope Publishing Co. Carol Stream, IL Service Music, # 823 Kyrie, #805 Gloria Patri, #809 Doxology. Hymns: #72 "To God be the Glory" ;#27 "O Splendor of God's Glory Bright"; #723 "Revive us Again"; Will you Let me be Your Servant, GLORY TO GOD, The Presbyterian Hymnal; #739 "Pass it On; Service Music: "Simple Gifts" Traditional Shaker Melody; "Seek Ye First" Karen Lafferty; "Amazing Love/ Love Divine All Loves Excelling" Billy James Foote / Charles Wesley; "Shine, Jesus, Shine" Graham Kendrick

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

2nd Sunday in Lent

March 5, 2023—10:30 am (In Person & Live Streaming)

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude

"Simple Gifts"

Traditional Shaker Melody

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship:

One: Let us worship God. Thank God, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, that in his great mercy we have been born again into a life full of hope, through Christ's Rising from the dead.

Many: **God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself—not counting their sins against them—and has commissioned us with the message of reconciliation.**

One: Praise the Lord!

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

Prayer of Invocation

2 Cents A Meal and Thanksgiving offering

Hymn *"Will you Let me be Your Servant"*

Will you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you?
Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.

Hymn: #72

"To God be the Glory"

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Call to Confession:

**One:** The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were sinners Christ died for us.

**Many:** **Because we have faith in him, we dare with confidence to approach God.**

**All:** **Let us ask God to forgive us.**

Prayer of Confession: (unison)

Almighty God,

You love us, but we have not loved you. You call, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped up in our own concerns. We have gone along with evil, with prejudice, warfare, and greed.

God our Father, help us to face up to ourselves, so that as you move toward us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness, 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:** Almighty God, who freely pardons all who repent and turn to Him, now fulfill in every contrite heart the promise of redeeming grace;

**Many:** **remitting all our sins, and cleansing us from an evil conscience, through the perfect sacrifice of Christ Jesus our Lord.**

**All Amen**

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.

Offering

Offertory Anthem

*"Seek Ye First"*

Karen Lafferty

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

Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament Reading: (Pew bible pages 9 )

Genesis 12:1-4

and

(Pew bible page 536)

Psalms 121

Hymn: #27

*"O Splendor of God's Glory Bright"*

New Testament Reading: (Pew bible page 924)

John 3:1-21

Sermon:

*"God Calls Us out of Our Darkness, To Dwell in God's Marvelous Light!"*

Moment for Meditation

*"Amazing Love / Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"*

Billy James Foote /

Charles Wesley

Profession of Faith: #14

Apostle's Creed

Hymn: #723

*"Revive us Again"*

Closing Prayer

Charge and Blessing

Sung Response # 739

*Pass it On (Refrain)*

*"That's how it is with God's love, once you've experienced it; You spread His love to everyone; you want to pass it on."*

Postlude:

*"Shine, Jesus, Shine"*

Graham Kendrick

## Calendar of Events:

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Lunch following

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## 2022 Benevolences from General Endowment Fund

### as Approved by the Session

|                 |                                                                                                                         |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| \$ 3,000        | 2022 Bill Branscom FPC Fund (through Botetourt County Dept. of Social Services)                                         |
| \$ 3,200        | 2022 Church Budget Benevolences<br>\$1,200 – Botetourt Food Pantry<br>\$2,000 – Troutville & Fincastle Fire Departments |
| \$ 500          | Presbyterian Children’s Home of the Highlands, Inc. (PCHH)                                                              |
| \$ 200          | Local Office on Aging – Botetourt (LOA)                                                                                 |
| \$ 500          | Roanoke Area Ministries (RAM House)                                                                                     |
| \$ 500          | Botetourt Food Pantry (St. Mark’s Episcopal)                                                                            |
| \$ 400          | Eastern Appalachian Teen Challenge                                                                                      |
| \$ 500          | Troutville Baptist Food Pantry                                                                                          |
| \$ 100          | Child Health Investment Partnership (CHIP)                                                                              |
| \$ 400          | James River High School – Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)                                                        |
| \$ 400          | Salvation Army – Roanoke                                                                                                |
| \$ 500          | Botetourt YMCA (Scholarship Fund - Fiscal year ending August 2023) (2023 Annual Campaign)                               |
| <u>\$10,200</u> | Total Benevolences*                                                                                                     |

\* Property Endowment paid \$1800 toward 2022 Church entrance paint project (½ from Memorial Funds).

\* Property Endowment paid \$3,200 toward 2022 Church Budget maintenance and \$400 toward mowing.

\* General Endowment funds purchased Caldwell Cottage in 2005 and has rented and maintained it since that time.

## Song history for: **To God be the Glory**, written by Fanny J. Grosby, Music by William H. Doane

The gospel hymn first appeared in a Sunday school collection, *Brightest and Best*, compiled by William Doan and Robert Lowry in 1875. In 1952 the Billy Graham Crusade Team went to England, where they first made extensive use of the hymn in their meetings. It was an immediate success. Upon their return to the United States, they found the same enthusiastic response by American audiences. It has been a favorite hymn ever since

## Song history for: **Revive Us Again**, written by William P. Mackay, Music by John J. Husband

The author of *Revive Us Again*, William Paton MacKay, was a Scottish Presbyterian minister. After his education at the University of Edinburgh, he practiced medicine for a number of years before being called to the Christian ministry in 1868. Written in 1863 but revised four years later, this hymn text was based on Habakkuk 3:2: “Lord, I have heard of Your fame; I stand in awe of Your deeds, remember mercy.” The hymn was included in Ira Sankey’s *Gospel Hymns and Sacred Songs* of 1875, under the title “O Lord, Revive Thy Work.”

Information from:: *Amazing Grace, 366 Inspiring Hymn Stories for Daily Devotions*, Kenneth W. Osbeck, © 1990 by Kregel Publications



**Wednesday Lenten Services and Lunch**  
**Fincastle United Methodist Church**  
**Family Life Center—**  
**137 S. Church Street**



Join us on Wednesdays in Lent for a short, 20 minute service beginning at 12:05 pm with music and messages of faith and hope from area pastors. A home-cooked lunch immediately follows each service at 12:30 p.m. The service and meal are designed to give you time to return home or to work within one hour. Take-out meals will be available.

Parking is available on the street, at the Masonic Lodge, and at the Health Department on the side facing Church Street.. If schools are closed for inclement weather, the service is cancelled



# EASTER SUNDAY FLOWERS!

Would you like to assist in decorating our Sanctuary this coming Resurrection Sunday with an Assortment of Daffodil's and Tulips?

You can choose to designate your flowers in honor of someone or in memory of someone.

Complete the order form on the table in the hallway underneath the bulletin board, indicating your choice of tulips or daffodils.

All orders must be received no later than March 15.

Please designate Easter Flowers in the memo on your check made payable to Fincastle Presbyterian Church. \$15.00 each



### Leading the Worship

- March 1**      **Rev. Willis Logan**  
St. Mark's Episcopal Church Fincastle
- March 8**      **Rev. Dr. David Dickerson**  
Fincastle Presbyterian Church
- March 15**    **Rev. Rob Lough**  
Former Pastor at St. Mark's UMC Daleville
- March 22**    **Pastors Tom & Naomi Powers**  
Daleville Church of the Brethren
- March 29**    **Rev. Fr. David Stanfill**  
Church of the Transfiguration Fincastle

### Lunch Menu

- Potato Soup, Vegetable-Beef Soup, Grilled Cheese Sandwiches, Jello, Salads, Rolls, Desserts
- Potato Bar, Chili, Green Salad, Corn, Muffins, Desserts
- Ham Biscuits, Potato Salad, Fruit, Desserts
- Chicken Salad Croissants, Vegetable Salad, Chips, Desserts
- Sub Sandwiches, Cole Slaw, Chips, Pickles, Desserts

*Menus subject to change. Donations gratefully accepted-any money received above the cost of the food will go to help fund the Blessing Box at Fincastle United Methodist Church. Thank you!*

## Genesis 12:1-4

<sup>1</sup> Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup> And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. <sup>3</sup> I will bless those who bless you, and him who curses you I will curse; and by you all the families of the earth shall bless themselves."

<sup>4</sup> So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran.

## Psalm 121

<sup>1</sup> I lift up my eyes to the hills.  
From whence does my help come?  
<sup>2</sup> My help comes from the LORD,  
who made heaven and earth.  
<sup>3</sup> He will not let your foot be moved,  
he who keeps you will not slumber.  
<sup>4</sup> Behold, he who keeps Israel  
will neither slumber nor sleep.  
<sup>5</sup> The LORD is your keeper;  
the LORD is your shade  
on your right hand.  
<sup>6</sup> The sun shall not smite you by day,  
nor the moon by night.  
<sup>7</sup> The LORD will keep you from all evil;  
he will keep your life.  
<sup>8</sup> The LORD will keep  
your going out and your coming in  
from this time forth and for evermore.

## John 3:1-21

<sup>1</sup> Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicode'mus, a ruler of the Jews. <sup>2</sup> This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." <sup>3</sup> Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of God." <sup>4</sup> Nicode'mus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" <sup>5</sup> Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. <sup>6</sup> That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup> Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' <sup>8</sup> The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." <sup>9</sup> Nicode'mus said to him, "How can this be?" <sup>10</sup> Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? <sup>11</sup> Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup> If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? <sup>13</sup> No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. <sup>14</sup> And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup> that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."

<sup>16</sup> For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup> For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. <sup>18</sup> He who believes in him is not condemned; he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. <sup>19</sup> And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. <sup>20</sup> For every one who does evil hates the light, and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. <sup>21</sup> But he who does what is true comes to the light, that it may be clearly seen that his deeds have been wrought in God.

## #72 To God be the Glory

1 I am weak, but thou art strong;  
Jesus, keep me from all wrong;  
I'll be satisfied as long  
as I walk, let me walk close to thee.

[Refrain:]

Just a closer walk with thee,  
grant it, Jesus, is my plea,  
daily walking close to thee:  
let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

2 Through this world of toil and snares,  
if I falter, Lord, who cares?  
Who with me my burden shares?  
None but thee, dear Lord, none but  
thee. (Refrain)

3 When my feeble life is o'er,  
time for me will be no more;  
guide me gently, safely o'er  
to thy kingdom shore, to thy shore.  
(Refrain)

## #27 O Splendor of God's Glory Bright

1 Lord, who throughout these forty days  
for us didst fast and pray,  
teach us with you to mourn our sins  
and close by you to stay.

2 As you with Satan did contend,  
and did the victory win,  
O give us strength in you to fight,  
in you to conquer sin.

3 As you did hunger and did thirst,  
so teach us, gracious Lord,  
to die to self, and so to live  
by your most holy Word.

4 And thro' these days of penitence,  
and thro' your Passiontide,  
forevermore, in life and death,  
O Lord, with us abide.

5 Abide with us, that through this life  
of doubts and hope and pain,  
an Easter of unending joy  
we may at last attain!

## #723 Revive us Again

Chorus:

Give me that old-time religion  
Give me that old-time religion  
Give me that old-time religion  
It's good enough for me

It was good for Paul and Silas  
It was good for Paul and Silas  
It was good for Paul and Silas  
And it's good enough for me

Chorus:

It was good for the Hebrew children  
It was good for the Hebrew children  
It was good for the Hebrew children  
And it's good enough for me

Chorus:

Makes us love everybody,  
Makes us love everybody,  
Makes us love everybody,  
And it's good enough for me.

Chorus:

## #739 Pass it On

"That's how it is with God's love, once you've experienced  
it;  
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## Will You Let Me be Your Servant?

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