Announcement and Concerns of the Church

Prayer List:

Members: Sandy Gates, Nathalie Givens, John Griffith, Jennifer Kincaid, Meg and Bob Omer

Friends and family of FPC: Mary Black, Mick Caudill (Danette's daughter's father-in-law), Neil Dunnavant (Pastor at FPC from 1992-2003), Lynne Kessler, Laura Holt McCann, Cary Philbrick (friend of the Shueys), Mary Lee Reese, the family of Sandra Reese (close friend of Lyn Burton), and Pat Roberts (Lori Turner's mother).

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- Congregational Meeting—for the stated purpose of electing a Nomination Committee will be held immediately after Worship today.
- We resume Adult Sunday School today starting at 9:30a.m. with a study of the book of Matthew!
- Address for Neil Dunnavant: 3504 Watauga Drive, Greensboro, NC 27410
- Shared Recipes—If you are willing to share some of your favorite recipes, please email them to Patsy at psdicke@yahoo.com or leave a hard copy in a box labeled Recipes in the kitchen at the church. Patsy will start attaching them to the newsletter!
- New Map Sign Dedication— Mark your calendars for September 24. There will be a ceremony immediately following worship to dedicate the new Map Sign in memory of Carol Brenner. A reception will follow.
- Homecoming—October 8 Any and all who have been a part of our church at anytime is invited. Please send address information for anyone whom you want to make sure knows about this event to fincastlepresbyterianchurch@gmail.com, our mailing address at PO Box 144, Fincastle, VA 24090, or call the church at 540.473.2042.

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Service Music: # 823 Kyrie, #805 Gloria Patri, #809 Doxology. Hymns: #802 "Brethren, We Have Met

to Worship" (ISL. 3 © 1990 Hope Publishing Company), #623 "Sweet Hour of Prayer"; #498 "I Love to Tell the Story"; #502 "Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound"; Service Music: "Come, Thou Found of Every Blessing" Arr. R. Hartsell; "Open Our Eyes" R. Cull; "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us/He Leadeth Me" Arr. C. MacMillan; "Here I Am, Lord" D.L. Schutte

Fincastle Tresbyterian Church



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Service for the Lord's Day 15th Sunday after Pentecost

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

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Arr. R. Hartsell

Welcome and Announcements

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

Hymn: #802 (vs 1,3,4) "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship"

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 Father,

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

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

And, O most holy and loving Father, help us, we beseech You, to live in Your light and walk in Your ways, according to the commandments of 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. #805

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

Offertory Anthem "Open Our Eyes"
R. Cull

Doxology: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

Prayer of Dedication

Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament Reading: (Pew bible pg 55) Exodus 12:1 & 11-14

Hymn: #623 "Sweet Hour of Prayer"

New Testament Reading: (Pew bible pg 852)

Matthew 18:15-20

#808

Sermon "New Beginnings, in Christ"

Moment for Meditation "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us/He Leadeth Me"

Arr. C. Mac Millan

Service to Receive New Members, by affirmation of faith and baptism:

David and Jennifer Kincaid, and Kaycee Kincaid, daughter and Mason Kincaid, son.

Profession of Faith: #14

Apostles' Creed "I Love to Tell the Story"

Hymn: #498 Closing Prayer

Charge and Blessing

Sung Response #502 (vs 3) "Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound" "The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures; he will my

shield and portion be as long as life endures."

Postlude: "Here I Am, Lord"

D. L. Schutte

Calendar of Events:

Planned Office hours for week 09/10/2023: Mon 9:00a—2:30p,

Wed. 9:00a—2:30p, Friday 9:00 –2:00p

Sunday, September 10 15th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday School—9:30 am, Logan Room

Worship Service—10:30 am

Congregational Meeting—Immediately following Worship

Service

Duty Elders: Lynne B. and Bo Trumbo

Fellowship: Lyn Burton

Happy Birthday, John Kilby

National Grandparents Day.

Monday, September 11 National Patriots Day
Friday, September 15 National POW/MIA Day
Sunday, September 17 16th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday School—9:30 am, Logan Room

Worship Service—10:30 am

Duty Elders: Jim Porter and Lynne Bolton

Fellowship:

Monday, September 18 Happy Birthday, Verna Shuey 🛓

Tuesday, September 19 Women's Bible Study, 2:00, Fellowship Hall

Saturday, September 23 Historic Fincastle Fall Festival Sunday, September 24 15th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday School—9:30 am, Logan Room

Worship Service—10:30 am

Duty Elders: Jim Porter and Bo Trumbo
Fellowship: Dedication Reception for Sign

Thursday, September 28 Session, 7:00 pm, Fellowship Hall

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Clerk of Session: John Kilby

Class of 2023: Sandy Gates, Lyn Burton,

Hal Bailey

Class of 2024: Cathy Goad, Paul Phillippe,

Bo Trumbo

Class of 2025: Fred Coots, Lynne Bolton, Jim Porter

The Trustees

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The Church Staff

Interim Minister: The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson

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Property: Fred Coots, chairman

Jim Porter, Mike Goad, Paul Phillippe, Lyn and Kip Burton, Ed and Verna

Shuey, Julia Richardson

Fellowship: Jim Porter, chairman

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Old Testament Reading

Exodus 12:1 and 11-14

1 The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt

12 For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will smite all the first-born in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the Lord. 13 The blood shall be a sign for you, upon the houses where you are; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall fall upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt.

14 "This day shall be for you a memorial day, and you shall keep it as a feast to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as an ordinance forever.

New Testament Reading

Matthew 18:15-20

15 "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. 16 But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. 17 If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. 18 Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. 19 Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. 20 For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

#802 "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship"

(Verses 1,3,4)

- 1 Brethren, we have met to worship and adore the Lord our God; will you pray with all your power, while we try to preach the word? All is vain, unless the Spirit of the Holy One comes down: Brethren, pray, and holy manna will be showered all around.
- 3. Let us pause before our Maker and in silence hear his voice; Christ the Living Word now meets us; in his truth let us rejoice. What we are should not appall us for his mercy meets us here; we are now made one in Jesus, may our worship be sincere.
- 4 Let us love our God supremely, let us love each other too; let us love and pray for sinners till our God makes all things new. Then he'll call us home to heaven, at his table we'll sit down; Christ will gird himself and serve us with sweet manna all around.

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#623 Sweet Hour of Prayer"

- 1 Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, that calls me from a world of care, and bids me at my Father's throne make all my wants and wishes known: in seasons of distress and grief my soul has often found relief, and oft escaped the tempter's snare by thy return, sweet hour of prayer
- 2 Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, thy wings shall my petition bear, to him whose truth and faithfulness engage the waiting soul to bless; and since he bids me seek his face, believe his word, and trust his grace, I'll cast on him my every care, and wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.

#498 I Love to Tell the Story

1 I love to tell the story of unseen things above, of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love. I love to tell the story because I know 'tis true; it satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.

Refrain:

I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory, to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

- 2 I love to tell the story,
 'tis pleasant to repeat
 what seems, each time I tell it,
 more wonderfully sweet.
 I love to tell the story,
 for some have never heard
 the message of salvation
 from God's own Holy Word. [Refrain]
- 3 I love to tell the story, for those who know it best seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.
 And when in scenes of glory I sing the new, new song, 'twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long. [Refrain]

Sung Response #502 (verse 3)

"Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound"

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