

Announcement and Concerns of the Church

Prayer List:

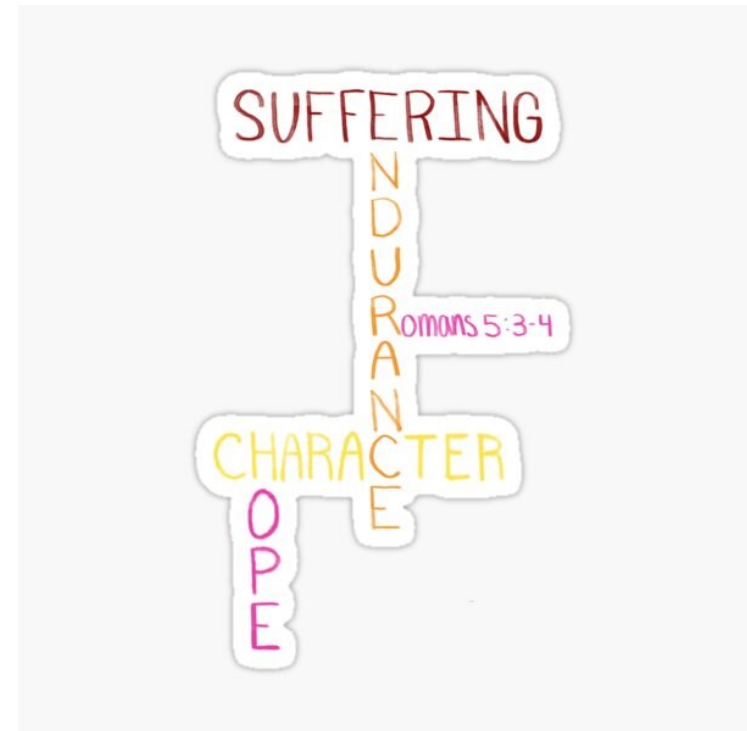
Members: Sandy Gates, Nathalie Givens, John Griffith, Jennifer Kincaid, Meg and Bob Omer

Friends and family of FPC: Mary Black, Mick Caudill (Danette's daughter's father-in-law), Darren Engle (Keith McMurry's son-in-law), Lynne Kessler, Laura Holt McCann, the family of Agnes Painter (B. Painter's mother), Doug Paysour, Mary Lee Reese, the family of Sandra Reese (close friend of Lyn Burton), Pat Roberts (Lori Turner's mother), and the family of Reddie Waid.

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- ◆ **Congregational Meeting—for the state purpose of electing a Nomination Committee** will be held Immediately after Worship Service on Sept 10.
- ◆ **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!
- ◆ **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.
- ◆ **Wildfires in Hawaii**— The Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is working with the Presbytery of the Pacific to discuss ways they can support those impacted by the devastating fires. To support this response, mark your checks with DR000165. Your check will go through Presbytery of the Peaks.

Fincastle Presbyterian Church



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Service Music: # 823 Kyrie, #805 Gloria Patri, #809 Doxology. Hymns: #62 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"; #482 "My Hope Is in the Lord"; #679 "When We all Get to Heaven"; #21 "How Great Thou Art"; Service Music: "He is Exalted" T. Paris; "Don't Forget His Love (Psalm 103)" E. Holcomb; "Great is Thy Faithfulness" T. Chisholm; "Sweet By and By" Bennett/Webster

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Service for the Lord's Day

14th Sunday after Pentecost

September 3, 2023—10:30 am (In Person & Live Streaming)

Chiming of the Hour
Prelude

"He is Exalted"
T. Paris

Welcome and Announcements
Call to Worship: (Isaiah 55:6,7)

One: Seek ye the Lord while the Lord may be found,
Many: Call ye upon God while God is near:
One: let the wicked forsake their way,
Many: and the unrighteous their thoughts:
One: and let them return unto the Lord, and the Lord will have mercy upon them;
Many: and to our God, for God will abundantly pardon.

Prayer of Invocation
Hymn: #62 (Vs 1,3,4)

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"



Call to Confession:

One: Let us confess our sin,
Many: trusting God's promised mercy.

Prayer of Confession: (unison)

Almighty God,
You have lifted up our Lord Jesus from death into life eternal, and set Him over all humankind and nations. We confess that we have not bowed before Him, or acknowledged His rule in our lives. We have gone along with the way of the world, and been unmindful of our neighbor's needs.

Forgive us, O God, and lift us out of sin, and into a new life filled with hope. Make of us a people who live to praise you, and to obey the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is King of the world and head of the Church, His body.

Silent Confession: **Amen**

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

Assurance of Pardon:

One: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Assurance of Pardon: (continued)

All: As God's own people, and with the Lord's help, we will be merciful in action, kindly in heart, humble in mind. We will be always ready to forgive as freely as the Lord has forgiven us. And above everything else, we will be loving, and never forget to be thankful for what God has done for us.

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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2 Cents A Meal 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.

Offering

Offertory Anthem *"Don't Forget His Love (Psalm 103)"*
E. Holcomb

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: (Pew bible pg 620) Isaiah 40:27-31

Hymn: #482 "My Hope Is in the Lord"

New Testament Reading: (Pew bible pg 980) Romans 5:1-5  
(Pew bible pg 983) Romans 8:28-39  
(Pew bible pg 986) Romans 11:33-36

Sermon *"The Church's Great Hope: Part 2"*  
(the 3rd paragraph of The Apostles Creed)

Moment for Meditation *"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"*  
T. Chisholm

Profession of Faith: #14 Apostles' Creed

Hymn: #679 (Vs 1-3) *"When We All Get to Heaven"*

Closing Prayer

Charge and Blessing

Sung Response #21 (refrain) *"How Great Thou Art"*  
*"Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee, How great Thou art, how great thou art;*  
*then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee, How great Thou art, how great, Thou Art.*

Postlude: *"Sweet By and By"*  
Bennett/Webster

## Calendar of Events:

**Planned Office hours for week 09/03/2023: Wed 9:00a—2:30p,  
Thur. 9:00a—2:30p, Friday 9:00 —2:00p**

**Sunday, September 3** 14th Sunday after Pentecost  
**Worship Service—10:30 am**  
Duty Elders: Cathy Goad and Lynne Bolton  
Fellowship: P. Dickerson  
**2¢ A Meal Special Offering**  
Monday, September 4 Labor Day (bank holiday) office closed  
Tuesday, September 5 Office closed, Danette out of town  
**Sunday, September 10** 15th Sunday after Pentecost  
**Sunday School—9:30 am**  
**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** 16h Sunday after Pentecost  
**Sunday School—9:30 am**  
**Worship Service—10:30 am**  
Duty Elders: Jim Porter and Lynne Bolton  
Fellowship: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Happy Birthday, Verna Shuey 🎂**  
**Tuesday, September 19** Women's Bible Study, 2:00, Fellowship Hall



**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

Bob Omer, Garland Jones, Peggy Davis

### The Church Staff

*Interim Minister:* The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson

*Treasurer:* Hal Bailey

*Music Director:* Lori Turner

*Secretary/Bookkeeper:* Danette Heinlein

## Session Committees

**Property:** Fred Coots, chairman

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

**Fellowship:** Jim Porter, chairman

John Kilby, John Griffith, Paul Phillippe, Bob Omer, Fred Coots

**Worship:** Lynne Bolton, chairman

Patsy Dickerson, Betty Painter, Peggy Davis, Danette Heinlein

**Christian Education:** Lyn Burton, chairman

Verna Shuey, Patsy Dickerson

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**Mission:** Paul Phillippe, chairman

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**Congregational Care:** Cathy Goad, chairman

Peggy Davis

**Communications:** Sandy Gates, chairman

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**Newsletter:** Patsy Dickerson, editor

Anyone who has something to contribute

**Grant:** Patsy Dickerson, chairman

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## Old Testament Reading

### Isaiah 40:27-31

27 Why do you say, O Jacob,  
and speak, O Israel,

“My way is hid from the LORD,  
and my right is disregarded by my God”?

28 Have you not known? Have you not heard?

The LORD is the everlasting God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He does not faint or grow weary,  
his understanding is unsearchable.

29 He gives power to the faint,  
and to him who has no might he increases  
strength.

30 Even youths shall faint and be weary,  
and young men shall fall exhausted;

31 but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their  
strength,

they shall mount up with wings like eagles,  
they shall run and not be weary,  
they shall walk and not faint.

## New Testament Readings

### Romans 5:1-5

<sup>1</sup> Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>2</sup> Through him we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we<sup>l</sup> rejoice in our hope of sharing the glory of God. <sup>3</sup> More than that, we<sup>l</sup> rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup> and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup> and hope does not disappoint us, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us.

### Romans 8:28-39

<sup>28</sup> We know that in everything God works for good with those who love him, who are called according to his purpose. <sup>29</sup> For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the first-born among many brethren. <sup>30</sup> And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

### Romans 11:33-36

<sup>33</sup> O the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

<sup>34</sup> “For who has known the mind of the Lord,  
or who has been his counselor?”

<sup>35</sup> “Or who has given a gift to him  
that he might be repaid?”

<sup>36</sup> For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory for ever. Amen.

## #62 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

(Verses 1,3,4)

1 Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
most blessed, most glorious, the An-  
cient of Days,  
almighty, victorious, thy great name we  
praise.

3 To all life thou givest, to both great  
and small;  
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;  
we blossom and flourish as leaves on  
the tree,  
and wither and perish— but naught  
changeth thee.

4 Great Father of glory, pure Father of  
light,  
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their  
sight;  
all praise we would render; O help us to  
see  
'tis only the splendor of light hideth  
thee.

## #482 My Hope Is in the Lord

1 My hope is in the Lord  
who gave himself for me,  
and paid the price of all  
my sin at Calvary.

Refrain:  
For me he died for me he lives,  
and everlasting life and  
light he freely gives.

2 No merit of my own  
his anger to suppress,  
my only hope is found  
in Jesus' righteousness.  
(Refrain)

3 And now for me he stands  
before the Fathers throne,  
he shows his wounded hands,  
and names me as his own.  
(Refrain)

4 He grace has planned it all;  
'tis mine but to believe,  
and recognize his work  
of love , and Christ receive.  
(Refrain )

## #679 When We All Get to Heaven

1 Sing the wondrous love of Jesus,  
sing his mercy and his grace;  
in the mansions bright and blessed  
he'll prepare for us a place.

Refrain:  
When we all get to heaven,  
what a day of rejoicing that will be!  
When we all see Jesus,  
we'll sing and shout the victory.

2 While we walk the pilgrim pathway  
clouds will overspread the sky,  
but when traveling days are over,  
not a shadow, not a sigh. (Refrain)

3 Let us then be true and faithful,  
trusting, serving every day;  
just one glimpse of him in glory  
will the toils of life repay. (Refrain)

4 Onward to the prize before us!  
Soon his beauty we'll behold;  
soon the pearly gates will open;  
we shall tread the streets of gold. (Refrain)

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