

Announcement and Concerns of the Church

Prayer List:

Members: Nathalie Givens, Rena Heslop, Jennifer Kincaid, Meg and Bob Omer

Friends and family of FPC: Mary Black, Mick Caudill (Danette's daughter's father-in-law), Arthur Cook (infant friend of Shueys), Neil Dunnivant (Pastor at FPC from 1992-2003), Dane Hamren (community friend), Barbara Harris (Hi Nicely's friend) Tim & Danette Heinlein, Lynne Kessler, Sawyer Lucas (Valerie's grandson), Laura Holt McCann, Erin Nicely (Hi Nicely's daughter-in-law), Hi Nicely, Mary Lee Reese, Pat Roberts (Lori Turner's mother) and Joyce Bolton Turbyfill (Lynne Bolton's Aunt).



- ◆ **Back Street Bell Ringers:** Are you ready to gather in preparation for the upcoming Christmas Season? Bell practice will begin November 5th after worship. All are welcome! No prior experience is necessary. Come enjoy the fellowship of this fun group as we make a joyful noise! See Lori for questions and details.
- ◆ The Nominating Committee is ready to present a slate of Officers for the Session Class of 2026. The Session has called a **Congregation Meeting** for Sunday, November 12, immediately following the worship service.
- ◆ Mark your calendar for the next **Women's bible study** on Tuesday, November 14 at 2:00PM. We will be studying Mary.
- ◆ Please check out the **Fellowship and Duty Elder** Sign up Sheets! Let's fill them up so that we have no open spots left!
- ◆ **Planned office hours for the week of 11-05-2023:** Wednesday, 11/08/23 9:00 am-2:30 pm; Thursday, 11/09 9:00 - 2:30 pm; Friday, 11/10 9 am to 2:00 pm
- ◆ **Angel Tree:** We are collecting money to purchase gift cards for Botetourt County Social Services again, this year. If you would like to participate in this Christmas outreach program, make your check payable to FPC, and mark Angel Tree in the comments. If you have any questions, please reach out to Verna Shuey or Ginnie Phillippe.

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The Worshiping Church Hymnal: 1990 Hope Publishing Co. Carol Stream, IL — Service Music: # 823 Kyrie, #805 Gloria Patri, #809 Doxology. Hymns: #790 "The Church's One Foundation"; #657 "All Things Are Yours"; #568 "Take My Life and Let it Be. Glory to God The Presbyterian Hymnal: 2013 Westminster John Knox Press, Louisville, Kentucky — #727 "Will You Let Me Be Your Servant, The Servant Song Service Music: "Hyfrydol"/Prichard/various arrangers; "Ye Servants of God Your Master Proclaim"/ J.M. Haydn/Arr. Deasley; "Holly, Holy, Holy and "This is My Father's World" Dykes/ Sheppard/Arr. Deasley; Jesus Shall Reign" (Duke Street)-Hatton/Arr. Deasley

Fincastle Presbyterian Church



Mission Statement:

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Service for the Lord's Day

23rd Sunday after Pentecost

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

2¢-a-meal Sunday

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude

"Hyfrydol"
Prichard/various arrangers

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: (Isaiah 55:6,7) (KJV)

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: and let them return unto the Lord,
and he will have mercy upon them;

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

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn: #689

"The Church's One Foundation "



Call to Confession:

One: Let's confess our sins together.

Prayer of Confession: (unison) (for Reformation Sunday which was Oct. 29)

God of our Ancestors,,

You raised up brave men and women to reform the church. We confess that we have lost our way again, and need new reformation. We are content with easy religion, with too much money and too little charity; we cultivate indifference. Lord, let your word shake us up, and your Spirit renew us, so that we may repent, have better faith, and never shrink from sacrifice; in the name of Jesus Christ our only Lord and Savior.

Silent Confession: **Amen**

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



Assurance of Pardon:

One: Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ.

Many: and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.

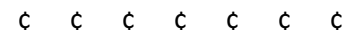
One: Hear and believe the good news of the gospel: God is love.

Many: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

All: **By God's grace, may we be reconciled to God our Father. 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



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

"Ye Servants of God Your Master Proclaim"

J.M.Haydn/Arr. Deasley

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

Prayer of Dedication

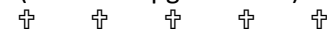


Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament Reading : (Pew bible pgs. 187-188) Joshua 3:7-17

Hymn: #657 "All Things Are Yours"

New Testament Reading: (Pew bible pg. 857-858) Matthew 23:1-12



Sermon "Called to be Servant Leaders
i.e., to Practice What We Preach"

Moment for Meditation "Holy, Holy, Holy and "This Is My Father's World"
?Dykes/Sheppard/Arr. Deasley

Profession of Faith: #14 Apostles' Creed

Hymn: #568 "Take My Life & Let It Be"

Closing Prayer

Charge and Blessing

Sung Response #708, Verse 1 "Blest Be the tie That Binds "

"Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;

the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

Postlude: "Jesus Shall Reign"

(Duke street)-Hatton/Arr. Deasley

Calendar of Events:

Sunday, November 5 23th Sunday after Pentecost
2 c a meal Sunday
Sunday School, 9:30
Worship Service: 10:30
Duty Elders: Cathy Goad & _____
Fellowship: Patsy D. and Lynne B

Tuesday, November 7
Friday, November 11
Sunday, November 12 24th Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday School, 9:30
Worship Service: 10:30
Duty Elders: Paul Phillippe & John Kilby
Fellowship: _____
Happy Birthday, Nick Deschamps 🎂
Women's Bible Study, 2:00 Fellowship Hall
Saturday, November 18 Men's Breakfast, Troutville, Greenwood Restaurant, 9:00am
Sunday, November 19 25th Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday School, 9:30
Worship Service: 10:30
Duty Elders: Bo Trumbo & _____
Fellowship: _____
Thanksgiving Day

Thursday, November 23

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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

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**

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Shuey, Julia Richardson*

**Fellowship: Jim Porter, chairman**

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

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**Communications: Sandy Gates, chairman**

*Patsy Dickerson, Lynne Bolton, JoAnn Snowden, Peggy Davis*

**Newsletter: Patsy Dickerson, editor**

*Anyone who has something to contribute*

**Grant: Patsy Dickerson, chairman**

*Alan Brenner, Paul Phillippe, David Dickerson, Fred Coots, Bo Trumbo*

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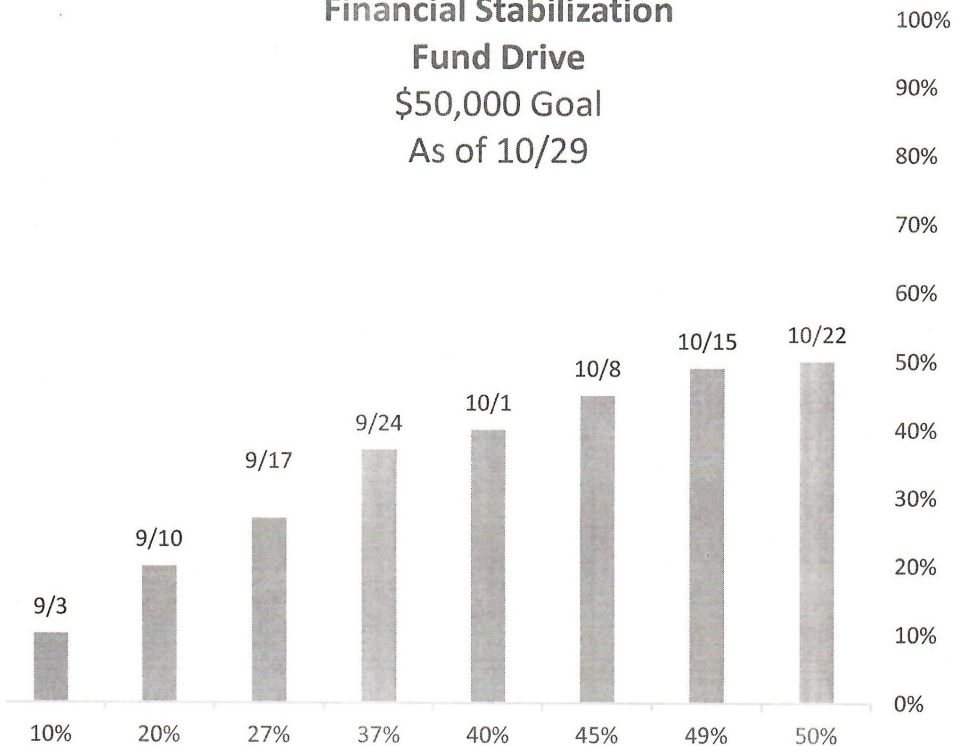
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**The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D.Min.**

.....the story behind .....

**Financial Stabilization  
Fund Drive  
\$50,000 Goal  
As of 10/29**



At the age of 26, John Fawcett and his new bride, Mary, began their ministry at an impoverished Baptist church in Wainsgate, England. After seven years of devoted service in meager circumstances, they received a call to the large and influential Carter's Lane Baptist Church in London. After the wagons were loaded for the move, the Fawcetts met their tearful parishioners for a final farewell.

Mary and John together decided that they couldn't leave, and that they would remain. "We just cannot break the ties of affection that bind us to you dear friends," were Mary's words. Pastor John decided to express his feelings in a poem about the value of Christian fellowship.

The following Sunday, John Fawcett preached from Luke 12:15: "A man's life consists not in the abundance of the things he possesses." he closed his sermon by reading his new poem, "Brotherly Love."

**From Letter to Congregation, dated: August 29,2023:** "The session has recommended and approved for our church to conduct a Financial Stabilization Fund Drive. This is over and beyond what we have pledged, tithed, or given as a free-will offering. This would provide additional operating funds."

The above graph, shows the status of the fund drive. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this church effort, allowing us to maintain our 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.

## Old Testament Reading

### Joshua 3:7-17

7 And the LORD said to Joshua, "This day I will begin to exalt you in the sight of all Israel, that they may know that, as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. 8 And you shall command the priests who bear the ark of the covenant, 'When you come to the brink of the waters of the Jordan, you shall stand still in the Jordan.'" 9 And Joshua said to the people of Israel, "Come hither, and hear the words of the LORD your God." 10 And Joshua said, "Hereby you shall know that the living God is among you, and that he will without fail drive out from before you the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Hivites, the Per'izzites, the Gir'gashites, the Amorites, and the Jeb'usites. 11 Behold, the ark of the covenant of the Lord of all the earth is to pass over before you into the Jordan. 12 Now therefore take twelve men from the tribes of Israel, from each tribe a man. 13 And when the soles of the feet of the priests who bear the ark of the LORD, the Lord of all the earth, shall rest in the waters of the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan shall be stopped from flowing, and the waters coming down from above shall stand in one heap."

14 So, when the people set out from their tents, to pass over the Jordan with the priests bearing the ark of the covenant before the people, 15 and when those who bore the ark had come to the Jordan, and the feet of the priests bearing the ark were dipped in the brink of the water (the Jordan overflows all its banks throughout the time of harvest), 16 the waters coming down from above stood and rose up in a heap far off, at Adam, the city that is beside Zar'ethan, and those flowing down toward the sea of the Arabah, the Salt Sea, were wholly cut off; and the people passed over opposite Jericho. 17 And while all Israel were passing over on dry ground, the priests who bore the ark of the covenant of the LORD stood on dry ground in the midst of the Jordan, until all the nation finished passing over the Jordan.

## New Testament Reading

### Matthew 23:1-12

1 Then said Jesus to the crowds and to his disciples,  
2 "The scribes and the Pharisees sit on Moses' seat;  
3 so practice and observe whatever they tell you, but not what they do; for they preach, but do not practice.  
4 They bind heavy burdens, hard to bear,<sup>[a]</sup> and lay them on men's shoulders; but they themselves will not move them with their finger.  
5 They do all their deeds to be seen by men; for they make their phylacteries broad and their fringes long,  
6 and they love the place of honor at feasts and the best seats in the synagogues,  
7 and salutations in the market places, and being called rabbi by men.  
8 But you are not to be called rabbi, for you have one teacher, and you are all brethren.  
9 And call no man your father on earth, for you have one Father, who is in heaven.  
10 Neither be called masters, for you have one master, the Christ.  
11 He who is greatest among you shall be your servant;  
12 whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted.

## #689 The Church's One Foundation

1 The Church's one foundation  
is Jesus Christ her Lord;  
she is his new creation,  
by water and the word:  
from heaven he came and sought her  
to be his holy bride;  
with his own blood he bought her,  
and for her life he died.

2 Elect from every nation,  
yet one o'er all the earth,  
her charter of salvation;  
one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
one holy name she blesses,  
partakes one holy food,  
and to one hope she presses  
with every grace endued.

3 'Though with a scornful wonder  
we see her sore oppressed,  
by schisms rent asunder,  
by heresies distressed:  
yet saints their watch are keeping,  
their cry goes up, "How long?"  
and soon the night of weeping  
shall be the morn of song.

4 'Mid toil and tribulation,  
and tumult of her war,  
she waits the consummation  
of peace forevermore,  
till with the vision glorious  
her longing eyes are blest,  
and the great Church victorious  
shall be the Church at rest.

## #657 All Things Are Yours

1 All things are yours; we make that true  
when we return our gifts to you;  
and so we give, and so we share,  
in Christ's strong name expressing care.

2 "Give out of love" your Word commands;  
we are your head, your heart, your hands.  
Your Word you underscore with deeds  
by using us to answer needs.

3 O what a joy to give, and then  
out of compassion give again.  
You have no needs--though that be true,  
the gifts we share are given to you.

4 All things are yours: we make that true  
when we return our gifts to you;  
and so we give, and so we share,  
in Christ's strong name expressing care.

## #568 Take My Life and Let It Be

1 Take my life and let it be  
consecrated, Lord, to thee;  
take my hands and let them move  
at the impulse of thy love,  
at the impulse of thy love.

2 Take my feet and let them be  
swift and beautiful for thee;  
take my voice and let me sing  
always, only, for my King,  
always, only, for my King.

3 Take my lips and let them be  
filled with messages for thee;  
take my silver and my gold,  
not a mite would I withhold,  
not a mite would I withhold.

4 Take my love, my God, I pour  
at thy feet its treasure store;  
take myself and I will be  
ever, only, all for thee,  
ever, only, all for thee.

**Sung Response** #708, Verse 1

***"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"***

"Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;  
the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.