

* Hymn: #532

"Be Thou My Vision"

Charge

*Sung Response : #568 (vs. 1)

"Take My Life and Let It Be"

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.

Benediction

Postlude:

"How Majestic Is Your Name"

M. Smith

Concerns of the Church

Prayer List:

Members: Nick and Becky Deschamps, Nathalie Givens, Meg and Bob Omer

Friends and family of FPC: Kathy Atkins and family (Danette's neighbors), Mary Black, Joyce Bolton Turbyfill (Lynne Bolton's Aunt), Mick Caudill (Danette's daughter's father-in-law), Neil Dunnivant (Pastor at FPC from 1992-2003), Brad Hall (the uncle of Verna & Ed's daughter-in-law, Tim Heinlein, Lynne Kessler, Sawyer Lucas and Jackson Hetzel (Valerie's grandsons), Laura Holt McCann, Roderick Plenge (22 yr. old friend of Hi Nicely), Mary Lee Reese.

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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: #584 *"Have Thine Own Way, Lord"*; #532 *"Be Thou My Vision"*; #78 *"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"*; #568 *"Take My Life and Let it Be"*

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Lori Turner, Music Director

Service for the Lord's Day

2nd Sunday in Lent

February 25, 2024 — 10:30 am (In Person & Live Streaming)

Gathering Music Lori Turner

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude *"In Heavenly Love Abiding"*
Finnish Melody / Arr. D. Evans

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: (responsive)

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

* Hymn: #78 *"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"*



Call to Confession: (responsive)

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.

* Please stand if you are able

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Silent Confession: **Amen**

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

Assurance of Pardon: (responsive)

One: Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.

Many: If a person is in Christ, that person becomes new altogether — the past is finished and gone, everything has become fresh and new.

One: Friends: Let us believe the good news of the gospel.

Many: 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



Offering Regular Offering

Offertory Anthem *"Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"*
Rick Founds

* 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 pg. 12) Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

Hymn: #584 (please remain seated) *"Have Thine Own Way, Lord"*

New Testament Reading: (Pew bible pg. 875-876) Mark 8:31-38



Sermon

"Who Do You & I Say that He Is?"

Moment for Meditation

"In the Presence/Like a River Glorious"
Folk Melody/ Arr. Mark Hayes

* Profession of Faith: #14

Apostles' Creed

* Please stand if you are able

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Announcements

Calendar of Events

Sunday, February 25	2nd Sunday in Lent Sunday School: 9:30 am Worship Service: 10:30 am Duty Elders: Jim Porter & Cathy Goad Fellowship Teri Walker Bell Choir Practice following Worship 🎂Happy Birthday Kip Burton!🎂
Monday, February 26	Women's Bible Study Preparing for Easter, 2:00, Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, February 27	Ecumenical Wed. Service & Lunch Fincastle, UMC, Family Life Center, 12:05 PM, <u>Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, speaker</u>
Wednesday, Feb. 28	Leap Day! Session, Fellowship Hall, 7:00 pm
Wednesday, Feb. 29	World Day of Prayer
Friday, March 1	
Sunday, March 3	3rd Sunday in Lent 2 ♣ A Meal Sunday Sunday School: 9:30 am Worship Service: 10:30 am Duty Elders: Lyn Burton & Lyn Bolton Fellowship _____ Bell Choir Practice following Worship No Bible Study today!
Tuesday, March 5	Ecumenical Wed. Service & Lunch Fincastle, UMC, Family Life Center, 12:05 PM
Wednesday, March 6	🎂Happy Birthday Hal Bailey Sr.🎂
Sunday, March 10	4th Sunday in Lent Sunday School: 9:30 am Worship Service: 10:30 am Duty Elders: Lyn Burton & Lynne Bolton Fellowship _____ Bell Choir Practice following Worship 🎂Happy Birthday Hal Bailey Jr.🎂
Tuesday, March 12	Women's Bible Study Preparing for Easter, 2:00, Fellowship Hall 🎂Happy Birthday Julia Richardson🎂
Wednesday, March 13	Ecumenical Wed. Service & Lunch Fincastle, UMC, Family Life Center, 12:05 PM 🎂Happy Birthday Leigh Littleton🎂

- ◆ Mark your Calendars and Join in, each Wednesday during the Lenten Season at 12:05 pm for an **Ecumenical Lenten Service and Lunch**. Listen to music and messages of faith and hope from area pastors, including our own, Rev. Dr. David Dickerson on February 28, 2024.
- ◆ **Bell Choir Practice** is practicing after Worship. If you are interested in preparing Easter music and enjoying fun fellowship, please join us! No experience needed.
- ◆ During February, we are **collecting canned goods** for the Botetourt County Food Pantry at St. Mark's Episcopal Church. There will be a basket in the front of the sanctuary for the collection.
- ◆ There will be a **Women's Bible study, "Preparing for Easter"**, starting February 27 at 2:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please check with Lyn Burton for more information.
- ◆ Please note that the Session has been moved to February 29, on the calendar.
- ◆ Please check the Fellowship calendar in the Fellowship hall and sign up for available Sunday's in March.
- ◆ **Easter Sunday Flowers:** Check the order form on the table in the side hallway under the bulletin board if you wish to order flowers. Details on the bulletin insert.

Clerk of Session: John Kilby

Class of 2024: Cathy Goad, Paul Phillippe, Bo Trumbo

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

Class of 2026: Lyn Burton, Hal Bailey, Patsy Dickerson

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

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:

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

1 When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. 2 And I will make my covenant between me and you and will make you exceedingly numerous." 3 Then Abram fell on his face, and God said to him, 4 "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. 5 No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham, for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. 6 I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. 7 I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

15 God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. 16 I will bless her and also give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

New Testament Reading:

Mark 8:31-38

³¹ Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes and be killed and after three days rise again. ³² He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³ But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

³⁴ He called the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "If any wish to come after me, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵ For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶ For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷ Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸ Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."



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Family Life Center
137 S. Church Street
473-3001**

Join us on Wednesdays in Lent for a short, 20 minute service beginning at 12:05 p.m. 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 canceled.

Leading the Worship

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March 6 Rev. Samuel Plymale St. Mark's UMC Daleville

March 13 Rev. Willis Logan St. Mark's Episcopal Church Fincastle

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#78 O God, Our Help in Ages Past (1-4)

1 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast,
and our eternal home!

2 Under the shadow of thy throne
thy saints have dwelt secure;
sufficient is thine arm alone,
and our defense is sure.

3 Before the hills in order stood,
or earth received her frame,
from everlasting thou art God,
to endless years the same.

4 A thousand ages in thy sight
are like an evening gone;
short as the watch that ends the night,
before the rising sun.

#584 Have Thine Own Way, Lord

1 Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine
own way!
Thou art the potter, I am the clay.
Mold me and make me after thy will,
while I am waiting, yielded and still.

2 Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine
own way!
Search me and try me, Master, today!
Whiter than snow, Lord, wash me just
now,
as in thy presence humbly I bow.

3 Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine
own way!
Wounded and weary, help me, I pray.
Power--all power--surely is thine!
Touch me and heal me, Savior divine!

4 Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine
own way!
Hold o'er my being absolute sway!
Fill with thy Spirit till all shall see
Christ only, always, living in me!

#532 Be Thou My Vision

1 Be thou my Vision, O Lord of my
heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou
art--
thou my best thought, by day or by
night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my
light.

2 Be thou my Wisdom, and thou my
true Word,
I ever with thee and thou with me,
Lord;
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
high King of heaven, my Treasure thou
art.

3 High King of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright
heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.