

* Profession of Faith: #14

Apostles' Creed

* Hymn: #739

"Pass It On"

Charge

*Sung Response : #517 (Refrain)

"The Solid Rock"

On Christ the solid Rock I stand;
all other ground is sinking sand;
all other ground is sinking sand.

Benediction

Postlude:

"Hallelujah, Amen

Arr. Tedd 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), family of Cathy Gause (friend of Sandy Gates), Brad Hall (the uncle of Verna & Ed's daughter-in-law), Tim Heinlein, Jackson Hetzel (Valerie Lucas' grandson), Lynne Kessler, Laura Holt McCann, Roderick Plenge (22 yr. old friend of Hi Nicely), Mary Lee Reese.



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#517 "The Solid Rock"

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Service for the Lord's Day

5th Sunday in Lent

March 17, 2024 —10:30 am (In Person & Live Streaming)

Gathering Music Lori Turner

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude *"When Morning Guilds the Sky"*
J. Barnby/ Arr. R. Hartsell

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: (from the prayer by St. Patrick of Ireland, 389-461 A.D.)

One: Christ be with me, Christ within me,
Christ behind me, Christ before me,
**Many: Christ beside me, Christ to win me,
Christ to comfort me and restore me,**
One: Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,
**Many: Christ in heart of all that love me,
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.**
One: Praise the Lord!
Many: The Lord's name be praised!

Prayer of Invocation

* Hymn: 687 *"Shall We Gather at the River?"*



Call to Confession: (responsive)

One: Remember that our Lord Jesus can sympathize with us in our weaknesses, since in every respect he was tempted as we are yet without sin.
Many: Let us then with boldness approach the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.
All: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Prayer of Confession: (unison)

**Eternal God, our judge and redeemer,
We confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves, and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors, and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed.**

* Please stand if you are able

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In your great mercy forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

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: Hear the good news!
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: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun.
All: Let us embrace that we are forgiven and be at peace.

* 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 *"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"*
J. Barnby/Arr. R. Hartsell

* 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 pg. 680) Jeremiah 31:31-34

Hymn: #678 (please remain seated) *"In The Bulb There is a Flower"*

New Testament Reading: (Pew bible pg. 936,937) John 12:20-33



Sermon

"What Are the Signs of a Successful Life?"

Moment for Meditation

"Medley of Grace."
Traditional American Medley/ Arr. R. Hartsell

* Please stand if you are able

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Calendar of Events



Sunday, March 17	<p>5th Sunday in Lent St. Patrick's Day <u>Sunday School:</u> 9:30 am Worship Service: 10:30 am Duty Elders: Paul Phillippi & Patsy D. Fellowship Danette Heinlein Bell Choir Practice following Worship 🕊️Happy Birthday Jennifer Kincade🕊️</p>
Tuesday, March 19	<p>Women's Bible Study, "<i>Why Easter Matters</i>", 2:00 pm, Fellowship Hall</p>
Wednesday, March 20	<p>Ecumenical Wed. Service & Lunch Fincastle, UMC, Family Life Center 12:05 pm Mr. Rogers Day</p>
Sunday, March 24	<p>Palm Sunday, Beginning of Holy Week <u>Sunday School:</u> 9:30 am Worship Service: 10:30 am Duty Elders: Cathy Goad & Lyn Burton Fellowship Debbie Coots Bell Choir Practice following Worship 🕊️Happy Birthday Alan Brenner🕊️</p>
Monday, March 25	<p>Women's Bible Study, "<i>Why Easter Matters</i>", 2:00 PM, Fellowship Hall</p>
Tuesday, March 26	<p>Maundy Thursday Service—7:00 pm</p>
Thursday, March 28	<p>Good Friday Service, Fincastle UMC— 7:00 pm 🕊️Happy Birthday Patty Vari🕊️</p>
Friday, March 29	<p>Resurrection / Easter Sunday Sunrise Service with FUMC at Godwin Cemetery, 7am Breakfast at FUMC Family Life Center following Sunrise Serv. Worship Service: 10:30 am</p>
Sunday, March 31	<p>Duty Elders: Cathy Goad and _____</p>
Tuesday, April 2	<p>Ferrum College Softball (Kaycee Kincaid) vs. Roanoke, Botetourt Sports Complex, Double header, 5:00 PM & 7:00 PM</p>
Thursday, April 4	<p>Session Meeting, 7:00 PM, Fellowship Hall</p>

Announcements

- ◆ 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. This service and lunch is at the Fincastle United Methodist Church, Family Life Center at 137 S. Church Street.
- ◆ Don't forget Bell Choir practice immediately following Sunday morning service.
- ◆ **Women's Bible study**, Tuesday, 2:00, in the Fellowship Hall, "*Why Easter Matters*", Andy Stanley
- ◆ Please check the Fellowship calendar in the Fellowship hall and sign up for available Sundays.
- ◆ **Easter Sunday Flowers:** Check the order form on the table in the side hallway under the bulletin board if you wish to order flowers. All orders must be received no later than this Wednesday, March 20.
- ◆ Mark your calendars for April 2 and plan on attending Ferrum College Softball games vs. Roanoke College! We can watch our own Kaycee Kincaid play! Games to be played at the Botetourt sports Complex at 5:00 PM and 7:00 PM.



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

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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:

Jeremiah 31:31-34

31 The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. 32 It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. 33 But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. 34 No longer shall they teach one another or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD, for I will forgive their iniquity and remember their sin no more.



New Testament Reading:

John 12:20-33

²⁰ Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. ²¹ They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." ²² Philip went and told Andrew, then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³ Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴ Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain, but if it dies it bears much fruit. ²⁵ Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶ Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

²⁷ "Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say: 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. ²⁸ Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." ²⁹ The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." ³⁰ Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. ³¹ Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. ³² And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people^a to myself." ³³ He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.



Easter Sunday Flowers!

Would you like to assist in decorating our Sanctuary this year on 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 Wednesday, March 20.

Please write "Easter Flowers" in the memo portion of your check, made payable to FPC: \$15.00 each.



Wednesday Lenten Services and Lunch

**Fincastle United Methodist Church
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

February 21 Pastors Tom & Naomi Powers Daleville Church of the Brethren

February 28 Rev. Dr. David Dickerson Fincastle Presbyterian Church

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

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

March 20 Rev. Fr. Paul Lagco Church of the Transfiguration Fincastle

Lunch Menus

February 21 Ham Biscuits, Potato Salad, Fruit, Desserts

February 28 Potato Soup, Vegetable-Beef Soup, Grilled Cheese Sandwiches, Jello, Salads, Rolls, Desserts

March 6 Chicken Salad Croissants, Vegetable Salad, Chips, Desserts

March 13 Potato Bar, Chili, Green Salad, Corn Bread, Desserts

March 20 Sub Sandwiches, Cole Slaw, Chips, Desserts

#687 Shall We Gather at the River

1 Shall we gather at the river,
where bright angel feet have trod,
with its crystal tide forever
flowing by the throne of God?

[Refrain:]

Yes, we'll gather at the river,
the beautiful, the beautiful river,
gather with the saints at the river
that flows by the throne of God.

2 Ere we reach the shining river,
lay we every burden down;
grace our spirits will deliver,
and provide a robe and crown. (Refrain)

3 Soon we'll reach the shining river,
soon our pilgrimage will cease;
soon our happy hearts will quiver
with the melody of peace. (Refrain)

#678 In the Bulb There is a Flower

1 In the bulb there is a flower;
in the seed, an apple tree;
in cocoons, a hidden promise:
butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter
there's a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

2 There's a song in every silence,
seeking word and melody;
there's a dawn in every darkness
bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future;
what it holds, a mystery,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

3 In our end is our beginning;
in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing;
in our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection;
at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

#739 Pass It On

1 It only takes a spark
to get a fire going
and soon all those around
can warm up in its glowing.
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.

2. What a wondrous time is spring
when all the trees are budding,
the birds begin to sing,
the flowers start their blooming.
That's how it is with God's love
once you've experienced it;
you want to sing,
it's fresh like spring,
You want to pass it on.

3. I wish for you, my friend,
this happiness that I've found,
you can depend on him,
it matters not where you're bound.
I'll shout it from the mountain top—
I want my world to know;
the Lord of love
has come to me,
I want to pass it on.

