

Sermon: "You Are the Light Of the World"
The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D. Min.

Moment for Meditation "It is Well With My Soul"
Spafford/Bliss

Profession of Faith: #14 Apostles' Creed

Sacrament of Holy Communion (See Insert)

*Hymn: #514 "Blessed Assurance"

Charge

Sung Response: #840 "God Be with You"

God be with you till we meet again,
by his counsels guide, up hold you,
with his sheep securely fold you;
God be with you till we meet again.

Blessing

Postlude "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms
Hoffman/Showalter

Prayer Concerns

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

Friends and family of FPC: Jody Young Balaun and Diane Knave (high school friends of Danette), Mary Black, Mary Collins (the mother of Hi Nicely's oldest son Casey) the family and friends of Becky Dennis (close friend of Danette Heinlein), Tom Doshen (brother-in-law of Shueys), the family and friends of Bill Harris (Paul Phillippe's cousin), Linda Jenkins (neighbor of Sue Porter), Sheila Kessler (Danette's sister), Laura Holt McCann, the family of Willie Simpson.

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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: #453 — "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"; #21—"How Great Thou Art"; #678 — "In the Bulb
There is a Flower"; .#514—"Blessed Assurance", #840—"God Be with You"

Service Music: "Amazing Grace" — Newton/Excell, "The Worshiping Church Hymnal" [Ibid] (502);
"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"—Chisholm/Runyon, "The Worshiping Church Hymnal" [Ibid] (60); "It Is
Well with My Soul"—Spafford/Bliss, "The Worshiping Church Hymnal" [Ibid] (519); "Leaning on the
Everlasting Arms - Hoffman/Showalter, "The Worshiping Church Hymnal" [Ibid] (609);.

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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.

Service for the Lord's Day

5th Sunday in Lent

Communion Sunday

April 6, 2025 —10:30 am In Person & (Live Streaming—10:20 am)

Gathering Music

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude: *"Amazing Grace"*
Newton/Excell

* Join in singing: #452 (2x) *"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"*

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: (Responsive)

One: The Lord be with you.

Many: And also with you.

One: Let us worship God. Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Many: who made heaven and earth.

One: This is the day that the Lord has made;

Many: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

One: Praise the Lord!

Many: The Lord's name be praised!

Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn: #21 *"How Great Thou Art"*



Call to Confession: (Responsive) (Heb. 4:14-16)

One: Remember that our Lord Jesus can sympathize with us in our weaknesses,

Many: since in every respect he was tempted as we are, yet without sin.

One: Let us then with boldness approach the throne of grace,

Many: 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)

Merciful God,

You pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God.

Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.

Silent Confession: Amen

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

Assurance of Pardon: (Unison)

May the God of mercy, who forgives us all of our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. 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 .



Offering:

Regular Offering
Offertory Anthem

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"
Chisholm/Runyon

*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. 548) Proverbs 3:5-8

Hymn: #678 *"In the Bulb There is a Flower"*

New Testament Reading: (Pew bible pg. 908-909) 2 Timothy 3:10—4:5
Matthew 5:1-16

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ Today we welcome our special visitors: the **Youth of the Second Presbyterian Church of Roanoke, Va and their youth leaders!** Please welcome all of our guests generously in the Spirit of our Lord.
- ◆ Have you paid for the Easter Flowers you signed up for? If not, write Easter flowers on the memo portion of your check and place in the offering basket.
- ◆ **Celebrate our April Birthdays! April 21—Craig Leisure, April 25—Debbie Coots.**
- ◆ Are you interested in attending an **Ecumenical Book Club**? The book selection is "*Gilead*" by Marilyn Robinson. Tuesday, April 15, 2025 at 10:30 AM. See Lyn Burton for more information.
- ◆ The last Ecumenical noon service and luncheon will be this coming Wednesday, April 9 At the FUMC Family life center at 12:00 noon. Pastor Jim Bollinger, Fincastle United Methodist church will be speaking.
- ◆ The **Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is currently accepting donations for Helene Disaster Relief (DR000169)as well as, CA Wildfire (DR000165).** You can donate through e-giving or by check.
- ◆ If you or your committee or organization needs to use **any space at the church**, please let Danette know so she can make sure the calendar is clear!
- ◆ Check the sign-up sheet on the table in the side entrance for **Botetourt Food Pantry Volunteer Opportunities.** Please speak with Teri Walker if you have any questions.
- ◆ **QR Code for an E-Giving option:**



Clerk of Session: John Kilby

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

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

Class of 2027: Cathy Goad, Patty Vari, Teri Walker

The Trustees

Bob Omer, Garland Jones, Peggy Davis

The Church Staff

Interim Minister: The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson

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Calendar of Events

Planned office hours for week of April 6
Mon., 10:00 am –4:00 pm; Tue., 10:00 am — 2:00 pm
Friday 10:00—4:00.

- Sunday April 6** **5th Sunday in Lent**
No Sunday School
Worship Service: 10:30 am
Communion Sunday
Duty Elders: Patty Vari & Lyn Burton.
Fellowship: Worship Committee
No handbell practice
Tues., April 8 Women's Bible Study, Fellowship, 2:00 pm
Wed., April 9 Lunch (noon) at Fincastle United Methodist Church;
speakers: Rev. Jim Bollinger, Fincastle United Methodist Church
Easter singing practice, 4:00, Sanctuary
- Sunday April 13** **Palm /Passion Sunday**
No Sunday School
Worship Service: 10:30 am
Duty Elders: Lynne Bolton & _____.
Fellowship: Fellowship Breakfast at 9:30 am
- Thursday, Apr 17** **Tenebrae Service with Communion, 7:00 PM**
- Friday, April 18 Good Friday
Saturday, Apr. 19 Men's Breakfast at Greenwood
- Sunday April 20** **Resurrection of the Lord/Easter Day**
No Sunday School
Worship Service: 10:30 am
Duty Elders: Lynne Bolton & Patsy D.
Fellowship: None
Mon., April 21 HFI, 6:00 pm, Fellowship
Wed., April 23 Wholeness & Healing Prayer, 5:00 pm, Light Supper immediately following.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation

One: Christ came to us proclaiming peace: peace to all those who are near, peace to all those who are far away. In Christ's body we are made one. The Lord be with us all.

One: O Lord, lift up our hearts.

Many: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Many: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

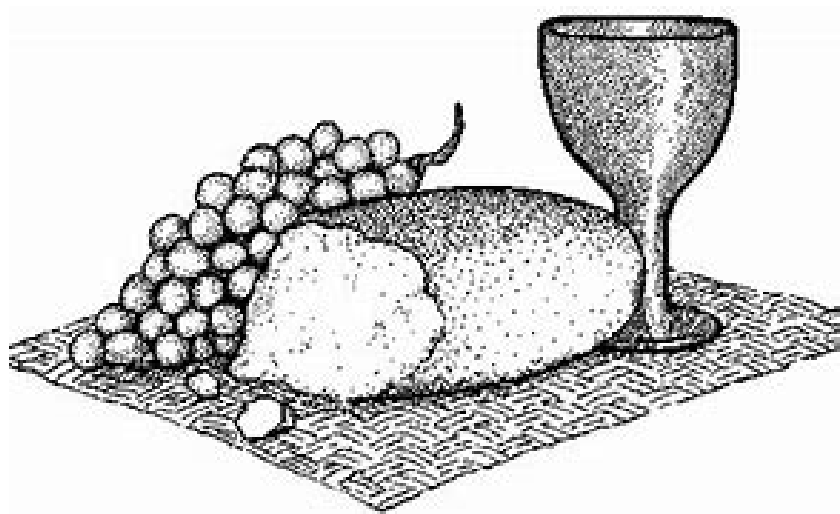
The Great Thanksgiving Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Sentence of Institution

Partaking of the Bread and Cup

"Let us Break Bread Together"

Prayer



The Table of Love

Gather around
the table of love,
Where all are welcome
and all are fed,
And taste
the goodness of the Lord,
Who satisfies
our hunger and thirst.

Let us give thanks
for this holy feast,
for the mercy
that was shown to us,
And let us renew our commitment
to love,
our Neighbor,
our Brother,
our Friend of all

#452 Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
look full in his wonderful face;
and the things of earth will grow strangely dim
in the light of his glory and grace.

#21 How Great Thou Art

1 O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
consider all the *worlds thy hand have made,
I see the stars, I hear the *rolling thunder,
thy power throughout the universe displayed:.

[Refrain:]

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!

2 When through the woods and forest glades I wander
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,
and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze. (Refrain)

3 And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
he bled and died to take away my sin. (Refrain)

4 When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble admiration,
and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art." (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.

#514 Blessed Assurance

1 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

[Refrain:]

This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

2 Perfect submission, perfect delight,
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending, bring from above
echoes of mercy, whispers of love. (Refrain)

3 Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with his goodness, lost in his love. (Refrain)

Old Testament Reading

Proverbs 3:5-8

- ⁵ Trust in the Lord with all your heart,
and do not rely on your own insight.
⁶ In all your ways acknowledge him,
and he will make straight your paths.
⁷ Be not wise in your own eyes;
fear the Lord, and turn away from evil.
⁸ It will be healing to your flesh
and refreshment to your bones.

New Testament Readings

2 Timothy 3:10-4:5

3:¹⁰ Now you have observed my teaching, my conduct, my aim in life, my faith, my patience, my love, my steadfastness, ¹¹ my persecutions, my sufferings, what befell me at Antioch, at Ico'nium, and at Lystra, what persecutions I endured; yet from them all the Lord rescued me. ¹² Indeed all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, ¹³ while evil men and impostors will go on from bad to worse, deceivers and deceived. ¹⁴ But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it ¹⁵ and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings which are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All scripture is inspired by God and ^[a] profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷ that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

4: ¹ I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: ² preach the word, be urgent in season and out of season, convince, rebuke, and exhort, be unfailing in patience and in teaching. ³ For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own likings, ⁴ and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander into myths. ⁵ As for you, always be steady, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfil your ministry.

Matthew 5:1-16

5 Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down his disciples came to him. ² And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

³ "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴ "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

⁵ "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

⁶ "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

⁷ "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.

⁸ "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

⁹ "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

¹⁰ "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹ "Blessed are you when men revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹² Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so men persecuted the prophets who were before you.

¹³ "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trodden under foot by men.

¹⁴ "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵ Nor do men light a lamp and put it under a bushel, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶ Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.