

***Hymn:** #579 (vs 1-3)

"I Surrender All"

***Charge**

***Sung Response:** #502 (vs 3)

"Amazing Grace"

The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

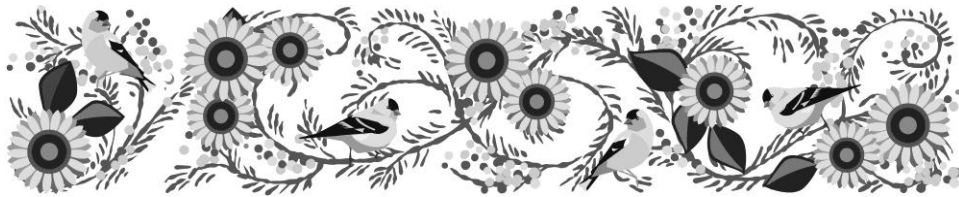
***Blessing**

Postlude:

"To God Be the Glory"

Fanny J. Crosby/W. H. Doan

Fincastle Presbyterian Church



Celebrations: Meg and Bob Omer are new great-grandparents! Their grandson and his wife Lawson and Mikayla Omer welcomed their new daughter, Palmer Jennifer on July 4, 2026.

We want to celebrate the wedding of Jeanine Tucker and Michael Mansfield on July 6, 2026! Congratulations to the new Mr. and Mrs. Mansfield!

Members: Nathalie Givens, Hi Nicely, Meg and Bob Omer

Prayers for those in Venezuela – suffering due to the 2 magnitude 7.2 and 7.5 earthquakes which struck northern Venezuela on June 24, 2026.

Friends and family of FPC: Pete Adamson (Lynn Bolton's uncle), Mick Caudill (relative of the Heinlein's), Jenny Coots (daughter-in-law of Fred & Debbie), Shantelle and John Crouch (friend of the community, in the loss of John's mother), Jimmy Gardner (Ann Gardner's brother), Cam L Garner (childhood friend of Ed Shuey), the family of John Griffin, the family of Robert B. Hundley (Lynn B. cousin), Melissa Kessler (Danette's niece), Jay Lynch (family friend of Shuey's), Mary Rae (former organist at FUMC), Roger Robbins (friend of the Porters), Randy Toepher (friend of the Heinlein's), Blaine Walker.



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

July 12, 2026 10:20 am Live Streaming and Gathering Music
10:30 am Chiming of the Hour for Worship

7th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude: *"Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart"*
H. Smith

Welcome and Announcements:

Call to Worship: (responsive) (Ps. 124:8; Ps 118:24))

One: The Lord be with.

Many: And also, with you.

One: Let us worship God. Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.

Many: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Prayer of Invocation

***Hymn:** #557 *"Open My Eyes That I May See"*



Call to Confession: (responsive) (Rom. 5:8; Heb. 4:16)

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 to approach God with confidence.

All: In faith and penitence, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

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.

* Please stand if able

Silent Confession: Amen

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

Assurance of Pardon: (Unison)

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

Amen.

***Gloria Patri:** #805

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.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer



Offering

Regular Offering:

Offertory

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"
K. Thomerson

***Doxology:** #809

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

***Prayer of Dedication**



Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament Reading: (Pew bible pg. 20)

Genesis 25:19-34

Hymn: #542

"Near to the Heart of God"

New Testament Reading: (Pew bible pg. 982,983)
(Pew bible pg. 846,847)

Romans 8:1-11
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Sermon:

"True Freedom: Life in Christ's Spirit"
Rev. Dr. David Dickerson

Moment for Meditation

"There is a Balm in Gilead"
Afro American Spiritual

***Profession of Faith #14**

Apostles Creed

* Please stand if able

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Planned Office Hours for the

Week of July 23

Monday – Tuesday, out of office

Wednesday – Friday 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Sunday, July 12	7th Sunday after Pentecost <u>Worship Service: 10:30 am</u> Duty Elders: C. Goad & _____ Fellowship: _____ Outdoor Celtic Service, David & Patsy Dickerson's home, 5:00 pm. (address in announcement)
Mon., July 13	Danette – vacation
Tues., July 14	Danette - vacation
Fri., July 17	Faith and Family Night, Salem Ridge Yaks, 6:35pm game start time.
Sunday, July 19	8th Sunday after Pentecost <u>Worship Service: 10:30 am</u> Duty Elders: L. Burton & Cathy G. Fellowship: _____
Tues., July 21	Forward in Faith, Logan Room, 2:00 pm Endowment, Fellowship, 4:00 pm
Wed., July 22	Memorial Service for Robert Boyd Hundley, Sanctuary, 11:00 am. Reception immediately following in Fellowship.
Thurs., July 23	Session, 7:00, Fellowship.

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Announcements

- **Birthdays:** July 7—Connie Miles, July 15— Nancy Pauley, July 23—Cathy Goad, July 26—Pat Roberts, July 28—Vickie Littleton, August 6—Patsy Dickerson, August 12—Leigh Ann Martin.
- There is a new Section in our **Prayer Request** part of the worship bulletin called Celebrations. Please let Danette know by end of Day, Wednesday of each week, if you have something to announce in the **Celebrations Section**.
- Please check out the **Sunday Fellowship Calendar**, downstairs. There is a need for people to sign up for the month of July.
- The **Duty Elder Calendar** on the board in the side entrance is available for sign-ups for the remainder of the year.
- On Sunday, July 12 at 5:00 pm, there will be an **Outdoor Celtic Service** under the trees at David and Patsy Dickerson's house, 427 E Main St., Fincastle. Bring a lawn chair and water. The service will include a 20-minute nature wander.
- Friday, July 17, is **Faith and Family Night** for the **Salem Ridge Yaks!** If you want to join the group, speak with Danette about pricing and ticket availability.
- Mark your calendars for **Sunday, August 9**, for our annual **Church at the Creek Service**. This will be an 11:00 service. There will be a Potluck Lunch! More details to come. Please note that this service will not be live-cast.
- If you have need of the church building or one of its rooms, please make sure you let Danette know so she can reserve it for you on the **Church calendar!**
- If you use the church building, please make sure that all lights are turned off, and all doors are locked before you leave.
- QR Code for an E-Giving option:



Spend time with God this summer

Clerk of Session: John Kilby

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

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

Class of 2028: David Kincaid, Jennifer Kincaid, Paul Phillippe

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Sermon Notes:

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557 “Open My Eyes That I May See”

1 Open my eyes, that I may see
glimpses of truth thou hast for me;
place in my hands the wonderful key
that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see;
open my eyes, illumine me,
Spirit divine!

2 Open my ears, that I may hear
voices of truth thou sendest clear,
and while the wave notes fall on my ear,
everything false will disappear.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see;
open my ears, illumine me,
Spirit divine!

3 Open my mouth, and let me bear
gladly the warm truth everywhere;
open my heart, and let me prepare
love with thy children thus to share.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see;
open my heart, illumine me,
Spirit divine!

#542 “Near to the Heart of God”

1 There is a place of quiet rest
near to the heart of God,
a place where sin cannot molest,
near to the heart of God.

[Refrain:]
O Jesus, blest Redeemer,
sent from the heart of God,
hold us, who wait before thee
near to the heart of God.

2 There is a place of comfort sweet
near to the heart of God,
a place where we our Savior meet,
near to the heart of God. (Refrain)

3 There is a place of full release
near to the heart of God,
a place where all is joy and peace,
near to the heart of God. (Refrain)

579 “I Surrender All”

1 All to Jesus I surrender,
all to him I freely give;
I will ever love and trust him,
in his presence daily live.

[Refrain:]
I surrender all, I surrender all,
all to thee, my blessed Savior,
I surrender all.

2 All to Jesus I surrender,
humbly at his feet I bow,
worldly pleasures all forsaken:
take me, Jesus, take me now. (Refrain)

3 All to Jesus I surrender,
make me, Savior, wholly thine;
may thy Holy Spirit fill me,
may I know thy power divine. (Refrain)

Old Testament Reading:

Genesis 25:19-34

¹⁹ These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham was the father of Isaac, ²⁰ and Isaac was forty years old when he took to wife Rebekah, the daughter of Bethu'el the Aramean of Paddan-aram, the sister of Laban the Aramean. ²¹ And Isaac prayed to the Lord for his wife, because she was barren; and the Lord granted his prayer, and Rebekah his wife conceived. ²² The children struggled together within her; and she said, "If it is thus, why do I live?" So, she went to inquire of the Lord. ²³ And the Lord said to her,

"Two nations are in your womb,
and two peoples, born of you, shall be divided;
the one shall be stronger than the other,
the elder shall serve the younger."

²⁴ When her days to be delivered were fulfilled, behold, there were twins in her womb. ²⁵ The first came forth red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so, they called his name Esau. ²⁶ Afterward his brother came forth, and his hand had taken hold of Esau's heel; so, his name was called Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them.

²⁷ When the boys grew up, Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, dwelling in tents. ²⁸ Isaac loved Esau, because he ate of his game; but Rebekah loved Jacob.

²⁹ Once when Jacob was boiling pottage, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. ³⁰ And Esau said to Jacob, "Let me eat some of that red pottage, for I am famished!" (Therefore, his name was called Edom.) ³¹ Jacob said, "First sell me your birthright." ³² Esau said, "I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?" ³³ Jacob said, "Swear to me first." So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. ³⁴ Then Jacob gave Esau bread and pottage of lentils, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus, Esau despised his birthright.

New Testament Readings

Romans 8:1-11

¹There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ² For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set me free from the law of sin and death. ³ For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin

in the flesh, ⁴ in order that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. ⁵ For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. ⁶ To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷ For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, indeed it cannot; ⁸ and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

⁹ But you are not in the flesh, you are in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Any one who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ¹⁰ But if Christ is in you, although your bodies are dead because of sin, your spirits are alive because of righteousness. ¹¹ If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit which dwells in you.

Matthew 13:1-90, 18-23

¹That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. ² And great crowds gathered about him, so that he got into a boat and sat there; and the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³ And he told them many things in parables, saying: "A sower went out to sow. ⁴ And as he sowed, some seeds fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured them. ⁵ Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they had not much soil, and immediately they sprang up, since they had no depth of soil, ⁶ but when the sun rose they were scorched; and since they had no root they withered away. ⁷ Other seeds fell upon thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸ Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹ He who has ears, let him hear."

¹⁸ "Hear then the parable of the sower. ¹⁹ When any one hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in his heart; this is what was sown along the path. ²⁰ As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is he who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; ²¹ yet he has no root in himself, but endures for a while, and when tribulation or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately he falls away. ²² As for what was sown among thorns, this is he who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the delight in riches choke the word, and it proves unfruitful. ²³ As for what was sown on good soil, this is he who hears the word and understands it; he indeed bears fruit, and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

