

***Charge**

***Sung Response: #563 vs.1)**

Lord, I want to be a Christian
in my heart, in my heart.
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

"Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

***Blessing**

Postlude:

"God of Our Life"
C H. Purday



Celebrations: Today we celebrate our growing choirs and the gift of beautiful music.

Weather issues: Drought, Wildfires, flooding, hurricanes, extreme heat, world-wide. Specifically, we pray for flood Victims in Nepal.

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

Friends and family of FPC: Jenny Coots (daughter-in-law of Fred & Debbie), Tom Doshen (Ed Shuey's brother-in-law), Jimmy Gardner (Ann Gardner's brother), Cam L Garner (childhood friend of Ed Shuey), Sarah Meadows, Mary Miller (friend from the Glebe), Keith Morgan, Roger Robbins (friend of the Porters), Donna Smith (the mother of Ray Higgins Jr., one of our online viewers), Randy Toepher (friend of the Heinlein's), Myrna White (Danette's sister), the family of Wally White (Danette's nephew).

Fincastle Presbyterian Church



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

September 13, 2026 10:25 am Live Streaming and Gathering Music
10:30 am Chiming of the Hour for Worship

16th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude: *"Give Thanks"*
Henry Smith

Welcome and Announcements:

Call to Worship: (responsive) (Psalm 95:1,2; KJV)

One: O come, let us sing unto the Lord: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

Many: **Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms.**

One: Praise the Lord!

Many: **The Lord's name be praised!**

Prayer of Invocation

***Hymn: #522** *"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"*
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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)

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.

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: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

Many: We declare to all who repent in Christ: "You are forgiven!"

All: **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

"In His Time"

D. Ball

*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. 536)

Psalm 121

Hymn: #538

"I Need Thee Every Hour"

New Testament Reading: (Pew bible pg. 876-877)

Mark 9:14-29

Sermon:

"The Faith of Our Parents, and Our

Grandparents, and Our ... "

Rev. Dr. David Dickerson

Moment for Meditation

"Be Thou My Vision"

Trad. Irish Melody; arr. D. P. Hustad

*Profession of Faith #14

Apostles Creed

***Hymn: #436**

"Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love"



**Planned Office Hours for the
Week of September 13
Monday, out of office
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10:00-3:00
Friday, out of office**

Sunday, Sept. 13 16th Sunday after Pentecost
Worship Service: 10:30 am
Adult Sunday School 9:30 am
 Duty Elders: Lyn Burton and _____
 Fellowship: Verna Shuey
 National Grand Parents Day
 Back Street Ringers practice, Sanctuary, 12:00 noon
 Tues., Sept. 15 Women's Bible Study, 2:00 pm, Fellowship Hall
 Wed., Sept. 16 Joyful Singers Practice, Sanctuary, 3:00 pm
 Thurs., Sept. 17 Forward in Faith, Fellowship Hall, 2:00 pm
 HFI Festival meeting, Fellowship Hall 6:30 pm
 Fri., Sept. 18 FPC, morning work at Food Pantry, 9:00
 Sat., Sept 19 Church Clean up, 8:00 am (possible)
 Men's Breakfast, Greenwood Restaurant, 9:00 am
 Rise Against Hunger, St. Marks Meth. (Daleville)
 9:00am – 12:00 noon.

Sunday, Sept. 20 17th Sunday after Pentecost
Worship Service: 10:30 am
Adult Sunday School 9:30 am
Sound System Dedication Service
 Duty Elders: Patsy D. and Lyn B.
 Fellowship: Pot Luck
 Called Congregational Meeting, Sanctuary,
 immediately after the Worship Service ends.
 Mon., Sept. 21 HFI, Fellowship Hall, 6:00 pm
 Tues., Sept. 22 First Day of Autumn
 Wed., Sept. 23 Open Sanctuary (quiet prayer time) 5:00-6:00 pm
 Lamplight Sessions, Fellowship Hall, 6:00 pm
 Thurs., Sept. 24 Session, Fellowship Hall, 7:00 pm
 Sat., Sept. 26 Fincastle Festival, All around Town

Announcements

- The Session has called a **Congregational meeting for September 20, 2026**, immediately after Church for the stated purpose of hearing a report from the PNC nominating a new minister and a motion to approve the terms of call.
- **Birthdays:** Sept. 10—John Kilby, Sep. 18—Verna Shuey, Oct. 3—Sandy Gates, Oct. 6—Lori Turner, Oct. 15—Alan Lowe, October 16—Kaycee Weidman
- Please **DO NOT** park in the Reserved Handicapped spots close to the Fellowship Hall on Sundays unless you have an appropriate handicapped authorization.
- The **Rise Against Hunger Organization** is holding a food packing event at St. Mark's Methodist Church in Daleville on September 19th from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm. Volunteers are needed to help pack bags of enriched rice which will be sent to feed hungry people around the world. Please let Teri Walker know if you are interested in helping. There will also be a sign-up in the hallway.
- **Presbyterian Disaster Assistance** is ready to give and support emergency relief, recovery, and hope for affected communities for the catastrophe in **Nepal**. Your gifts can help provide shelter, food, clean water, and compassionate care in a time of great need. Make checks payable to Fincastle Presbyterian Church and use **DR000197-Nepal** in the memo line to assist in providing assistance in this great need.
- The **Duty Elder Calendar** on the board in the side entrance is available for sign-ups for the remainder of the year. **Please visit it!**
- The **Fellowship sign-up calendar** is on the table next to the kitchen in the fellowship hall. There are open Sundays in the months of September and October.
- 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.**
- **Mark your Calendars** for Sunday September 20, for a Special Service which will include a dedication of our new Sound System as well as a **Potluck!**
- QR Code for an E-Giving option:



Sermon Notes:

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

The Trustees

Bob Omer, Garland Jones, Cathy Goad

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Hymns: #522 “Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”, #538 “I Need Thee Every Hour”, #436 “Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love”, #563 “Bind Us Together”.

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522 “Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

1 Savior, like a shepherd lead us,
much we need thy tender care;
in thy pleasant pastures feed us,
for our use thy folds prepare:
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
thou hast bought us, thine we are;
blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
thou hast bought us, thine we are.

2 We are thine, do thou befriend us,
be the guardian of our way;
keep thy flock, from sin defend us,
seek us when we go astray:
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
hear, O hear us when we pray;
blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
hear, O hear us when we pray.

3 Thou hast promised to receive us,
poor and sinful though we be;
thou hast mercy to relieve us,
grace to cleanse, and power to free:
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
early let us turn to thee;
blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
early let us turn to thee.

4 Early let us seek thy favor,
early let us do thy will;
blessed Lord and only Savior,
with thy love our bosoms fill:
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
thou hast loved us, love us still;
blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
thou hast loved us, love us still.

#538 “I Need Thee Every Hour”

1 I need thee every hour, most gracious Lord;
no tender voice like thine can peace afford.

[Refrain:]

I need thee, O I need thee,
every hour I need thee;
O bless me now, my Savior, I come to thee!

2 I need thee every hour, stay thou near by;
temptations lose their power when thou art nigh.
(Refrain)

3 I need thee every hour in joy or pain;
come quickly and abide or life is vain.
(Refrain)

4 I need thee every hour, most Holy One;
O make me thine indeed, thou blessed Son!
(Refrain)

723 “Revive us Again”

1 We praise Thee, O God,
or the Son of thy love,
for Jesus who died,
and is now gone above.

[Refrain:]

Hallelujah! thine the glory;
Hallelujah, Amen!
Hallelujah! thine the glory;
revive us again.

2 We praise thee, O God,
for thy Spirit of light,
who has shown us our Savior,
and scattered our night. (Refrain)

3 All glory and praise
to the Lamb that was slain,
who has borne all our sins,
and has cleansed every stain. (Refrain)

4 Revive us again:
fill each heart with thy love;
may each soul be rekindled
with fire from above. (Refrain)

Old Testament Reading

Psalms 121

¹ I lift up my eyes to the hills.
From whence does my help come?
² My help comes from the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.
³ He will not let your foot be moved,
he who keeps you will not slumber.
⁴ Behold, he who keeps Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.
⁵ The Lord is your keeper;
the Lord is your shade
on your right hand.
⁶ The sun shall not smite you by day,
nor the moon by night.
⁷ The Lord will keep you from all evil;
he will keep your life.
⁸ The Lord will keep
your going out and your coming in
from this time forth and for evermore.

New Testament Reading

Mark 9:14-29

¹⁴ And when they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd about them, and scribes arguing with them. ¹⁵ And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed, and ran up to him and greeted him. ¹⁶ And he asked them, "What are you discussing with them?" ¹⁷ And one of the crowd answered him, "Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a dumb spirit; ¹⁸ and wherever it seizes him, it dashes him down; and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid; and I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able." ¹⁹ And he answered them, "O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me." ²⁰ And they brought the boy to him; and when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. ²¹ And Jesus asked his father, "How long has he had this?" And he said, "From childhood. ²² And it has often cast him into the fire and into the water, to destroy him; but if you can do anything, have pity on us and help us." ²³ And Jesus said to him, "If you can! All things are possible to him who believes." ²⁴ Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" ²⁵ And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You dumb and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him, and never enter him again." ²⁶ And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse; so that most of them said, "He is dead." ²⁷ But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. ²⁸ And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" ²⁹ And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer."