

Moment for Meditation

"Blessed Assurance"

P. P. Knapp

*Profession of Faith #14

Apostles Creed

Honoring the Ministry of David Dickerson

"May the Circle Be Unbroken"

1 Through the years we've walked together, through the laughter, joy and tears. You have shared our faith and friendship, and have blessed us through the years.

**Chorus: May the circle be unbroken, by and by, Lord, by and by.
There's a better home awaiting, in the sky, Lord, in the sky.**

2 You have shared God's love among us, you have helped our faith to grow, you have planted seeds of kindness, that will flourish as we go. (Chorus)

3 Now a new road lies before you, with more time to rest and roam. May you travel, laugh, and wander, knowing you can still come home. (Chorus)

4 Though our paths may turn and wander, still our friendship will remain. Faith will always bind us closely; till the day we meet again. (Chorus)

* Benediction

Postlude

"Take the Name of Jesus with You"

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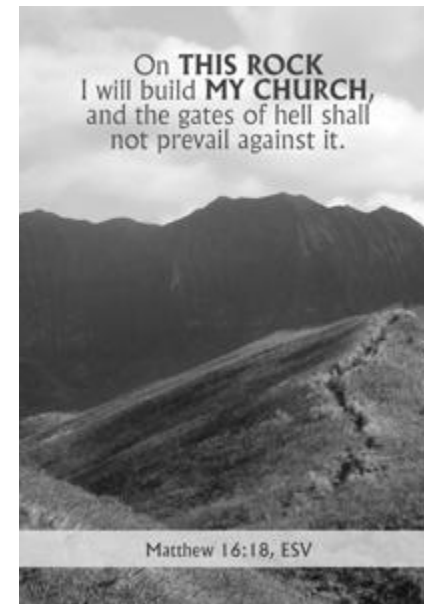


Celebrations: Honoring the ministry and faith journey of David Dickerson.

Members: Nathalie Givens, Alan Lowe, Hi Nicely, the Family of Meg Omer, Bob Omer

Friends and family of FPC: Jenny Coots (daughter-in-law of Fred & Debbie), Tom Doshen (Ed Shuey's brother-in-law), the family of Bob Elliott, 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), the husband of Sarah Rodgers, Randy Toeffer (friend of the Heinlein's), 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 27, 2026 10:15 am Live Streaming and Gathering Music
10:30 am Chiming of the Hour for Worship

18th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude: *"This is My Father's World"*
Trad. English melody/Adapt. F. L. Sheppard

Welcome and Announcements

Welcome New Member into Fellowship: Rena Heslep

Call to Worship: (responsive) (KJV)

One: Seek ye the Lord while he may be found.

Many: Call ye upon him while he is near;

One: let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts;

Many: and let them return unto the Lord,

One: and he will have mercy upon them,

Many: and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

Prayer of Invocation

***Hymn: #43** (vs. 1,3 & 4) *"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"*
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Call to Confession: (responsive) (1 John 1:8,9)

One: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

Many: But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

All: In humility and faith let us confess our sin to God.

Prayer of Confession: (unison) (Psalm 51, adapted)
O God,

Have mercy upon us according to thy loving-kindness. According unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquities, and cleanse us from our sin. For we acknowledge our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us. Create in us clean hearts, O God; and renew a right spirit within us. Cast us not away from thy presence; and take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Silent Confession: Amen

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

Assurance of Pardon: (responsive) (Psalm 103:8, 10-12)

One: The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy. He hath not dealt with us after our sins, nor rewarded us according to our iniquities

Many: As the heaven is high above the earth, so great is his mercy toward them that fear him.

All: As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us. 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

"Bind Us Together"
B. Gillman

***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**



Special Music

Joyful Singers

"Ancient Words"
Lynn DeShazo

Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament Reading: (Pew bible pg. 164) Deuteronomy 14:1a & 2

Hymn: #708 *"Blessed Be the Tie That Binds"*

New Testament Reading: (Pew bible pg. 851) Matthew 16:18
(Pew bible pg. 999) 1 Corinthians 12:27

Sermon: *"The Church Belongs To Jesus Christ!"*
Rev. Dr. David Dickerson

**Planned Office Hours for the
Week of September 27
Tuesday, 10:00-3:00
Wednesday, 10:00-3:00
Friday, 9:00-3:00**

Sunday, Sept. 27 18th Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering Music –Sing-along

Worship Service: 10:30 am

Duty Elders: Teri W & Cathy G.

Fellowship: Session

Sunday, Oct. 4 19th Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Service: 10:30 am

World Communion Sunday

Duty Elders: Cathy G and _____

Fellowship: Session

Wed., Oct. 7 Joyful Singers, Sanctuary, 3:00 pm

Thurs., Oct. 8 Forward in Faith, Fellowship, 2:00 pm

September 2026						
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Announcements

- **Birthdays:** Oct. 3—Sandy Gates, Oct. 6—Lori Turner, Oct. 15—Alan Lowe, October 16—Kaycee Weidman, October 19 – Ann Gardner, October 24 – Lynne Bolton & Bryce Branscom, October 26 – Pierce Brenner.
- Please **DO NOT** park in the Reserved Handicapped spots close to the Fellowship Hall on Sundays unless you have an appropriate handicapped authorization.
- On Sunday, October 4, we will welcome our new minister, Rev. Dr. J. Hoover Haney.
- 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 coming up!
- 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:



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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Service Music: # 823 Kyrie, #805 Gloria Patri, #809 Doxology.

Hymns: #43 “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”, #708 “Blessed Be the Tie That Binds”, #60 “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”, #678 “Hymn of Promise”, #840 God Be With You Till We Meet Again, “May the Circle be Unbroken”

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#43 “A Mighty Fortress is Our God”

1 A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
our helper he, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;
his craft and power are great, and, armed with cruel hate,
on earth is not his equal.

3 And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to
undo us,
we will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through
us.

The Prince of Darkness grim, we tremble not for him;
his rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure,
one little word shall fell him.

4 That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them,
abideth;
the Spirit and the gifts are ours thro' him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
the body they may kill: God's truth abideth still;
his kingdom is forever.

#708 “Blessed Be the Tie that Binds”

1 Blest be the tie that binds
our hearts in Christian love;
the fellowship of kindred minds
is like to that above.

2 Before our Father's throne
we pour our ardent prayers;
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one
our comforts and our cares.

3 We share each other's woes,
each other's burdens bear;
and often for each other flows
the sympathizing tear.

4 When we are called to part,
it gives us inward pain;
but we shall still be joined in heart,
and hope to meet again.

#60 “Great is Thy Faithfulness”

1 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not;
as thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is thy faithfulness!

Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided--
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

#678 “Hymn of Promise”

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.

#840 “God Be with You till We Meet Again”

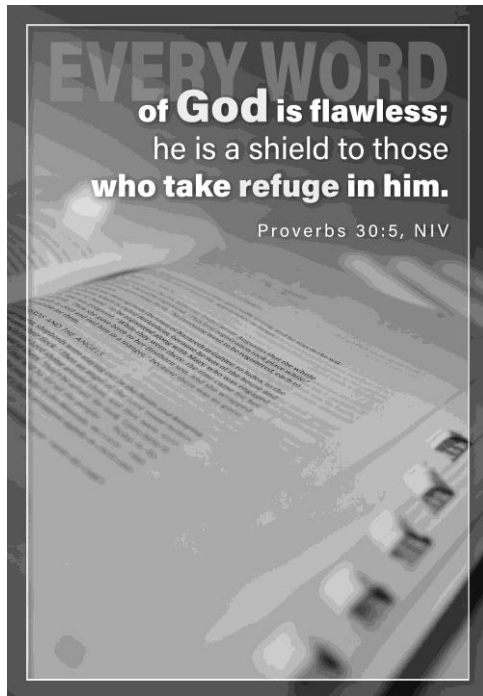
1 God be with you till we meet again,
by his counsel's guide, uphold you,
with his sheep securely fold you;
God be with you till we meet again.

2 God be with you till we meet again,
'neath his wings protecting hide you,
daily manna still provide you;
God be with you till we meet again.

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 14: 1a & 2

- ^{1a} “You are the sons of the Lord your God;
² For you are a people holy to the Lord your God, and the Lord has chosen you to be a people for his own possession, out of all the peoples that are on the face of the earth.



New Testament Reading

Matthew 16:18

- ¹⁸ And I tell you, you are Peter and, on this rock, I will build my church, and the powers of death shall not prevail against it.

1 Corinthians 12:27

- ¹⁴ But how are men to call upon him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without a preacher? ¹⁵ And how can men preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach good news!”
- ¹⁷ So faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes by the preaching of Christ.