

***Charge**

***Sung Response: (2x)**

I'm gonna live so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!
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"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

***Blessing of the Food and Benediction**

Postlude:

"This Little Light of Mine"
Spirituals



Celebrations: Today we celebrate Fellowship in our church. The fun, the laughter, the brotherhood and sisterhood of Christian family.

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

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), Vicki Lucas (Valerie Lucas's daughter-in-law), Sarah Meadows, Mary Miller (friend from the Glebe), Keith Morgan, Oliver Parker (15 year old grandson of Harold and Sally Eads), Roger Robbins (friend of the Porters), the husband of Sarah Rodgers, Randy Toepher (friend of the Heinlein's).

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

October 11, 2026 10:45 am Live Streaming and Gathering Music
11:00 am Chiming of the Hour for Worship

20th Sunday after Pentecost

***Prelude:** #801 (vs. 1) (Sing together)

"This Is the Day"

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: (responsive)

One: You have been called to the banquet.

Many: This is the feast.

One: You have been summoned to the wedding.

Many: This is the feast of life and light.

One: From the streets and the byways, God has invited us.

Many: We have come to the banquet that has no end. Alleluia!
Amen!

Prayer of Invocation

***Hymn:** #609

"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"



Call to Confession (responsive)

One: Let us come before the throne of God, the mercy seat,

Many: with all of our humanity, open to the peace of promised forgiveness.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

You invite us to your feast, O God, and we do not come. You beg us to give thanks for life, and we fail in our thanksgiving. You have made for us a wonderful earth, and we neglect the gift. Forgive us for what we have done and for abandoning the pathway you desire for us. Be our guide and conscience. Turn our feet and hands to your will, that all we do might give glory to you. Amen.

Response Hymn: # 629 (2x)

"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

Assurance of Pardon: (responsive)

One: The God of peace, who calls all creation to live in unity, hears your plea. In the spirit of feasting and thanksgiving, in the mercy of Almighty God, you are forgiven!

Many: For the sake of Christ Jesus, our Savior, who died and rose from the dead to destroy the shroud of despair, rejoice!

***Response Hymn:** #447

"Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God"

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer



Offering

Regular Offering:

Offertory

"By the Mark"

Gillian Welch/David Rawlings

*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

Epistle Reading: (Pew bible pg. 1024)

Philippians 4:1-9

New Testament Reading: (Pew bible pg. 856 & 857)

Matthew 22:1-14

Sermon:

"Who's Ready for a Party?"

Rev. Dr. J. Hoover Haney

Moment for Meditation

"Amazing Grace"

Virginia Harmony adapt. E. O. Excell

*Profession of Faith #14

Apostles Creed

Hymn:

"May the Circle Be Unbroken"

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.

1 Here beneath the open heavens, With the fields and hills in view,
we give thanks for God's creation, And for friends both old and new.
(Chorus)

2 Friends and neighbors stand beside us, sharing laughter, work, and care,
Through the changing of the seasons, God is with us everywhere. (Chorus)

3 May we walk beside each other, Through the sunshine and the rain,
sharing burdens, sharing blessings, 'til we gather here again. (Chorus)

Planned Office Hours for the

Week of October 11

Tuesday, 10:00-3:00

Wednesday, 10:00-3:00

Thursday, 10:00-4:00

Sunday, Oct. 11 20th Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Service: 11:00 am

Duty Elders: Lyn B. and _____

Fellowship: Pot Luck

Mon., Oct. 12 Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples' Day

Wed., Oct. 14 Joyful Singers, Sanctuary, 3:00 pm

Fri., Oct. 16 Botetourt Food Pantry FPC Volunteer Day

Sunday, Oct. 18 21st Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Service: 11:00 am

Duty Elders: _____ and _____

Fellowship: _____

Called Congregational Meeting, Sanctuary, immediately following Worship Service.

Mon., Oct. 19 HFI Board of Directors meeting, Fellowship Hall, 6:00 pm

Tues., Oct. 20 HFI, Dinner for Ghost Tour Vol., Fellowship Hall, 4:00 pm

Wed., Oct. 21 Joyful Singers, Sanctuary, 3:00 pm

Thur., Oct. 22 Session, Fellowship Hall, 7:00 pm

Sat., Oct. 24 United Nations Day

October 2026						
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Announcements

- **Birthdays:** 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.
- The Session has called a Congregational meeting for the stated purpose of electing a **Nominating Committee** immediately following the regular Worship Service on Sunday, October 18, 2026.
- The **new volunteer sign-up** for the **Botetourt Food Pantry** is posted on the bulletin board in the hallway.
- Our church will collect candy for the **Town of Fincastle Halloween Celebration** for the next three Sundays. Please bring bagged, individually wrapped candy to church and place in the container in the Fellowship Hall. Thanks for helping make this a fun evening for the kids!
- 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:



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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Worshiping Church Hymnal: 1990 Hope Publishing Co. Carol Stream, IL —
Service Music: # 823 Kyrie, #805 Gloria Patri, #809 Doxology.

Hymns: #2 “Holy, Holy, Holy”, #623 “Sweet Hour of Prayer”, #60 “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”, #678 “Hymn of Promise”, #840 God Be With You Till We Meet Again, “May the Circle be Unbroken”

The Presbyterian Hymnal © 1990 Westminster/John Knox Press.: #525 "Here I Am, Lord". #157 "*I Danced in the Morning (Lord of the Dance)*".

Service Music: *"The Church's One Foundation"* S. S. Wesley/Arr. Cindy Berry, © 1988 Word Music Group, LLC Alfred Publishing; *"In The Garden"*, C. A. Miles/arr. Carol McMillen, © 2006 Word Music Group, LLC, *"Be Thou My Vision"* trad. Irish melody/Arr. Bob Krogstad, © 1995 Word Music Group, LLC; *"How Firm a Foundation"*, Trad. American melody, Public Domain.

Prayers and Liturgy: *"Feasting on the Word, Worship Companion"*, Kimberly Bracken Long, editor; © 2014 Westminster John Knox Press.

Sermon Notes:

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#801 “This Is the Day”

1 This is the day, this is the day
that the Lord has made, that the Lord has made;
We will rejoice, we will rejoice and be glad in it,
and be glad in it.
This is the day that the Lord has made;
we will rejoice and be glad in it
This is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made.

#609 “Sweet Hour of Prayer”

1 What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
leaning on the everlasting arms;
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
leaning on the everlasting arms.

Refrain:
Leaning, leaning,
safe and secure from all alarms;
leaning, leaning,
leaning on the everlasting arms.

2 O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
leaning on the everlasting arms;
O how bright the path grows from day to day,
leaning on the everlasting arms. (Refrain)

3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear,
leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near
leaning on the everlasting arms. (Refrain)

#609 “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
send us love, send us power, send us grace.

#447 “Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God”

1 Seek ye first the kingdom of God
and its righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you;
Allelu, alleluia!

2 Ask, and it shall be given unto you,
seek and ye shall find,
knock, and the door shall be opened unto you;
Alelelu, alleluia!



Epistle Reading

Philippians 4:1-9

¹Therefore, my brethren, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved.

²I entreat Eu-o'dia and I entreat Syn'tyche to agree in the Lord.

³And I ask you also, true yokefellow, help these women, for they have labored side by side with me in the gospel together with Clement and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the book of life.

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let all men know your forbearance. The Lord is at hand. ⁶Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, do; and the God of peace will be with you.

New Testament Reading

Matthew 22:1-14

¹And again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, ²"The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a marriage feast for his son, ³and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the marriage feast; but they would not come. ⁴Again he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, Behold, I have made ready my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves are killed, and everything is ready; come to the marriage feast.' ⁵But they made light of it and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. ⁷The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. ⁸Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹Go therefore to the thoroughfares, and invite to the marriage feast as many as you find.' ¹⁰And those servants went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹"But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment; ¹²and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. ¹³Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and cast him into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth.' ¹⁴For many are called, but few are chosen."