

Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament Reading : (Pew bible page 176) Deuteronomy 28:1-9

Hymn: #514 (please remain seated) *"Blessed Assurance"*

New Testament Readings: (Pew bible page 889) Luke 1:67-80  
(Pew bible page 987) Romans 13:1-8

Sermon *"The Nation: a Means of God's Grace to All People"*

Moment for Meditation *"In His Time"*  
D. Ball/Arr. L.Berquist

\* Profession of Faith: #14 Apostles' Creed

\* Hymn: #416(Vs 1,3,4) *"Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory"*

\*Charge

\*Sung Response #697(vs1) *"In Christ There Is No East or West"*

In Christ there is no east or west , in him no south or north,  
but one great fellowship of love through-out the whole wide  
earth.

Benediction

Postlude: *"Shine, Jesus, Shine"*  
G. Kendrick

## ***Concerns of the Church***

### **Prayer List:**

**Members:** Nick and Becky Deschamps, Sandy Gates, Nathalie Givens,  
Danette Heinlein, Meg and Bob Omer, Patty Vari, Dick Woodard

**Friends and family of FPC:** Family of Trixie Averill (close friend of  
Sandy Gates), Kathy Atkins and family (Danette's neighbors), Kenny  
Bentz, Mary Black, Joyce Bolton Turbyfill (Lynne Bolton's Aunt), Mick  
Caudill (Danette's daughter's father-in-law), Neil Dunnivant (Pastor at  
FPC from 1992-2003), Joyce Goldberg (friend of Lynne Bolton), Tim  
Heinlein, Jackson Hetzel (Valerie Lucas' grandson), Lynne Kessler, Laura  
Holt McCann, Roderick Plenge (22 yr. old friend of Hi Nicely), Mary Lee  
Reese, Ginger Wilson (David's niece)

### **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.

# *Fincastle Presbyterian Church*

One Nation  
Under God



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# Service for the Lord's Day

## 7th Sunday after Pentecost

July 7, 2024 —10:30 am In Person & (Live Streaming—10:20 am)

Gathering Music (all are invited to sing along) Lori Turner

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude: *"Open Our Eyes"*  
R. Cull/Arr. Mark Zeerman

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: (responsive) (Psalm 95:6,7; KJV)

One: O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the Lord our maker.

Many: **For he is our God; and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.**

Prayer of Invocation

\* Hymn: #669 (vs 1,2 & 4) *"God of Grace and God of Glory"*

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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 sins to God.**

Prayer of Confession: (unison)

**God our Father,**  
**You led men and women to this land, and, out of conflict, created in us a love of peace and liberty. We have failed you by neglecting rights and restricting freedoms. Forgive pride that overlooks national wrong, or justifies injustice. Forgive divisions caused by prejudice or greed. Have mercy, God, on the heart of this land. Make us compassionate, fair, and helpful to each other. Raise up in us a right patriotism, that sees and seeks this nation's good, through Jesus Christ the Lord.**

Silent Confession:

**Amen**

\* Please stand if you are able

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

Assurance of Pardon: (responsive)

One: Hear the good news! This statement is completely reliable and should be universally accepted: Christ Jesus entered the world to rescue sinners.

Many: **He personally bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that we might be dead to sin and be alive to all that is good.**

One: Friends: Believe the good news of the gospel!

Many: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

All: **As God's own people, let us be merciful in action, kindly in heart, humble in mind. Let us be always ready to forgive as freely as the Lord has forgiven us. And, above everything else, let us be loving, and never forget to be thankful for what God has done for us!**

\* 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 and the Lord's Prayer.

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Offering

2 ¢ Per Meal

Offering Hymn: *"Will You Let Me Be Your Servant?"*

Will you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you?  
Pray that I may have the grace, to let you be my servant too.

Regular Offering

Offertory Anthem *"Spirit Song"*  
J. Wimber/Arr. Mark Wimber

\* 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

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\* Please stand if you are able

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**Sunday, July 7** 7th Sunday after Pentecost  
**Worship Service: 10:30 am**  
**2¢ A Meal Offering**  
**Duty Elders:** Lyn Burton & \_\_\_\_\_  
**Fellowship:** Patsy Dickerson  
**Food Pantry—Food Drive—**See Announcements for more details  
 🎂Happy birthday, Connie Miles🎂

**Thursday July 11**  
**Sunday, July 14** 8th Sunday after Pentecost  
**Worship Service: 10:30 am**  
**Duty Elders:** Lynne Bolton & Fred Coots  
**Fellowship:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 HFI, 6:00 pm—Fellowship Hall  
 🎂Happy birthday, Nancy Pauley🎂

**Monday, July 15**  
**Friday, July 19** Faith and Family Night at the Salem Red Sox, 7:05 pm

**Sunday, July 21** 8th Sunday after Pentecost  
**Worship Service: 10:30 am**  
**Duty Elders:** Paul Phillippe & Patsy D.  
**Fellowship:** Finger Food Pot Luck  
 🎂Happy birthday, Cathy Goad🎂

**Tuesday, July 23**

Clerk of Session: John Kilby

**Class of 2024:** Cathy Goad, Paul Phillippe, Bo Trumbo

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

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

**The Trustees**

Bob Omer, Garland Jones, Peggy Davis

**The Church Staff**

**Interim Minister:** The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson

**Treasurer:** Hal Bailey

**Music Director:** Lori Turner

**Secretary/Bookkeeper:** Danette Heinlein

- ◆ Please check the Fellowship calendar in the Fellowship hall and sign up for available Sundays. **We only have one open Sunday in July!!!**
- ◆ Mark your calendars for a **Finger-food Summer Pot Luck** after services on Sunday, July 21.
- ◆ **Family and Faith Night** at the Salem Red Sox, Friday, July 19, 7:05 pm, a night of **Fellowship and Fun**. Sign up sheet is on the table beneath the bulletin board. **Must sign up and pay by Sunday July 7, so we can purchase tickets!**
- ◆ We are having a **Food Drive for the Botetourt Food Pantry** on Sunday July 7! Please bring your food items. Suggested items are cereal, breakfast bars, cookies, rice or noodle side dishes, any canned meats, canned fruits, and personal care items such as shampoo, deodorant, body wash, toothpaste (no conditioner). They DO Not need any ramen, mac-n-cheese or green beans!
- ◆ **QR Code for an E-Giving option:**



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 The Worshipping Church Hymnal: 1990 Hope Publishing Co. Carol Stream, IL —  
**Service Music:** # 823 Kyrie, #805 Gloria Patri, #809 Doxology.  
**Hymns:** #669 "God of Grace and God of Glory"; #514 "Blessed Assurance"; #416 "Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory"; #697 "In Christ There is No East or West"  
**Service Music:** "Open Our Eyes" - R. Cull/Arr. Mark Zeerman "Piano Praise" © 1976 Maranatha Music; "Spirit Song"-J.Wimber/Arr. Mark Wimber 1959, "Piano Praise (Ibid.); "In His Time"- D. Ball/ Arr. L. Berquist "Piano Praise" (Ibid.); "Shine, Jesus, Shine" - G. Kendrick "The Worshipping Hymnal" (#721) (Ibid).

## Old Testament Reading:

### Deuteronomy 28:1-9:

"And if you obey the voice of the LORD your God, being careful to do all his commandments which I command you this day, the LORD your God will set you high above all the nations of the earth. <sup>2</sup> And all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you, if you obey the voice of the LORD your God. <sup>3</sup> Blessed shall you be in the city, and blessed shall you be in the field. <sup>4</sup> Blessed shall be the fruit of your body, and the fruit of your ground, and the fruit of your beasts, the increase of your cattle, and the young of your flock. <sup>5</sup> Blessed shall be your basket and your kneading-trough. <sup>6</sup> Blessed shall you be when you come in, and blessed shall you be when you go out.

<sup>7</sup> "The LORD will cause your enemies who rise against you to be defeated before you; they shall come out against you one way, and flee before you seven ways. <sup>8</sup> The LORD will command the blessing upon you in your barns, and in all that you undertake; and he will bless you in the land which the LORD your God gives you. <sup>9</sup> The LORD will establish you as a people holy to himself, as he has sworn to you, if you keep the commandments of the LORD your God, and walk in his ways.

## New Testament Reading:

### Luke 1:67-80

<sup>67</sup> And his father Zechari'ah was filled with the Holy Spirit, and prophesied, saying,

<sup>68</sup> "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,

for he has visited and redeemed his people,

<sup>69</sup> and has raised up a horn of salvation for us

in the house of his servant David,

<sup>70</sup> as he spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets from of old,

<sup>71</sup> that we should be saved from our enemies,

and from the hand of all who hate us;

<sup>72</sup> to perform the mercy promised to our fathers,

and to remember his holy covenant,

<sup>73</sup> the oath which he swore to our father Abraham, <sup>74</sup> to grant us that we, being delivered from the hand of our enemies,

## New Testament reading continued:

<sup>75</sup> in holiness and righteousness before him all the days of our life.

<sup>76</sup> And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways,

<sup>77</sup> to give knowledge of salvation to his people in the forgiveness of their sins,

<sup>78</sup> through the tender mercy of our God, when the day shall dawn upon <sup>□</sup> us from on high

<sup>79</sup> to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death,

to guide our feet into the way of peace."

<sup>80</sup> And the child grew and became strong in spirit, and he was in the wilderness till the day of his manifestation to Israel.

## Romans 13:1-8

**13** Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. <sup>2</sup> Therefore he who resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment. <sup>3</sup> For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Would you have no fear of him who is in authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive his approval, <sup>4</sup> for he is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain; he is the servant of God to execute his wrath on the wrongdoer. <sup>5</sup> Therefore one must be subject, not only to avoid God's wrath but also for the sake of conscience. <sup>6</sup> For the same reason you also pay taxes, for the authorities are ministers of God, attending to this very thing. <sup>7</sup> Pay all of them their dues, taxes to whom taxes are due, revenue to whom revenue is due, respect to whom respect is due, honor to whom honor is due.

<sup>8</sup> Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for he who loves his neighbor has fulfilled the law.

## Hymns:

### #669 (vs 1,2 & 4) *“God of Grace and God of Glory”*

1 God of grace and God of glory,  
on your people pour your power;  
crown your ancient Church’s story,  
bring its bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage  
for the facing of this hour,  
for the facing of this hour.

2 Lo! the hosts of evil round us  
scorn your Christ, assail his ways!  
Fears and doubts too long have bound us—  
free our hearts to work and praise.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage  
for the living of these days,  
for the living of these days.

3 Heal your children’s warring madness,  
bend our pride to your control;  
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,  
rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage  
lest we miss your kingdom’s goal,  
lest we miss your kingdom’s goal.

4 Save us from weak resignation  
to the evils we deplore;  
let the gift of your salvation  
be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
serving you whom we adore,  
serving you whom we adore.

### #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)

### #416 (vs 1,3,4) *“Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory”*

1 Mine eyes have seen the glory  
of the coming of the Lord;  
he is trampling out the vintage  
where the grapes of wrath are stored;  
he hath loosed the fateful lightning  
of his terrible swift sword;  
his truth is marching on.

Refrain:

Glory! glory, hallelujah!  
Glory! glory, hallelujah!  
Glory! glory, hallelujah!  
Our God is marching on.

3 He has sounded forth the trumpet  
that shall never call retreat;  
he is sifting out the hearts of men  
before his judgment seat;  
O be swift, my soul, to answer him!  
Be jubilant, my feet!  
Our God is marching on. [Refrain]

4 In the beauty of the lilies  
Christ was born across the sea,  
with a glory in his bosom  
that transfigures you and me;  
as he died to make men holy,  
let us live to make men free,  
while God is marching on. [Refrain]

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