

Profession of Faith: #14

Apostles' Creed

Hymn: #576

*"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"*

Charge

Sung Response: #452

*"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"*

"Turn Your eyes upon Jesus, look full in His wonderful face; and the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of His glory and grace.

Blessing

Postlude:

*"Revive Us Again"*

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### **Prayer Concerns**

**Members:** Nick and Becky Deschamps, Nathalie Givens, Meg and Bob Omer

**Friends and family of FPC:** Jody Young Balaun and Diane Knave (high school friends of Danette), Mary Black, Tom Doshen (brother-in-law of Shueys) Sheila Kessler (Danette's sister), Laura Holt McCann, The family of Betsy McMurry (Keith McMurry's Mom), Sarah Keith Morgan (friend of Lyn Burton) ), Audrey Nicely (Hi's 92 year old Aunt), Mike St.Clair and Gene Rose (friends of Sandy)

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

**Hymns:** #557—"Open My Eyes, That I May See"; #502—"Amazing Grace"; #526—"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"; #452—"Turn Eyes Upon Jesus"

**Service Music:** "Come Let Us Worship and Bow Down/Majesty", Doherty/Hayford, Piano Praise @ 1980 Maranatha Music; Spirit Song", Piano Praise @ 1979 Maranatha Music; "It Is Well With My Soul", P.Bliss, What Can I Play on Sunday? @ 2006 Alfred Publishing Co. Inc.; Revive Us Again, W. Mackay (Gray Hymnal) ; "Will You Let Me Be Your Servant" Text and Music @ 1977 Universal Music—Brentwood Benson Publishing

# *Fincastle Presbyterian Church*



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### **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

## Transfiguration of the Lord Sunday

March 2, 2025 —10:30 am In Person & (Live Streaming—10:20 am)

Gathering Music

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude: *"Come Let Us Worship and Bow Down/Majesty"*  
Doherty/Hayford

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: (Psalm 95: 1,2)

One: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**Many: And also with you,**

One: Let us worship God.

O come let us sing unto the Lord:

**Many: Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.**

One: Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving,

**Many: And make a joyful noise unto him with psalms.**

One: Praise the Lord!

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

Prayer of Invocation

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



Call to Confession: (Unison)

**All: Let us confess our sins before God and all humankind**

Prayer of Confession: (Unison)

**Almighty and most merciful Father,**

**We have erred and strayed from Thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices of our own hearts. We have offended against Thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us,**

**But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare Thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore Thou those who are penitent, according to Thy promises declared**

**unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

**And grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life; to the glory of Thy holy name.**

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: Almighty God, who freely pardons all who repent and turn to Him, now fulfill in every contrite heart the promise of redeeming grace;

**Many: remitting all our sins, and cleansing us from an evil conscience, through the perfect sacrifice of Christ Jesus our Lord.**

**All: Amen.**

\*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



Offering:

2¢ a Meal Collection *"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"*

\*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



Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament Reading: (Pew bible pg. 77)

Exodus 34:29—35

Hymn: #502

*"Amazing Grace"*

New Testament Reading: (Pew bible pg. 900, 901)

Luke 9:28-36

Sermon *"From Mountain Top Experiences To Serving In the Trenches Below."*

The Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, D. Min.

Moment for Meditation

*"It is Well With My Soul"*

JP. Bliss

## THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ Today is **2¢ a Meal**. Make sure you've got your coin collections and food donations ready
- ◆ **Handbells** will begin practicing for Easter music on March 9 after worship. We will have regular practices during the Lenten season. Let's make some joyful noise!
- ◆ The **Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is currently accepting donations for Helene Disaster Relief (DR000169) as well as, CA Wild-fire (DR000165)**. You can donate through e-giving or by check.
- ◆ **March Birthday's:** March 6—Hal Bailey and Ed Shuey; March 8—Natalie Givens; March 9—Mary Lee Reese (David's mother who turn 98); March 18—Cal Beasley; March 25—Alan Brenner; March 29—Patty Vari.
- ◆ If you or your committee or organization needs to use **any space at the church**, please let Danette know so she can make sure the calendar is clear!
- ◆ The **Presbytery Meeting** was postponed and will be held at Quaker Memorial Pres. Church on Thursday March 6. Patsy Dickerson is our commissioner representing Fincastle Presbyterian Church.
- ◆ Mark your calendar for a **Pancake Supper on Shrove Tuesday**, Tuesday March 4, 2025 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. This Pancake Supper is sponsored by the Worship Committee.
- ◆ Wednesday March 5 is **Ash Wednesday**. St. Mark's Episcopal Church here in Fincastle, will be having a 7:00 pm service.
- ◆ **QR Code for an E-Giving option:**



**Clerk of Session: John Kilby**

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

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

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

### **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**

# Calendar of Events

**Planned office hours for week of March 2  
Unknown at this time**

- Sunday, Mar 2** **Transfiguration of the Lord**  
**Worship Service 10:30 am**  
**Sunday School: 9:30 am, Logan Room**  
**2¢ a Meal Collection and Food Donations for Food Pantry**  
Duty Elders: Patsy D & Patty V.  
Fellowship: \_\_\_\_\_
- Tues., Mar 4 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, Fellowship Hall, 5-7:00 pm, sponsored by Worship Committee.
- Wed., Mar 5 Ash Wednesday Service, St. Mark's Episcopal, 7:00 pm
- Thur, Mar.6—Presbytery of the Peaks meeting—Quaker Memorial Church
- Fri, Mar. 7 World Day of Prayer, Sanctuary Open from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.

***Remember: Daylight Savings time begins early Sunday, March 9 (Spring forward)***

**Sunday, Mar. 9—1st Sunday in Lent**

**Worship Service: 10:30 am**

**Sunday School: 9:30 am, Logan Room**

Duty Elders: Lynne B. & Cathy G.

Fellowship: Verna S.

Handbell Practice after Fellowship Time

Tues., Mar.11—Women's Bible Study 2:00 pm

Wed., Mar. 12—Lenten Lunch (noon) at Fincastle United Methodist Church; speaker: Rev. Samuel Plymale, St. Mark's UMC

Sat., Mar. 15—Men's Breakfast at Northstar 9 am

**Sunday Mar. 16 -- 2nd Sunday in Lent**

**Worship Service: 10:30 am**

**Sunday School: 9:30 am, Logan Room**

Duty Elders: Patsy D. and Teri W.

Fellowship: Julia R.

Handbell Practice after Fellowship Time

Mon.—Mar. 17—HFI meeting

Wed., Mar. 16—Lenten Lunch (noon) at Fincastle United Methodist Church; speaker: David Dickerson

PANCAKE

ONE  
LAST  
BITE



ONE  
MORE  
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SHROVE TUESDAY

COME EAT WITH US!

TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2025  
FINCASTLE PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HALL  
5 - 7 PM

NO RSVP NECESSARY

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What is Pancake Tuesday? Also known as Pancake Day or Shrove Tuesday, is a holiday celebrated by many people in the United Kingdom, Canada, and other countries. It typically falls on the Tuesday before the start of Lent and is seen as a way to use up rich ingredients like sugar, butter, and eggs before the fasting period begins. People traditionally make and eat pancakes on this day as a way to celebrate the holiday. It's a fun and family-friendly way to mark the beginning of Lent.

## Upcoming Services in Celebration of Lent

March 4 (Tuesday) - Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner

March 5 (Wednesday) - Ash Wednesday Service  
St. Mark's Episcopal Church—7 pm

March 7 (Friday) - Open Sanctuary for World Day of Prayer

March 12 (Wednesday) - Noon Lenten Service and Lunch at FUMC—  
Rev. Samuel Plymale, St. Mark's UMC

March 19—(Wednesday) Noon Lenten Service and Lunch at  
FUMC— Rev. Dr. David Dickerson, FPC

March 26—(Wednesday) Noon Lenten Service and Lunch at FUMC  
Pastors Tom and Naomi Powers, Daleville Church of the Brethren

*Friday, March 7— 11 am—1pm*

**World Day  
of Prayer**

*Sanctuary will be open for person prayers*

*Soft Music will be playing*

## Music Insert

### 1st Hymn—"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!

### 2nd Hymn—"Amazing Grace"

1 Amazing grace! how sweet the sound  
that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found,  
was blind but now I see.

2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed!

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

4 Through many dangers, toils and snares  
I have already come;  
'tis grace that brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.

5 When we've been there ten thousand years,  
bright shining as the sun,  
we've no less days to sing God's praise  
than when we'd first begun.

### 3rd Hymn—"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

1 I have decided to follow Jesus,  
I have decided to follow Jesus,  
I have decided to follow Jesus—  
no turning back, no turning back.

2 The world behind me, the cross before me,  
the world behind me, the cross before me,  
the world behind me, the cross before me—  
no turning back, no turning back.

3 Though none go with me, still I will follow,  
though none go with me, still I will follow,  
though none go with me, still I will follow—  
no turning back, no turning back.

4 Will you decide now to follow Jesus?  
Will you decide now to follow Jesus?  
Will you decide now to follow Jesus?—  
no turning back, no turning back.

## Old Testament Reading

### Exodus 34:29—35

<sup>29</sup> When Moses came down from Mount Sinai, with the two tables of the testimony in his hand as he came down from the mountain, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. <sup>30</sup> And when Aaron and all the people of Israel saw Moses, behold, the skin of his face shone, and they were afraid to come near him. <sup>31</sup> But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses talked with them. <sup>32</sup> And afterward all the people of Israel came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him in Mount Sinai. <sup>33</sup> And when Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; <sup>34</sup> but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he took the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the people of Israel what he was commanded, <sup>35</sup> the people of Israel saw the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses' face shone; and Moses would put the veil upon his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

## New Testament Reading

### Luke 9:28-36

<sup>28</sup> Now about eight days after these sayings he took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. <sup>29</sup> And as he was praying, the appearance of his countenance was altered, and his raiment became dazzling white. <sup>30</sup> And behold, two men talked with him, Moses and Eli'jah, <sup>31</sup> who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, which he was to accomplish at Jerusalem. <sup>32</sup> Now Peter and those who were with him were heavy with sleep, and when they wakened they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. <sup>33</sup> And as the men were parting from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is well that we are here; let us make three booths, one for you and one for Moses and one for Eli'jah"—not knowing what he said. <sup>34</sup> As he said this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. <sup>35</sup> And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, my Chosen,<sup>[a]</sup> listen to him!" <sup>36</sup> And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silence and told no one in those days anything of what they had seen.