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First Presbyterian Church, Staunton, VA

Mission & Vision Statement

Adopted on September 10, 2024

We open our hearts and our doors to worshipping Christ in downtown Staunton as a visible witness to the Gospel.

We are called to be a congregation that...

1. Invites all people to faith in Christ.
2. Worships God in a vibrant community through discipleship, music, and fellowship.
3. Uses our resources, time, and talents in the service of the least of these.
4. Nurtures and strengthens those within and outside of our community.
5. Makes the best use of our historic downtown property to benefit others.



7th Sunday after Pentecost

July 27th, 2025 @ 11:00am

A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

PRELUDE

*"Let the Church Rise" Dr. Renee Huff
by Israel Houghton and Jason Stockstill, © 2006 Integrity's Praise/Media*

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Jeff Binder

INTROIT

*"Hear Our Praises"
by Reuben Morgan, © 1998 Hillsong*

WORDS OF PRAISE

Psalm 85:7-13

Dick Cox

Show us your steadfast love, O LORD,
and grant us your salvation.
Let me hear what God the LORD will speak,
for God will speak peace to his people,
to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts.
Surely God's salvation is at hand for those who fear him,
that God's glory may dwell in our land.
Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet;
righteousness and peace will kiss each other.
Faithfulness will spring up from the ground,
and righteousness will look down from the sky.
The LORD will give what is good,
and our land will yield its increase.
Righteousness will go before the LORD,
and will make a path for his steps.

***OPENING HYMN #610** *"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"*

***OPENING PRAYER**

Unison

O God of our salvation, speak peace to us as your people as we turn to you within this act of worship. We confess our broken humanity. We have been easily deceived by the short-sighted philosophies and impulses of this world. We have neglected to share your love and kingdom values with our neighbors, both near and far. Have mercy on us, O Lord, and show us your grace. Renew us, O God, and restore us again, that we may abide forever in your presence, abounding in thanksgiving.

***ASSURANCE OF GOD’S GRACE** Galatians 5:24
We who belong in Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.
Therefore, let us live in love and bear one another’s burdens, in the assurance that
we are forgiven and made alive in the Spirit.
Thanks be to God!

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**
The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.
(Please greet those around you with the peace of Christ.)

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE #568** “Amen”

SCRIPTURE READING 1 Samuel 16:1-13
This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM “Let My Words Be Few”
by Beth and Matt Redman, © 2000 Thank You Music PRS
SERMON “Anointing” *Rev. Dr. Jeff Binder*

***HYMN OF RESPONSE #625** “O Lord My God”

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Romans 8:35, 37-39
Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution,
or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?
**No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For
we are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things
present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in
all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER

MINUTE FOR MISSION *Scott Wilson*

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY “Hear us From Heaven”
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***DOXOLOGY #606** “Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”

***PRAYER OF GRATITUDE**

***CLOSING HYMN #611** “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

***BLESSING & SENDING**
As God’s own people, be merciful in action, kindly in heart, humble in mind.
May we be always ready to forgive as freely as God has forgiven us.
And, above everything else, be loving,
And may we never forget to be thankful for what Christ has done for us.
In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
Alleluia! Amen.

***POSTLUDE #86** “The People Who Walked in Darkness”
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEIFETZ CONCERT SATURDAY, AUGUST 2 Heifetz will perform their 2025 Grand Finale
concert in our sanctuary on Saturday, August 2 at 7:30pm. We hope to see you there!

BIBLE STUDY EVERY TUESDAY AT 10:00AM! Please join us for Bible Study every
Tuesday at 10:00am in the library. Discussions are lively and refreshments are
provided. All are welcome. Please join us!

Prayer List

Please send out prayers for: Family of Opal Homan; Betty Kegley; Fay Knicley;
Mary Meade; Alice Herbst; Molly Cox; Mona Tate; Sandra; Angela Pumphrey;
Connie Caywood; Simon Marsh; Ben Rice; Collin Parrish; Danny Anson;
William Walker

*Please contact Heidi in the church office or Pastor Jeff to have names added or removed from
the prayer list.*

Names will be removed after 6 weeks unless otherwise requested.