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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.



19th Sunday after Pentecost

October 19th, 2025 @ 11:00am

A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

PRELUDE #188

"Jesus Loves Me!"

Dr. Renee Huff

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Jeff Binder

INTROIT #176

"If You Only Had Faith"

WORDS OF PRAISE

Psalm 19 selected verses

Scott Wilson

The heavens are telling the glory of God,
and the firmament proclaims God's handiwork.

Day to day pours forth speech,
and night to night declares knowledge.

There is no speech, nor are there words;
their voice is not heard;

yet their voice goes out through all the earth
and their words to the end of the world.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

***OPENING HYMN #8**

"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

***OPENING PRAYER**

Unison

O Lord our God, you call us to work for a world where all will be fed and have dignity, but we find ourselves distracted by our own desires.

You call us to seek justice and peace, but we tolerate injustice and discord.

You call us to bring liberty to the oppressed, but we do not insist on freedom for all.

Forgive us, O Lord. Turn us to your will by the power of your Spirit, so that all may know your justice and peace.

Thanks be to God!

And also with you.

vss. 1, 4, & 5

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM #683 "Lord of All Hopefulness"

Rev. Dr. Jeff Binder

***HYMN OF RESPONSE #321** “The Church’s One Foundation”

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *A Brief Statement of Faith* *Unison*

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world.

God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY "I Will Boast" *additional lyrics by Dr. Renee Huff*
by Paul Baloche © 2006 Integrity's Hosanna

***DOXOLOGY #606** “Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”

***PRAYER OF GRATITUDE**

***CLOSING HYMN #462** *"I Love to Tell the Story"*

*BLESSING & SENDING

Go out into the world in peace;

May we have the courage to share God's grace with the world.

Hold on to what is good; return no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted;

May we support the weak, and help the suffering.

Honor all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Alleluia! Amen.

***POSTLUDE #547** *“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

PIZZA AND PUMPKINS IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL TODAY, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19! Today, Sunday, October 19, please bring children and friends to the fellowship hall immediately following worship to enjoy pizza, salad, and treats. All are welcome. We hope to see you there!

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26 We will have a congregational meeting on Sunday, October 26, immediately following worship for the purpose of electing officers. We hope you can be there!

Prayer List

Please send out prayers for: Shelia & Jim Fox; Cindy Sokol; family of Trish and Ari Causey & SCA; Ron Lowman; Fay Knicley; Mary Meade; Molly Cox; Mona Tate; Sandra; Ben Rice; Collin Parrish; Danny Anson; Sandler/Gottlieb family

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.