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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.



2nd Sunday of Christmas

January 4, 2026 @ 11:00am/Epiphany Sunday

A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

PRELUDE

"Break Forth, O Beauteous, Heavenly Light"

harmony by Johann Rist and Johann Schop/by JS Bach © 1981 Ardee Music Pub.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Jeff Binder

INTROIT #127

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

WORDS OF PRAISE

Isaiah 60 selected verses

Scott Wilson

Arise, shine; for your light has come,

and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

Nations shall come to your light,

and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

Lift up your eyes and look around;

they all gather together, they come to you.

Then you shall see and be radiant;

your heart shall thrill and rejoice,

because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,

the wealth of the nations shall come to you.

They shall bring gold and frankincense,

and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

***OPENING HYMN #151**

"We Three Kings of Orient Are"

***OPENING PRAYER**

Unison

Everlasting God, the radiance of faithful souls, who brought the nations to your light and kings to the brightness of your rising: Fill the world with your glory, and show yourself to all the nations.

Your ways are always highest and best, yet we have tried to fashion and follow our own ways. We have clung to our darkness, rather than following your light. Forgive our selfish waywardness, and help us by your Spirit to follow the light of your son.

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overtake it.
God's Word is here among us – Emmanuel.
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
Alleluia!

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

SCRIPTURE READINGS Matthew 2:1-12
1 Corinthians 1:18-31

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

SERMON "Foolishness" Rev. Dr. Jeff Binder

OFFERTORY #135 “Rise Up, Shepherd, and Follow”

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Prayer After Communion

Hymnal pg. 35

UPDATED CONTACT INFORMATION NEEDED Please provide updated info to the church office regarding your address, phone number, and email address for our 2026 directory. Also, if you no longer have a landline, please inform us of that as well. Thank you!

Names will be removed after 6 weeks unless otherwise requested.