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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.



November 15, 2026 @ 11:00am

A Service for the Worship of God

Prelude "He" *Dr. Renee Huff*
by Richard Mullan music by Jack Richards © 1974 AVAS Pub.

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements *Rev. Dr. Jeff Binder*

Introit #276 "Sing a New Song unto the Lord"

Words of Praise Psalm 33:1-5 *Cindy Cooke*
Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous.
Praise befits the upright.
Praise the Lord with the lyre;
make melody to God with the harp of ten strings.
Sing to the Lord a new song;
play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.
For the word of the Lord is upright,
and all God's work is done in faithfulness.
The Lord loves righteousness and justice;
the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.

***Opening Hymn #396** "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship"

***Opening Prayer** *Book of Common Order* (1940) *Unison*
Everlasting God, in whom we live and move and have our being:
You have made us for yourself, so that our hearts are restless until they rest in you.
Give us purity of heart, and strength of purpose, that no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing your will, and no weakness keep us from doing it.
That in your light we may see light clearly, and in your service find perfect freedom.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

***Assurance of God's Grace**

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
May the God of mercy, who forgives us all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.
Thanks be to God!

***Passing of the Peace**

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

***Response of Praise #568** "Amen"

Scripture Reading Philippians 3

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

Anthem "Jesus, All for Jesus"
by Robin Marks & Jennifer Atkinson © 1991 Authentic Pub.

Sermon "Rubbish" *Rev. Dr. Jeff Binder*

***Hymn of Response #829** "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

***Affirmation of Faith** *Book of Common Worship* *Unison*

As many of us as were baptized into Christ, have clothed ourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all are one in Christ Jesus.
There is one body and one Spirit, just as we were called to the one hope of our calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

Prayers of the People

Call to Offering

Offertory "I Am Resolved"
lyrics by Palmer, Hartsough; music by James H. Fillmore, 1896

***Doxology #606** "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

***Prayer of Gratitude**

***Closing Hymn #353** "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

***Blessing & Sending** Revelation 7:11-12

May God's blessings be upon you this day and every day.
May we live our lives radiating God's abundance in this world and the next.
Blessing and glory, and wisdom and thanksgiving, and honor and power and might, be to our God forever and ever.
Alleluia! Amen.

Postlude #366 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

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Announcements

Session Retreat Today, Sunday, November 15 There will be a Session retreat today, Sunday, November 15, from 2:00-5:00pm at Scott & Sharon Wilson's home.

Christmas Decorating in Sanctuary Tuesday, November 24 We will be decorating the sanctuary for Advent & Christmas Tuesday, November 24, at 6:00pm. Pizza and dessert will be served at 5:30pm. Everyone is encouraged to attend! Please join us.

73 Coats Collected for Foster Children! A heartfelt thank you to all who contributed coats, sweaters, hats, and funds to our winter coats drive in support of the Foster's Closet at the Presbyterian Children's Home of the Highlands (PCHH) in Wytheville, VA. The coats will be used to keep foster children at the home and in nearby Bland County warm in the upcoming winter months. Those at PCHH send their thanks and prayers to our church for these much-needed items.
With joy - the Missions and Outreach Committee

Christmas Lunch Sunday, December 6 We will have our annual Christmas lunch immediately following worship on Sunday, December 6. All food and drinks will be provided by the church, so there's no need to bring anything! **Members and friends are asked to RSVP to the church office at stauntonfirst@gmail.com or 540-886-0704 by Tuesday, December 1**, so we will know how much food to order (we will have a fully catered event this year!) All are welcome!

Prayer List

Please send out prayers for: Alice Herbst; Denise Lowman; Hugh Sproul; Molly Cox; Floyd Buran; Mona Tate; Kim Young; Timmy Plummer; Betty Patton; Teresa Anson

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.