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Peter Burr's culture reflected his Puritan heritage.

His Presbyterian beliefs would have flowed out of his Puritan roots as they converged with the new movement in the 1730s that became known as the Great Awakening. Peter Burr Sr was the brother of Rev. Aaron Burr, who helped found New Jersey College (now Princeton University) to train young Presbyterian ministers in the New Lite Movement of the times. Rev. Aaron Burr was closely associated with Rev. Jonathan Edwards a leader in the movement and father of Esther Edwards, who later married Rev. Aaron Burr. Rev. Aaron Burr and Rev. Jonathan Edwards were respectively the second and third presidents of Princeton.

Puritan Beliefs

- Should be a Protestant in reality and truth, not merely by profession or education;
 - Should be distinguished by sincere love and veneration for his Almighty Creator,
 - Steadfast faith in the Savior of the World, the only mediator between God and Man;
 - Humble reliance on the guidance and purifying power of the Holy Spirit;
 - And the constant practice of truth and justice, brotherly kindness and charity, loyalty and obedience to the laws.
- He should, moreover, be in conduct wise and prudent, honest and temperate;
 - In disposition gentle and compassionate;
 - In behavior kind and courteous;
 - Cultivating the society of the good, and avoiding the society of evil.
 - He should honor and study the Holy Scriptures, making them the rule of his belief and life;
 - Uphold and defend, by all legitimate means, the Protestant Faith in Church and State;
 - Protest against and oppose the erroneous and dangerous doctrines and practices of the Church of Rome; and resist the power, ascendancy, encroachments and extension of that Church.
 - By all lawful means, co-operate with true Protestant's in preventing or removing in and from the Established and other Protestant Churches all changes, ceremonies, practices and ornaments savoring of or resembling the Church of Rome, or inconsistent with the Reformation principles.
 - Duly observe the Sabbath Day,
 - Regularly attend public worship;
 - Should by his general converse, indicate his veneration for the name of God, and abhorrence of profane and indecent language;
 - The glory of God and the love of man, the honor of his Protestant Sovereign, and the good of his Country, should be his principles and motives

Visit the Peter Burr House

170 E. Burr Blvd., Kearneysville, WV 25430
(at Burr Industrial Park in the far right back corner)

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