

January 22, 2026



Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

Pastor's Corner

Pastor Bea Miller

Dear First Presbyterian family,

First Presbyterian Church, Martinsville, VA is now a corporation. Randy Rollins took the lead on all the required paperwork and Bill Kirby added some finishing touches. Thanks be to our Administration Committee, The Trustees, The Session, our Treasure and Clerk who all had a role in making this happen.

The change that most of us will notice first, is the absence of Trustees. But while the position is no longer, their expertise in investing and caring for our endowment will continue. In the near future, a group will be formed with the purpose of overseeing our investments and reporting to the Session. We are grateful for the work of the Trustees throughout the history of First Presbyterian and we pray God's blessing on the group that will carry their work forward.

And yes, we have a team watching the weekend weather. There are many ways for you to see if we are closed on Sunday. It will be on Facebook, our website, on TV (WSLS-10, WXFR-27, WDBJ-7). Stay warm and safe!

Praying for all who are struggling with the cold,

Pastor Bea



Please join us for worship this third Sunday after the Epiphany at 10:00AM

Sermon by Pastor Bea

based upon Matthew 4:12-23 and Isaiah 9:1-4

Liturgist: Pearl Minter

Ushers/Greeters: Bob Wuestefeld, Barbara Duncan

2nd Coffee: Ashby and Lynn Pritchett

Liturgist Schedule

February

1 Joe DeVault
8 Barbara Duncan
15 Cindy Edgerton
22 Janet Fentress

March

1 Duke Ferrell
8 Liz Ferrell
15 Billy Kirby
22 Sharon Kirby
29 no liturgist needed if we participate in Palm Sunday in the park

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9:30am - 4pm

Friday 9:30am - 2pm

If you need to conduct office business outside these hours, please call to make an appointment.

BEWARE: Two members of our congregation recently received **scam** emails that purported to be sent by Pastor Bea asking for help with the purchase of gift cards. PLEASE remember, SHE WILL NEVER ASK you to purchase anything on her behalf with the promise to pay you back. If you have questions about any email communications from her, please call or text her or Rita!



Be Aware! Protect yourself from scammers!

Watch for emails, texts or calls that might be fraudulent and do not trust communications (even if they sound legitimate) that ask for personal information, money or gift cards.

You will NEVER get an email from the church or your pastor asking you to purchase gift cards because we are busy or in a meeting.



Session Meeting - Monday, January 26 at 4 PM

Join us at Forest Hills Presbyterian (725 Beechnut Lane, Martinsville) on Sunday, February 1st at 11:00 AM for a community worship service of gratitude and farewell as we celebrate the retirement of Pastor Cheryl Peebles and Forest Hills' final worship service. A reception in the Fellowship Hall with sandwiches and other finger foods will follow the service.

The FPC Women's Circle Meeting is Monday, February 2nd at King's Grant at 11:00 AM.



*More information to come as registration begins
Sunday, January 25th.*

January Birthdays

7 Elena King
10 Dr. James Beard
11 Cathy Martin
16 Billy Kirby, Wendy Luther
17 Grace Ann Crimmins
18 Mary Elizabeth Pilson-Bazemore
21 Bonny Pace
23 Milt Davis
26 Bud Buffkin
28 David Garland
29 Jack Kirby
29 Rusty Reaser
31 Mattie Wingfield

Congregational Care and Fellowship

If you are in need of a [prayer shawl](#), or know someone that could use one, please pick one up from the narthex and be sure to sign it out. If you have any questions, please reach out to **Susan Pilson**.

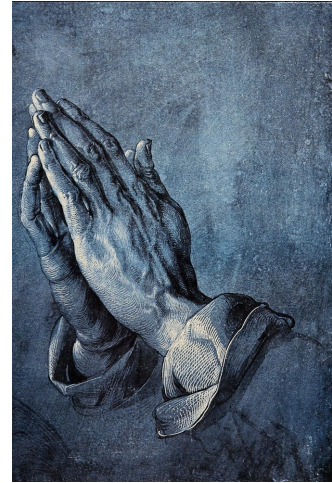
If you are in need of prayer, a meal, transportation, etc...due to a death in the family or the birth of a baby, please reach out to the Congregational Care and

Fellowship committee by contacting **Susan** at [276 340-7288](tel:2763407288).

These members and friends of the congregation need our prayers:

PRAYER CONCERNS

Family of Kathryn Campbell Tuggle Neil, Family of Kathryn Judson, Sue Benfield, Bud Buffkin, Evelyn Cannaday, Joel Christman (B. Stanley), April Cox (B. Tatum), Marge Dunn, Martin Ford, Marvin Hudson, Liz Jackman (daughter of Nancy Davis), Mary Manning, Jackie McLachlan, Leslie Naradikian (Marion Miller's daughter), Maggie Pilson, Rusty Reaser, Cecil Robbins, Sandra Roberts (sister of Kat Walker), Susan Rosser, Becky Stone Sawyers (L. Pritchett), Dee Moore Smith, Laura Stevens, Scott Stevens, Bruce Thomas, , Tammy Tucker Wardinski, persecuted Christians, military service men and women, missionaries, refugees and immigrants forced to flee their countries, and families and areas devastated by severe weather.



Grace Network Donations

1st Quarter 2026 Food Donation Items is Creamed Corn, 15 oz.



Please consider donating extra when you are able to get out and about as your donations will become more important than ever.

ALSO in need of plastic grocery bags and empty egg cartons (dozen size). These can be deposited in the bins inside the Narthex

Hygiene Items are always needed (optional)

- *Toilet Paper
- *Bath Soap
- *Dish Detergent
- *Feminine Products
- *Deodorant
- *Toothpaste
- *Laundry Detergent

**Items may be brought to the church or dropped off at Grace Network, Monday - Friday, 9-2 PM*



Steeple Views Reminder

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Steeple Views is published weekly on Thursdays, unless the Church office is

closed. **DEADLINE** for submission of articles is Wednesday afternoon by 3 PM

If you have information you want included in Steeple Views, **PLEASE SEND TO: fpcsteepleviews@gmail.com**. For time sensitive announcements, please send to skirbycwj@gmail.com **and text [276 806-9709](tel:2768069709)**

We reserve the right to edit all submissions. Sharon Kirby, Editor



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<https://www.peakspresbytery.org/peaks-postings/>

Our Mission

Share God's Love, Embrace Our Neighbors, Nurture Each Other

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www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/page.cfm/topic/newsletter

Useful Links

FPC website:

www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/ or www.fpcmartinsvilleVA.org/

FPC online directory: members.instantchurchdirectory.com/

FPC Facebook page: www.facebook.com/FPCMartinsvilleVA

Presbytery of the Peaks: www.peakspresbytery.org/

Presbyterian Church (USA): www.pcusa.org/

Daily Bible Readings: www.presbyterianmission.org/devotion/daily/

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Class of 2027

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Johnny Pinkard: Facilities

Judy King: Worship

Class of 2028

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