

June 19, 2025



Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

Pastor's Corner Pastor Bea Miller

Dear First Presbyterian family,

ONE WEEK!!! And about 170 of our closest friends will determine our future...



There is still time to register for Presbytery! Registration is open until Wednesday. Presbytery packets are now available on at peakspresbytery.org. This will be a short, interesting, fun Presbytery meeting. So, if you have ever thought about seeing your Presbytery in action, June 26th is the perfect time. This is how to register:

- 1) Go to peakspresbytery.org
- 2) At the top of the page click on "Resource" to see the pull-down menu
- 3) On the pull-down menu select "Presbytery Meeting Information"
- 4) Find words in blue "Register here" and click on the words
- 5) A Form will appear. Fill in the form with: email, first name, last name, church name
- 6) In the next section, click the box next to "Visitor"
- 7) Then in the next section, click the circle "Yes" for lunch. Lunch is Checkered Pig,
- 8) Finally, click the green SUBMIT button.

As a registered visitor, you can be on the floor. You will not be able to vote, but you can be in the room for THE VOTE. And we can all make a joyful noise when the vote goes our way! Please give me a call if you have any questions.

May Peace be with us all,

Pastor Bea

P.S. If you show up on Thursday and you have not registered, no worries. You can register on the spot. But pre-registration helps, especially with planning lunch.



Please join us for worship this second Sunday after Pentecost at 10:00 AM

Sermon by Pastor Bea

based upon Luke 8:26-39 and Galatians 3:23-29

Liturgist: Joe Williams

Ushers/Greeters: Randy and Martha Rollins

THIS SUNDAY - Lemonade on the lawn following worship

Liturgist Schedule

June

29 Taylor Shank

July

6 Gale Buck

13 Joe DeVault

20 Barbara Duncan

27 Duke Ferrell

August

3 Cindy Edgerton
10 ****no liturgist needed****
17 Sharon Kirby
24 Mary Linker
31 Liz Ferrell

September

7 Ione Linker
14 ****no liturgist needed****
21 Billy Kirby
28 Pearl Minter

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9:30am - 3pm
Friday CLOSED

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

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.



Registration Opens June 9th

Note the format change!

As this will be Carl's final Presbytery meeting as GP, presbytery voted to meet in-person rather than via Zoom.

Our Next Presbytery Meeting
Thursday
June 26, 2025
IN-PERSON

Hosted by the Martinsville and Henry County congregations
at
First Presbyterian Church, Martinsville

Volunteers Needed: Presbytery of the Peaks Meeting on June 26!

First Presbyterian Church Martinsville is honored to host the upcoming **Presbytery of the Peaks Meeting on Thursday, June 26, 2025!** This special day will also include a celebration honoring **Carl Utley, the retiring Moderator of the Presbytery.** With around 200 people expected, we need everyone's help.

We're looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help make this event a smooth and welcoming experience for everyone. Please consider lending your time to one or more of these opportunities:

Volunteer Opportunities

- **Parking Attendants (4-6 people):** Direct attendees to available parking, building entrances for registration, and accessible parking.
 - *Time needed: 8:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.*
- **Registration (2 people):** Confirm pre-registrations and assist walk-in attendees.

- *Time needed: 8:45 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.*
- **Lunch Ticket Sales (2 people):** Sell lunch tickets to attendees.
 - *Time needed: 8:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.*
- **Lunch Ticket Collectors (2 people):** Collect lunch tickets as attendees enter the dining area.
 - *Time needed: 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.*
- **Greeters (4 people):** Welcome attendees and direct them.
- **Morning Hostess (4 people):** Set up coffee, tea, water, and refreshments for the registration period.
 - *Time needed: 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.*
- **Lunch Hostess (4 people):** Set up the lunch buffet in Fellowship Hall.
 - *Time needed: 12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m.*
- **Clean Up Crew (8 people):** Help tidy up Fellowship Hall and the kitchen, and remove trash from the lower level.
 - *Time needed: 2:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.*

If you can assist with one or more of these vital roles, please advise **Liz Ferrell, Nancy Moore, or Susan Pilson** as soon as possible. Your support will help us extend a warm FPC Martinsville welcome to our Presbytery guests!

[Session Meeting - Monday, June 23 at 4pm](#)

[Community Worship:](#)

July 13 FPC Martinsville

August 10 Forest Hills

September 14 Grace

Our church is once again the host site for the Martinsville-Henry County After 3 Summer Camp sponsored by P&HCC. This program will run **Monday through Friday, 7:45 AM to 6:00 PM, June 9th-July 18th** (no camp the week of June 30th- July 4th). They will also be off site the week of June 23 to allow FPC to get ready to host the Presbytery meeting on June 26th. They will be using multiple areas of the building including the fellowship hall and kitchen. Please keep this in mind if you schedule meetings or activities.

Community Breakfast



The community breakfast is ***Saturday, June 21***. This month's leaders are Sharon and Billy Kirby. If you are available to help prepare, serve, clean or fellowship, please contact **Sharon** ([276 806-9709](tel:2768069709)).

Cooking begins at 7:00 AM and breakfast is served from 8:00 - 9:30

Happy Birthday in June!

- 1** Christopher Crimmins, Gage Lawson, Reid Lawson
- 3** Riley Wood
- 8** Shanna King
- 9** Susan Smith
- 10** Betty Hudson, Cindy Edgerton
- 12** Lt. Col. David King
- 16** Ainsley Russell
- 18** Susan Pilson
- 23** Basil Boyd, David Price
- 24** Dr. Denny Casey
- 26** Ann Reaser
- 29** Caroline Kirby



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

Anne Abercrombie, Sue Benfield, Jackie Bloxom (P. Stanley), Bud Buffkin, Evelyn Cannaday, Joel Christman (B. Stanley), April Cox (B. Tatum), Nancy Davis, Marge Dunn, Martin Ford, Doug Goldstein, Marvin Hudson, Jamelle Waid Linker (Ed Linker's daughter-in-law), Mary Manning, Jackie McLachlan, Maggie Pilson, Rusty Reaser, Susan Rosser, Becky Stone Sawyers (L. Pritchett), Dee Moore Smith, Laura Stevens, Scott Stevens, Bruce Thomas, Carl Utey, Tammy Tucker Wardinski, Jodi White (sister of P. Marshall/G. Chaney), persecuted Christians, military service men and women, missionaries, and all refugees and immigrants forced to flee their countries.



Grace Network Donations

**2nd quarter 2025 food donation item is
Creamed corn 15 oz**



**3rd quarter 2025 food donation item is
Applesauce 24 - 32oz**



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 (any 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. **DEADLINE** for submission of articles is Wednesday evening.

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



For updates and announcements, please click on the link below or copy and paste into your web browser:

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

Our Mission

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

Printed copies of *Steeple Views* are available at church. Current and back issues are also on our website:

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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Clerk: Liz Ferrell

Treasurer: Henry Moore

Class of 2025

Ron Rebman: Mission/Outreach

Janet Fentress: Worship

Monica Stevens: Christian Education

Class of 2026

Billy Kirby: Administration

Susan Pilson: Congregational Care and Fellowship

Anne Madonia: Think Tank

Class of 2027

Nancy Moore: Stewardship

Johnny Pinkard: Facilities

Judy King: Worship (co-chair)

TRUSTEES

2025: William Kirby, Gale Legg

2026: Sharon Kirby, Dru Rothrock

2027: Duke Ferrell, Joe Williams

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