



Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

New Elders to be installed Sunday

During the 11 o'clock service on **Sunday, January 10**, Ruling Elders will be installed and ordained. Bill Kirby will be installed in the Class of 2016 to replace Virginia Truitt, who moved out of town. Jerri DeVault, Nancy Moore, and Monica Stevens will be installed in the Class of 2018. Monica and Jerri will also be ordained as elders, not having served before.

Agape Ministry to be commissioned Sunday

The Agape Ministry Team, volunteers who have been trained to assist Pastor Mark with visitation, will be commissioned on **Sunday, January 10**, during the 11 o'clock service.

Congregational Meeting Sunday

Immediately following the 11 o'clock service on **January 10**, there will be a brief congregational meeting to approve the terms of the pastor's call for 2016. It was previously announced that this would be the annual meeting; however, that was an error.

Session Actions

At the stated meeting on January 5, the Session took the following actions:

- Welcomed Nancy Baker as the Clerk of Session for 2016. Joan Montgomery was thanked for her 7 years as Clerk.
- Approved the hiring of a part time employee, Deborah Burgess, to lead the music program for the Early Service.
- Distributed updated copy of the Manual of Operations to the Session.

A complete list of Session meeting highlights is available on our church website:

<http://www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/news.cfm?ID=518>

What's Happening Jan. 9-16

Saturday 9

Session Training, 9:00 AM–12 Noon, Session Room. For all new and returning Ruling Elders.

Sunday 10

Contemporary Worship, 8:30 AM, Chapel

Child care is provided all morning for infants and toddlers in the nursery under the Sanctuary.

Fellowship, 9:30 AM, Fellowship Hall

Sunday School, 9:45 AM, Children 4 yrs-2nd grade, Room 11-12 under the Sanctuary; Adult Bible study, Session Room, taught by Rev. Rusty Reaser

Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Usher group #3: Monty Montgomery (Captain), Dennis Casey, Joan Montgomery, Henry Moore, Ashby Pritchett

Liturgist: Nancy Davis

Congregational Meeting, 12:00 Noon, Sanctuary, to approve the terms of the pastor's call for 2016.

Monday 11

G.P.S., 3:00 PM, Youth Music Room, Music and Bible study for children from kindergarten through middle school.

Congregational Supper, 6:00 PM, Fellowship Hall. Everyone is welcome.

Committee Meetings, 7:00 PM. Please join a committee and help carry on the work of our congregation.



Wednesday 13

Sanctuary Ringers, 5:45 PM, Handbell Room

Chancel Choir, 7:00 PM, Choir Room

Friday 15

Deadline for DaCapo Virginia registration. See article below.

Saturday 16

Free Community Breakfast, 8:00–9:30 AM, Fellowship Hall. Volunteers are needed beginning at **7:00 AM**. Denny Casey (d.a.casey@comcast.net) is in charge this month.

For a complete calendar of what's happening at FPC Martinsville, visit our website: <http://www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/calendar.cfm>.

The Service for the Lord's Day, January 10, 2016

Baptism of the Lord

Scripture Lessons

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 and Isaiah 43:1-7

Sermon by Rev. Mark Hinchcliff

"Sealed Upon Your Heart"

Additional Lectionary Readings for Sunday

Psalm 29; Acts 8:14-17

Call to Action

Handbell Choir Needs Ringers

If you read music and would like to help out the handbell choir, we need one or two more ringers. Contact Cynthia Dobrinski at the church or 650-3563 or 734-0212 if you are interested.



Welcome New Members!

Ron and Carol Rebman

Ron and Carol Rebman were welcomed as members of our congregation on Sunday, December 6. They live at King's Grant.



DaCapo Virginia Registering Now

New session begins January 19

Join us for an amazing 15-week session filled with music, life skills, friendships, and performances!

Returning students can register online at

<http://www.dacapova.org/howtojoin/howtojoin/Register/registeronline.php>

New students must complete the new student registration paperwork found at

<http://dacapova.org/forms/NewStudentRegistration2015.pdf>

Registration and payment are **due by January 15**. Cost is \$280.00 tuition for the 15-week session, plus there's a \$35 registration fee for new students only. Rehearsals will be held on **Tuesdays at FPC** and run through the week of May 9, with concerts following.

ANIMATO, grades 2-6, 4:30-6:00 PM

CANTARE, grades 7-12, 6:15-7:45 PM

Tuition scholarships of 50% are available; please contact Tracee Prillaman (traceep@dacapova.org) for more information. Applications for scholarships are due by **Monday, January 11**.

Don't forget, there's a 10% tuition discount for siblings AND a 10% tuition discount for referrals!

Congratulations!

Max Pinkston, Eagle Scout

Congratulations to Max Pinkston, son of Heidi and Shane, who received his Eagle Scout award on Dec. 27 at a Court of Honor in our Sanctuary. Max is a member of Boy Scout Troop 326, and his project was a playground at the new Rooster Walk site, Pop's Farm.





Martha Ann Davis

April 9, 1944 - December 21, 2015

Our dear friend Marty Davis joined the Church Triumphant on December 21, 2015. She had been a member of our First Presbyterian Church family since December 5, 1999. Our deepest sympathy is extended to her husband Bob and her children and grandchildren. A Memorial Service was held at 2:00 PM on Tuesday, December 29, 2015, in our Sanctuary with Rev. Mark Hinchcliff officiating. Her obituary may be read here:

<http://obits.dignitymemorial.com/dignity-memorial/obituary.aspx?n=Martha-Davis&lc=7529&pid=177016463&mid=6725293>

Gifts to the Church

In memory of Rev. Randall Stevens

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Garrett, Jr.

In memory of Bill Peterson

Langhorne S. Mauck

In memory of

William Franck, Elizabeth Ford, Charlie Miller, Laura Chiudioni, Bill Peterson, Nancy Betz, Glenna Harmeyer, Jean Linker

Marge Dunn

In honor of Cooks Who Care

Hilde Chappell

Happy January Birthdays!

4 Marie Thompson

6 Iliene Hite

7 Buck Flythe, Rob King

9 Jennifer Nease

10 Jim Beard

11 Cathy Martin

16 Wendy Luther, Billy Kirby

17 Carolyn Franck, Jake Sanders, Grace Anne Edgerton

19 Helen Flythe

21 Mark Mason, Bonny Pace

24 Greg Darnell
26 Bud Buffkin
28 David Garland
29 Rusty Reaser, Alan Ferguson, Jack Kirby
31 Mattie Wingfield

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

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Moderator: Rev. Mark Hinchcliff

Clerk: Nancy Baker

Class of 2016

Chris Beeler

Pearl Minter

Bill Kirby

Class of 2017

Denny Casey

Cindy Edgerton

Victoria Esarey

Class of 2018

Jerri DeVault

Nancy Moore

Monica Stevens

TRUSTEES

2016: Billy Kirby, Kent Williams

2017: Bob Davis, Joe DeVault

2018: Monty Montgomery, Henry Moore

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