

April 17, 2016



# Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

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*Grace Network of Martinsville & Henry County*

*Cordially invites you and your congregations to the  
10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration*

*April 23, 2016*

*4:00 PM*

*at*

First Presbyterian Church, Martinsville Va.

1901 Patrick Henry Ave.

Martinsville, VA

Please call (276) 403-4222 to RSVP

# Celebrate

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## What's Happening This Week

### Thursday, April 14

**Praise Band, 7:00 PM**, Chapel. New singers and musicians always welcome!

### Saturday 16

**Free Community Breakfast, 8:00–9:30 AM**, Fellowship Hall. Volunteers are needed beginning at **7:00 AM**. Help with setup, cooking, or cleanup, or just come and enjoy breakfast and visit with our neighbors. Bill Kirby ([wkirby@dmklawfirm.com](mailto:wkirby@dmklawfirm.com)) is breakfast leader this month.

**Dancing for the Arts, 7:00 PM**, Martinsville High School Auditorium. Come support **Pastor Mark** and his dance partner India Brown as they raise funds for Piedmont Arts Association and compete for the mirror ball trophy.

### Sunday 17

**Contemporary Worship, 8:30 AM**, Chapel

**Fellowship & Refreshments, 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

**Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM**, Sanctuary

Usher group #5: Mark Mason (Captain), Denny Casey, Matthew Mason, Denise Unterbrink, Tom Unterbrink

Liturgist: Joan Montgomery

*Childcare for infants and toddlers is provided all morning in the nursery under the Sanctuary.*

**Youth and Family Trip to River Rock Climbing Center, 2:00 PM**, meet at the church.

Reservations should have already been made.

### Monday 18

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

**Cottage Place Outreach, 5:00-7:00 PM**, Fellowship Hall. The Mission Committee hosts the clients and caregivers of Cottage Place group home for dinner and fun activities every other month. Volunteers are always appreciated; contact Jerri DeVault ([jerri@embarqmail.com](mailto:jerri@embarqmail.com), 276.666.3024).

### Wednesday 20

**Steeple Views Deadline, 10:00 AM.**

Please email information to Gael Chaney, [steepleviews@firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org](mailto:steepleviews@firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org).

**Steeple Views mailing, 4:00 PM**, copier room. Volunteers appreciated.

**Sanctuary Ringers, 5:45 PM**, Handbell Room

**Chancel Choir, 7:00 PM**, Choir Room

## Thursday 21

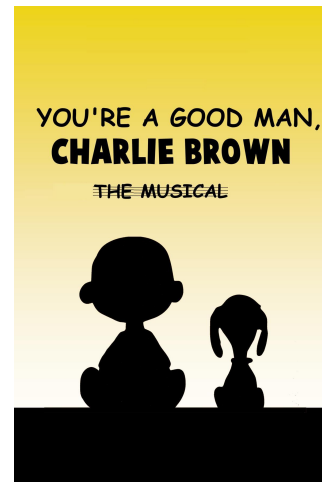
**Agape Ministry meeting, 6:00 PM**

**Praise Band, 7:00 PM**, Chapel. New singers and musicians always welcome!

## Friday 22

**Youth and Family trip to see "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown!"**

featuring **Mattie Wingfield** as Lucy, at Dalton McMichael High School, in Mayodan, NC. Meet at the church at **5:30 PM** to take the church van or caravan. The show begins at **7:00 PM**. (Tickets are usually \$5.)



## Saturday 23

**Grace Network 10th Anniversary Celebration, 4:00 PM**, Sanctuary. Reception following in the Fellowship Hall.

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, April 17**

#### ***Fourth Sunday of Easter***

Scripture Lessons

**Revelation 7:9-17; Psalm 23**

Sermon by Rev. Mark Hinchcliff

**"The Lamb Becomes the Shepherd"**

Additional Lectionary Readings for Sunday

**Acts 9:36-43; John 10:22-30**

### ***Call to Action***

## **Please Fulfill Your Pledge**

*Our church needs your help!* Through March 31, pledge payments received are only 68% of what would be expected at the end of the first quarter. Your help in remaining current on pledged amounts will allow us to meet expenses and prevent dipping into the endowment funds to meet current expenses. If you have any questions regarding your pledge, please contact Francia Brown in the church office (276-632-3431, [fpcbrownbk@gmail.com](mailto:fpcbrownbk@gmail.com)).

### ***A Look Ahead***

## **Church Family Retreat at Massanetta Springs June 2-5**

Fun, fellowship, and service for all ages at beautiful Massanetta Springs Presbyterian

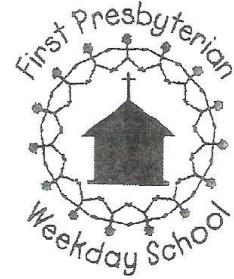
Conference Center near Harrisonburg.

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## **Weekday School News**

### **Spring Fun**

It's been a busy couple of months at the Weekday School. A leprechaun became a real pest in all the classrooms as we celebrated St. Patrick's Day. The 4-year-olds became "100 days smarter" on March 23 when they celebrated the 100th day of school. The 3-year-olds went to sing and have an Easter egg hunt at the Adult Day Care Center, and the 4-year-olds did the same at King's Grant. The Easter egg hunts were a big hit before we left for Spring Break!



It's hard to believe the year is almost over! Discovery Days start on April 18 and run for three weeks. This year three students from Patrick Henry Community College will work with the children during one of those weeks. Put May 12 on your calendar to come see our Art Show. We would love for all of you to come visit these sweet children any time!

Mary Lewis Johnston  
Weekday School Director

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### **Recent Session Actions**

At recent stated meetings (Feb. 29 and April 4), the Session took the following actions and received the Treasurer's report:

- Approval was given to allow the pastor to use discretion for office closure in weather related dates.
- Approval was given allowing the pastor to have leeway in making decisions to approve group-meeting schedules when the building is closed.
- A motion to amend Article 7, page 37-38, of the Manual of Operations (MOO) by deleting the words regularly scheduled from the last sentence so that it will read two meetings of the session was approved.
- Treasurer Milton Davis reported that there is \$20,651.70 in the checking account. \$15,714 was withdrawn from the Endowment Fund to cover March expenses. Approximately \$26,000 from contributions and day school was deposited, and checks in excess of \$41,000 were written. Approximately 68% of expected pledges have come in so far so more money may need to be withdrawn from the Endowment Fund.

Nancy Baker, Clerk of Session

For more details of the Session meetings, visit the News section of our website:

<http://www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/news.cfm>

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

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Presbytery of the Peaks: <http://www.peakspresbytery.org/>

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