

March 19, 2017



Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

Call to Action March 20

Cottage Place Outreach Ministry

Volunteers are needed on **Monday, March 20**, beginning at **5:00 PM** to prepare for the Cottage Place dinner in the Fellowship Hall. Cottage Place on Church Street Ext. is home to several women with various disabilities. Our church's outreach gives them a change of scene and some fun activities in addition to a delicious meal. Contact Paul Cannaday if you can help with this heartwarming ministry: (276)252-8191, pcannaday@comcast.net.



Memorial/Funeral Reception Help Needed

It is time to reorganize the Memorial/Funeral Reception Committee. This committee is responsible for the receptions that are held in the Fellowship Hall following a funeral or memorial service at our church. We are looking for church members willing to be in charge of these receptions. We work in two-person teams on a rotating basis so teams are not responsible for every reception. There will be an organizational meeting on **Monday, March 20, at 3:00 PM** in the Irby class room for those interested. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Nancy Davis at davistwo@comcast.net or 634-1403.

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What's Happening This Week

Thursday, March 16

Praise Band, 5:45 PM, Chapel

Saturday 18

Free Community Breakfast, Volunteers needed beginning at **7:00 AM**, serving **8:00–9:30 AM**, Fellowship Hall & Kitchen



Facilities Work Session, 9:30 AM–12:00 Noon. Come help the Facilities Committee with projects to spruce up our building. Lunch provided.

Sunday 19

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 Adult class, Session Room

Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Usher group #5: *Dennis Casey, Rob King, Denise Unterbrink, Tom Unterbrink
Liturgist: Nancy Moore

"Spring Fling" Concert, 3:00 PM, PHCC Walker Fine Arts Theatre

Childcare for infants and toddlers is provided all morning in the nursery under the Sanctuary. Children's Worship for age 4 through 2nd grade is provided during the Traditional Worship service after the Time with Young Disciples.

The Service for the Lord's Day, March 19, 2017

Third Sunday in Lent

Scripture Lessons

John 4:5-30; Exodus 17:1-7

Sermon by Rev. Mark Hinchcliff

"Spring Forth the Living Waters of Christ"

Additional Lectionary Readings for Sunday

Psalm 95; Romans 5:1-11

Full text of lectionary readings

<http://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=26>

Monday 20

Funeral Reception Reorganization, 3:00 PM, Irby Classroom (room 145)

No G.P.S. (spring break)

Cottage Place Outreach Dinner, 6:00 PM, Fellowship Hall. Volunteers are needed beginning at **5:00**; contact Paul Cannaday if you can help: (276)252-8191, pcannaday@comcast.net.

Tuesday 21

Lenten Lunch & Devotion, 12:00 Noon, Broad Street Christian Church, 106

Broad St.

Steeple Views Deadline, 4:00 PM. Please email information to Gael Chaney
steepleviews@firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org.

Wednesday 22

Sanctuary Ringers, 5:45 PM, handbell room

Chancel Choir, 7:00 PM, Choir Room. New singers always welcome!

Thursday 23

No Red Cross Bloodmobile today

Praise Band, 5:45 PM, Chapel

Saturday 25

Travel to Winter Jam, 3:00 PM. Meet at the church to arrive at the Greensboro Coliseum by 4:30 for this Christian music concert for all ages.

Sunday 26

Two-Cents-a-Meal Offering

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 Adult class, Session Room

Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Usher group #6: *Monty Montgomery, Manly Boyd, David Garland, Bill Manning, Dru Rothrock

Liturgist: Brianna Tatum

Community Pre-Easter Service, 4:00 PM, Greater Love Ministries (906 E. Church St.) All are invited.

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

PHCC Concert

"Spring Fling" March 19, 3:00 PM

It's spring! Come to Patrick Henry Community College, Walker Fine Arts Theatre, and enjoy "Spring Fling," music for the season, on **Sunday March 19, at 3:00 PM,** as

part of the Chamber Music Series program. Musical selections will include "Spring Song" by Mendelssohn, "Now is The Month of Maying," "June is Busting Out All Over," "Singing In The Rain," and many more. We are excited to include some talented brass players from Bassett High School. Members of the congregation Lynn Pritchett and Virginia King will be performing as well as



Deborah Burgess, our Contemporary Music Director. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students, available at the door.



Ecumenical Lenten Lunch and Devotion

12:00 Noon on Tuesdays

Includes lunch of soups and bread.

Tuesday, March 21

Downward: What God Gives To Us—Providential Provisions

Broad Street Christian Church, 106 Broad Street*

Tuesday, March 28

Forward: Where God Leads Us—Discipleship

Christ's Episcopal Church, 311 East Church Street*

Tuesday, April 4

Onward: What God Will Do—Resurrection Hope

Grace Presbyterian Church, 218 Fayette Street*

*Martinsville, VA 24112

Youth & Family Outing



Winter Jam Christian Music Tour Saturday, March 25

Meet at the church at 3:00 PM

Everyone is invited to join us on **Saturday, March 25** for the Winter Jam Christian Music Tour at the Greensboro Coliseum. Music will be performed by Crowder, Britt Nicole, Tenth Avenue North, Newsong, Colton Dixon, and others. Guest speakers include Sadie Robertson (Duck Dynasty) and Tony Nolan. No advance tickets are required, just pay \$10 at the door. If you're interested in going call the office (632-3431) or Pastor Mark (210-273-2813). Jam begins at 6:00 PM but because of large crowds expected we must be in line around **4:30 PM**. A pre-show begins at 5:00 PM.

Looking Ahead

Community Pre-Easter Service, March 26

Everyone is invited to the Martinsville/Henry County Ministerial Association Community Pre-Easter Service, **Sunday, March 26, at 4:00 PM**, at Greater Love Ministries, 906 E. Church St. The service will feature Dr. Joseph Bryant.



PRE-EASTER SERVICE
March 26 4pm
2017

Inviting all of M-HC to Join us in this community worship service.

Location: Greater Love Ministries
906 E Church St. Martinsville, VA

Guest Preacher: Dr. Joseph Bryant



In Memoriam: Edward L. Porter

April 24, 1922—March 10, 2017

Our dear friend Ed Porter entered the Church Triumphant on Friday, March 10, at his home at King's Grant. A memorial service was held Monday, March 13, 2017, at King's Grant Victory Chapel, with Rev. Paul Johnson officiating. Interment will follow at a later date in Woodlawn Cemetery in Elmira, NY. Our deepest sympathy is extended to his daughter-in-law Amy Mason and grandsons Michael and Matthew. The full obituary may be found here: <http://www.norrisfuneral.com/obituaries/Edward-L-Porter?obId=1418975#/obituaryInfo>

Thought for Lent

"Is this not the fast I choose?"

One Great Hour of Sharing helps us answer God's call



The Christian season of Lent is historically marked with fasting, a traditional practice of giving up food and devoting yourself to prayer. But this isn't the only type of fasting

the Bible talks about. Isaiah 58 describes a new kind of fast, not to give up bread but to share it. Isaiah calls us to "loose the bonds of injustice," to "let the oppressed go free," to "share bread with the hungry" and to "invite the

homeless poor into our homes." We are called to offer help to those in need and restoration to those who have been broken down. One way we answer this call is through our gifts to **One Great Hour of Sharing**. Your gift to One Great Hour of Sharing funds the work of the Presbyterian Hunger Program, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and Self-Development of People. To learn more, visit <http://specialofferings.pcusa.org/oghs>.

Prayer Concerns

The following members and friends of our congregation need our prayers: Walter Anderson, Deborah Brooks (Marshall family), Dot Bryson, Kelly Bryson, H.C. "Bud" Buffkin, Kimberly Bryson, Gael Chaney, Evelyn Clark, Ernie Cobb (M. Dunn), Tommy Cobb (M. Dunn), Virginia Coley, Brennen Cox, Sandra B. Cox, Floyd Craig, Marie-Bernice Downey, Jim Ford, Daniel Handy, Clara Hartley, Marvin Hudson (Betty's husband), Ann King, Rita and Leonard Lawson, Ed Pace, Anne Peterson, Dr. Dan Prince, Louise Mauck Rawls, Barbara Regen, Lilian Turman, Martha and Joe Valentine, Sarah V. Wells, and all our troops throughout the world.



Please submit prayer requests to Rita in the church office (276-632-3431, office@firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org).

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For Cooks Who Care

David and Judy Garland

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

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<http://www.fpcmartinsvilleva.org/>

FPC online directory: <https://members.instantchurchdirectory.com/>

FPC Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/FPCMartinsvilleVA>

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

Presbyterian Church (USA): <http://www.pcusa.org/>

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