

Handbell Concert Sunday, April 30

Martinsville Handbell Ensemble invites everyone to a "Spring Ring" concert this **Sunday, April 30, at 4:00 PM**, at Broad Street Christian Church. Several of our Sanctuary Ringers, Janet Fentress, Marion Miller, Sarah Robertson, and Sam Smith, are members of this group, and a couple of others are taking part in the "surround sound" ring for "The Lion Sleeps Tonight." It should be a fun concert!



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What's Happening This Week

Thursday, April 27

Kiwanis Pancake Day, 6:30 AM-7:00 PM, Broad Street Parking Lot, E. Church & Broad Streets, Martinsville. Several church members are involved in this community event and fundraiser.



Red Cross Bloodmobile, 2:00–6:00 PM, 1081 Spruce St. (Druid Hills Shopping Center). Our congregation supplies volunteers who check in donors and serve them at the canteen after they finish donating blood. If you can help, please contact Nancy Baker: (276) 638-7923, nbaker08@comcast.net.

Praise Band, 7:00 PM, Chapel

Sunday 30

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: Jo Dykes

Handbell Concert, 4:00 PM, Broad Street Christian Church. Several of our church members will perform with the Martinsville Handbell Ensemble.

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, April 30, 2017

Third Sunday of Easter

Scripture Lessons

Romans 7:20-8:2, 14-16, 31-39; Genesis 32:22-32

Sermon by Rev. Burton Newman

Fear Led or Fear Driven?

Lectionary Readings for Sunday

Acts 2:14a, 36-41 • Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

1 Peter 1:17-23 • Luke 24:13-35

Full text of lectionary readings

http://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=41

Monday, May 1

Circle 1, 11:00 AM, bring a salad to share for lunch after the lesson, Fellowship Hall

G.P.S. 3:00-5:00 PM, Music & Bible for children K-8

Tuesday 2

Steeple Views Deadline, 9:00 AM. Note earlier time again this week. Please email information to Gael Chaney, steepleviews@fpcmartinsvilleva.org.

Cooks Who Care, 9:45 AM & 5:30 PM, Marge Dunn Kitchen. Volunteers are needed to prepare and package meals for those in need; opens with devotional at 9:45 AM. Circle 2 will meet on May 9 at Gael Chaney's Smith



Wednesday 3

Mountain Lake home.

Sanctuary Ringers, 5:45 PM, handbell room
Chancel Choir, 7:00 PM, Choir Room. New singers always welcome!

Thursday 4

Presbytery of the Peaks Quarterly Meeting, 9:00 AM-1:30 PM,

Northminster P.C., 3911 Greenland Ave. NW, Roanoke

Youth & Family Meeting, 6:30 PM, Session Room, for middle & high school youth and parents

Praise Band, 7:00 PM, Chapel

Sunday 7

Communion Sunday, both services

Contemporary Worship, 8:30 AM, Chapel

Fellowship & Refreshments, 9:30 AM, Fellowship Hall

Sanctuary Ringers, 9:45 AM, Sanctuary

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: Cindy Edgerton

Communion Servers: Neil Tatum, Duke Ferrell, Liz Ferrell, Victoria Esarey,

Denny Casey, Paul Cannaday, Bill Manning

Communion Prep/Cleanup Team: Edgerton/Ferguson

Da Capo Concert, 2:30 PM, Sanctuary. This will include local students in Animato and Cantare choral groups plus Vivo ensemble for students with special needs from Richmond.

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

Youth News

Youth Family Meeting May 4

There will be a meeting for all Middle School and High School youth and their parents on **Thursday, May 4, at 6:30 PM,** in the Session room. Plans will be made for the May 14 Youth Sunday, as well as for family-friendly events for the summer. Contact Pastor Mark for more information: 210-273-2813.

A Look Ahead

Youth Sunday is May 14

Besides Mother's Day, May 14 will be a special Sunday because the teens and children will lead us in worship that day. G.P.S. will be singing (and maybe even ringing). There will be only one service at **11:00** AM.



Call to Action

Grace Network Food Pantry Needs

Grace Network's food pantry has plenty of sugar, so please don't buy more until they tell us otherwise (plus, other churches have that on their list, too). Ongoing needs are "assorted meats" such as:



- 5 oz. (not larger) cans of tuna, chicken, ham
- 12-15 oz. cans of pasta with meatballs (e.g. Spaghetti-O's), chili, other canned entrees that contains meat

Thanks to Janet Fentress for the information and photos.



Time to Register

Massanetta Springs Retreat June 1-4



You are invited to gather with your church family at Massanetta Springs this summer for our "Set the Example, Don't Be the Example" Family Service Retreat. Come step away from the demands of everyday life as we open ourselves to growing together as brothers and sisters in Christ by the grace of God. We will share service,

reflection, worship, fellowship, and fun. Join us as we exercise our bodies, minds, and spirits to be strengthened, renewed, and transformed.

Brochures are available at the church in various locations. Fill out the form and return it to the church office by **May 15**. If you can't come for the entire weekend, you are welcome to come for whatever part you can. For an online brochure, <u>CLICK HERE</u> or visit our website:

http://www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/page.cfm/topic/AllRetreat

College Scholarship

Kuhn Scholarship deadline is May 15

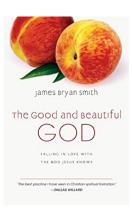
Vera Jane Kuhn is offering a college scholarship to a church member, either a graduating high school senior or current college student. The application form may be found on our website:

http://www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/page.cfm/topic/Scholarship. Please fill it out and return it to the church office no later than **May 15**.

Adult Sunday School

The Good and Beautiful God

This **Sunday, April 30**, the Adult Sunday School class will begin studying his book, *The Good and Beautiful God* by James Bryan Smith. In this book, you are invited to turn to the Gospels and put your ideas about God to the test to see if they match up with what Jesus himself reveals about God. This deep, loving and transformative book will help you discover the narratives that Jesus lived by—to know the God he knew and the kingdom he proclaimed—and to practice spiritual exercises that will help you grow in the knowledge of our good and beautiful God.





Melissa Seamon, DVM

Congratulations to Melissa Seamon who will graduate from North Carolina State University College of Veterinary Medicine on May 12. As a student, Melissa was elected to the Phi Zeta Honor Society and received the NCSU Award for Excellence in Radiology Clinical Proficiency. A graduate of Martinsville High School and James Madison University, she will join a veterinary practice in Charlottesville in June.

Attention Parents & Grandparents

Graduation Info Needed

We would really like to publish news of our high school and college graduates in *Steeple Views* and the church bulletin. Please email information to Rita (office@fpcmartinsvilleva.org) and Gael (steepleviews@fpcmartinsvilleva.org) or leave it in the church office as soon as possible.

Summer Fun

VBS and Camp Peaks

Summer is just around the corner, and it's time sign up your children and grandchildren for Vacation Bible School and Camp Peaks, our presbytery's traveling day camp.

VBS will be **June 26-30, 9:00 AM-12:00 Noon**, at Forest Hills PC this year, but we still need lots of FPC volunteers. Brochures will be in the church pews beginning this Sunday.





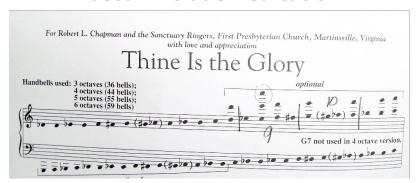
Camp Peaks will be held in our area **July 24–28**.

Campers will meet at the church and go out to the Martins' farm for activities, plus there will be swimming one day at Forest Park C.C. and a field trip

to Martinsville Speedway.

Thank you

Easter Prelude Dedication



The prelude "Thine Is the Glory" played by the Sanctuary Ringers on Easter Sunday, April 16, was composed and published in 2006 by our music director Cynthia Dobrinski for our handbell choir. The dedication reads: "For Robert L. Chapman and the Sanctuary Ringers, First Presbyterian Church, Martinsville, Virginia, with love and appreciation." Thank you, Cynthia!

Prayer Concerns

The following members and friends of our congregation need our prayers: Walter Anderson, Sue Benfield, Deborah Brooks (Marshall family), H.C. "Bud" Buffkin, Dot Bryson, Kelly Bryson, Kimberly Bryson, Evelyn Clark, Ernie Cobb (M. Dunn), Tommy Cobb (M. Dunn), Virginia Coley, Brennen Cox, Sandra B. Cox, Floyd Craig, Jim Ford, Daniel Handy, Clara Hartley, Marvin Hudson (Betty's husband), Margaret Knight, Christy Kropp, Rita and Leonard Lawson, Waymon Lockett, Palmer Lowery (B. Lawson), Dewey Milton, Jr. (Laura Stevens' future father in-law), Ed Pace, Anne Peterson, Dr.

Dan Prince, Louise Mauck Rawls, Barbara Regen, Darla Ritter, Doris Rogers (D. Bryson), Geneva Turner (Susan Smith's mother), Sarah V. Wells, and all our troops throughout the world.

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

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

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http://www.fpcmartinsvilleva.org/

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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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