

September 3, 2017



# Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

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## Call to Action

### Cooks Who Care

**Tuesday, September 5**

**9:45 AM & 5:30 PM**

Cooks Who Care needs volunteers on the first Tuesday of each month. The morning session begins with devotions, followed by cooking dishes to make complete meals. During the afternoon session, the meals are packaged individually and either delivered that day or frozen for future needs. Come join us! Contact Judy Ware ([je\\_ware@yahoo.com](mailto:je_ware@yahoo.com), 336-601-2316) for more information.

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## What's Happening This Week

### Thursday, August 31

**Praise Band, 5:30 PM**, Chapel. *Note change of time for this week only.*  
Rehearsal will cover two Sundays.

### Sunday, September 3

**Communion Sunday**, both services

**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 class, Session Room

**Chancel Choir, 10:30 AM**, Choir Room, warm-up before service

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

*Ushers:* \*Dennis Casey, Rob King, Denise Unterbrink, Tom Unterbrink

*Liturgist:* Gael Chaney

*Communion Servers: \*Teri Ferguson, +Nancy Baker, Dru Rothrock, David Garland, Manly Boyd, Judy Ware, Bill Kirby, Smith Chaney*  
*Communion Prep/Clean-up team: Edgerton/Ferguson*

*Childcare for infants and toddlers is provided all morning in the nursery under the Sanctuary. Children's Worship is offered for age 4 through 2nd grade during the 11:00 service after the Time with Young Disciples.*

**The Service for the Lord's Day, September 3**  
**Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Ordinary Time)**

Scripture Lessons

**Exodus 3:1-15; Romans 12:9-21**

Sermon by Rev. Mark Hinchcliff

**"Recognizing the Voice of God"**

Additional Lectionary Readings for Sunday

**Psalms 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b**

**Jeremiah 15:15-21 and Psalm 26:1-8**

**Matthew 16:21-28**

Full text of lectionary readings

<http://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=157>

**Monday, September 4, Labor Day**

Church office closed.

**Tuesday 5**

**Cooks Who Care, 9:45 AM & 5:30 PM**, Marge Dunn Kitchen. Volunteers are needed to prepare and package food for those in need of a hot meal.

**Extended Table, 2:00 PM**, King's Grant

**Steeple Views Deadline, 4:00 PM**. Please email information to Gael Chaney,  
[steepleviews@fpcmartinsvilleva.org](mailto:steepleviews@fpcmartinsvilleva.org).

**Circle 2, 7:00 PM**, home of Janet Fentress, 906 Corn Tassel Trail. All women are welcome! Call Janet, 638-3840 or 618-0153, if you're planning to attend.

**COOKS WHO CARE**



**Wednesday 6**

**Sanctuary Ringers, 5:45 PM**, Handbell Room. Talk to Cynthia Dobrinski, 734-0212, about ringing with us.

**Chancel Choir, 7:00 PM**, Choir Room. New singers are welcome to join!

**Thursday 7**

**NO Praise Band this week.**

## Sunday 10 Rally Day

**Blessing of Teacher, Students & Backpacks.** Children should bring their school book packs for the blessing.

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

**Rally Day Breakfast, 9:30 AM,** Fellowship Hall

**Rally Day Activities 10:00 AM**

**Chancel Choir, 10:30 AM,** Choir Room, warm-up before service

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

*Ushers:* \*Monty Montgomery, Manly Boyd, David Garland, Bill Manning, Dru Rothrock

*Liturgist:* Grayson Russell

**Lemonade on the Lawn, 12:05 PM,** immediately after the service.



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

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## Presbyterian Women

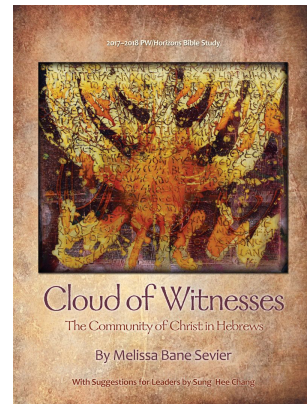
**Circle 2 Meets Sept. 5, 7:00 PM**

**Circle 1 Meets Sept. 11, 10:30 AM**

**All women are invited!**

This year, Presbyterian Women circles will be studying the book of Hebrews using the book **Cloud of Witnesses**. Each chapter covers the theme "In Community" with a different aspect of our life as Christians according to Hebrews. This promises to be an inspiring and helpful study.

Circles are small groups which meet once a month for fellowship, Bible study, prayer, service, and mutual support, September through May. **Circle 1** will meet at **10:30 AM** (*note later time this year*) on the **first Monday** (except for holidays when it's the second Monday). **Circle 2** will meet at **7:00 PM** beginning on the **first Tuesday of September**. It will be decided at this meeting whether to continue each month on Tuesday or move back to Monday evenings.



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## Call to Action

### Extended Table Coordinator Needed

For many years, our church has had a ministry of taking communion to homebound members and to King's Grant. We now need a new coordinator. If you are a current or past elder and can help, either by serving communion or coordinating the volunteers, please contact Cindy Edgerton, (276) 732-2784, [steveandcindy@earthlink.net](mailto:steveandcindy@earthlink.net).



## *"In the Beginning"*

### **Grow! Praise! Sing!** **Mapping a Life that Follows Christ** **Begins Monday, Sept. 11** **3:00–5:00 PM**



GPS—"Grow! Praise! Sing! Mapping a Life that Follows Christ"—is our church's Christian education and music program for children. It is hard to believe this is our sixth year! As we resume our journey through the Bible on **Monday, September 11**, we will be starting at the beginning with Genesis. This after-school program, from **3:00 to 5:00 PM**, features music, Bible study, snacks, and crafts. During the music portions, we will be learning how to read music, play bells or chimes, and sing.

All children in **Kindergarten through 8th grade** are welcome to join us as we grow in our faith and praise God through music. Children will be divided into two groups by age. Bring friends! This is open to all children in these age groups. Students at Patrick Henry Elementary School will be met by volunteers and walked across the street. **Parents, you will need to give the school permission for this.** Children who attend other schools will need their own transportation to the church. Registration forms are available in the church office. For more information please call JoAnne Sanders, (276) 340-6913, or Cindy Edgerton (276) 732-2784.

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## **Call to Action**

### **Hurricane Harvey Relief** **Presbyterian Disaster Assistance**

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is receiving donations to help the folks in Texas who are experiencing catastrophic flooding from the record-breaking rains associated with Harvey. PDA has maintained constant communication with Mission Presbytery, which includes the cities of Austin, San Antonio, Corpus Christi and more, and with the Presbytery of the New Covenant, which includes Houston, Galveston and Bay City among others.



"Members of PDA's National Response Team are in Mission Presbytery now to begin assessment in the area where windstorm damage was the worst. We have another team waiting to go into Houston whenever the storms are over and it becomes safe to travel there," said Rev. Dr. Laurie Kraus, PDA director. "We are also in communication with the Presbytery of South Louisiana as the bands of rain deepen over Lake Charles and New Orleans."

This disaster fund is designated "DR000169-Harvey" (for memo line of checks). Our Presbytery of the Peaks is forwarding donations to PDA, or you can mail them directly to: Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700. Or you can donate online here: <https://pma.pcusa.org/donate/make-a-gift/gift-info/DR000169/> Please continue to pray for all the people affected by the flooding.

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### **Radio program**



### **"Sing For Joy"**

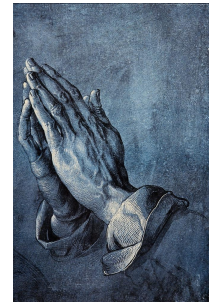
For many years, Smith and I have enjoyed the radio broadcast "Sing For Joy," produced by St. Olaf College, a Lutheran college in Minnesota. The program uses sacred choral music to explore the weekly themes of Christian worship based on the scripture lessons specified in the Revised Common Lectionary. Brief commentary by host Pastor Bruce Benson illuminates the text. Since our Pastor Mark uses the lectionary for our worship, the program adds another dimension to our weekly worship. "Sing For Joy" is broadcast every Sunday morning at 7:00 on WVTF-Music, 89.7 FM, or you can listen online at <https://www.stolaf.edu/singforjoy/>

—Gael Chaney, S. V. editor

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### **Prayer Concerns**

The following members and friends of our congregation need our prayers: Doc Altizer, Walter Anderson, Jack Beane (M. Stevens), Catherine Bridges, Jim Brunt (N. Davis' brother), Chad Bryson, Dot Bryson, Kimberly Bryson, Elaine Button, Charles Byrd (B. Lawson), Evelyn Clark, Ernie Cobb (M. Dunn), Tommy Cobb (M. Dunn), Virginia Coley (Dot Bryson's sister), Sandra B. Cox, Floyd Craig, Linda Drage, Jim Ford, Carolyn and Tandy Jackson (Rebman), Palmer Lowery (B. Lawson), Regenia Noel (M. Stevens), Ed Pace, Anne Peterson, Charles "Pete" Peterson (Anne's brother in-law), Louise Mauck Rawls, Posey Riedel (A. Pinkard's sister), Barbara Regen, Darla Ritter, Betty and Gene Stanley, Caroline Stone (C. Rebman's mother), Sarah V. Wells, Roger Williams (V. Esarey), Wil Woodward (Rebman), persecuted Christians and all troops in defense of freedom throughout the world.



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

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## Peanut Butter & Household Items Needed

Please remember to buy **peanut butter** for Grace Network and various **household and personal care** products for both the SSRC shelter (former Rainbow House) and Grace Network when you do your regular shopping. Boxes for both are in the church hallways.

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### Our Mission

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

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Presbytery of the Peaks: [www.peakspresbytery.org/](http://www.peakspresbytery.org/)

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Clerk: Nancy Baker

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Denny Casey: Facilities

Cindy Edgerton: Worship

Victoria Esarey: Congregational Care

#### Class of 2018

Jerri DeVault: Stewardship

Nancy Moore: Communications

Monica Stevens: Christian Education

#### Class of 2019

Bill Manning: Administration

Teri Ferguson: Fellowship

Paul Cannaday: Mission/Outreach

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2017: Bob Davis, Joe DeVault

2018: Monty Montgomery, Henry Moore

2019: Reed Moore, Ralph Shank

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