

September 17, 2017



Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

Call to Action

Free Community Breakfast Facilities Work Session

Saturday, September 16

7:00 AM: Volunteers are needed to prepare and set up our community breakfast.

8:00–9:30 AM: Breakfast is served. Come help serve, enjoy having breakfast with our guests, or help clean up.



9:30 AM–12:00 Noon: Help the Facilities Committee with projects to keep our building and grounds in good shape. Lunch will be provided for volunteers. Contact Denny Casey, 632-8306, d.a.casey@comcast.net, if you can help.



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What's Happening This Week

Thursday, September 14

Praise Band, 7:00 PM, Chapel

Friday 15

"Christians in the Middle East" Dinner and Opening, 6:30 PM, Dr. Donald Hudson, professor at King University, Forest Hills PC, 725 Beechnut Lane. Call 632-5411 before 1:00 PM to make a reservation, cost \$15.

Saturday 16

Free Community Breakfast, 7:00 AM, volunteers begin preparing;

8:00–9:30 AM, serving, Fellowship Hall & Kitchen

Facilities Work Session, 9:30 AM–12:00 Noon, projects around the church.

"Christians in the Middle East" Symposium, 9:30 AM–12 Noon

(registration and fellowship 8:45–9:15 AM), Forest Hills PC. Pre-registration requested; no cost.

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 class, Session Room

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

Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Ushers: *Neil Tatum, Clarence Benfield, Paul Cannaday, Victoria Esarey, Bill Kirby

Liturgist: Briana Tatum

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 17, 2017

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Ordinary Time)

Scripture Lessons

Romans 14:1-12; Exodus 14:19-31

Sermon by Rev. Mark Hinchcliff

"Hearing God's Message For You!"

Additional Lectionary Readings for Sunday

Psalm 114 or Exodus 15:1b-11, 20-21

Genesis 50:15-21 and Psalm 103:(1-7), 8-13

Matthew 18:21-35

Full text of lectionary readings

<http://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=159>

Monday 18

GPS, 3:00–5:00 PM, music and Christian education for children K-8th grade

Tuesday 19

Agape Ministry, 12:00 Noon, Session Room

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

Wednesday 20

Sanctuary Ringers, 5:45 PM, Handbell Room

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

Thursday 21

Praise Band, 7:00 PM, Chapel

Sunday 24

Two-Cents-a-Meal Offering, for hunger projects in our Presbytery and beyond

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

Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Ushers: *Ralph Shank, Jr., Bob Clark, Bob Davis, Harold Lamm, Henry Moore
Liturgist: Kellene Wotring

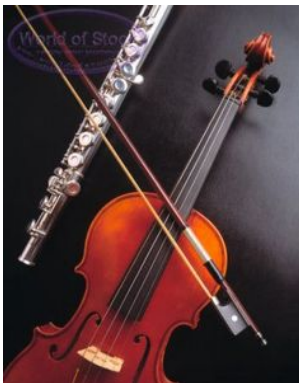
Chamber Music Concert, 3:00 PM, PHCC Walker Auditorium. Deborah Burgess, Lynn Pritchett, and Virginia King are performing along with others.

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

Chamber Music at PHCC

"Mostly Mozart"

Sunday, September 24, 3:00 PM



PHCC Chamber Series presents "Mostly Mozart," September 24, 3:00 PM, in Walker Auditorium on the PHCC Martinsville campus. The program includes "Eine Kleine Nachtmusik," selections from horn and violin concerti, flute and string duets, "Fantasia" in d minor, "G Piano Sonata," "Twinkle Variations," an aria from Don Giovanni and the "Alleluia" from Exsultate Jubilate. Performers include fellow church members Lynn Pritchett and Virginia King, along with Deborah Burgess, our Contemporary Music Director, who organizes these concerts. Come and enjoy an afternoon of Mozart. Adult admission is \$10; students, \$5.

At NCI

World Communion Sunday

October 1, 11:00 AM

To celebrate our connection with Christians around the world, several area churches are joining together for a special communion service on World Communion Sunday, October 1, at 11:00 AM, at NCI's Building on Baldwin (parking lot entrance on Moss Street). A very special speaker is planned (more info to come). **There will be NO services at our church on Oct. 1.**



Call to Action

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

With back-to-back hurricane strikes on the U.S. and in the Caribbean, Presbyterians stand ready to help through our denomination's mission agency, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Checks may be mailed to PDA at Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

P.O. Box 643700

Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700

There are account numbers for individual disasters, but unrestricted funds will go wherever the need is greatest. For online giving, go to

<https://www.presbyterianmission.org/donate/>

Please remember to pray for the victims of Hurricanes Harvey and Irma, as well as the earthquake in Mexico and other disasters around the world.

Call to Action

GPS Needs Snack Volunteers

The GPS music/Christian education program needs volunteers to prepare snacks Monday afternoons. With enough volunteers, it's only once a month. It's an easy job, no planning, takes an hour, and it's a good way to meet the young children! If you can help, contact Cindy Edgerton, (276) 732-2784, steveandcindy@earthlink.net.

Da Capo Virginia

Bluegrass & Blues

WHEN: Tuesdays, Sept. 19-Dec. 15

WHO: Kindergarten through 12th Grade

WHERE: First Presbyterian (our church)

TUITION: \$185 (\$15 registration fee for new students), 50% tuition scholarships available

CONTACT: Tracee Prillaman, 804-432-3447

traceep@dacapova.org

MORE INFO: <http://dacapova.org/> or <https://www.facebook.com/DaCapoVa/>



Please look

Missing Handbells

Broad Street Christian Church is asking for help locating some small Schulmerich handbells that went missing after the Martinsville Handbell Ensemble concert last April 30. Additional ringers were invited to join MHE to create a "surround sound" and encouraged to bring their own bells. Following the concert, the BSCC bells were put away and unused until mid-August. It was at this time a small leatherette, red velvet lined case, about the size of a notebook, containing 5 small bells could not be found even after several

extensive searches of the church. If you have any idea where the bells might be, please contact Robert Chapman, rchapman@bsccdoc.comcastbiz.net, 340-4370.

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 (D. Bryson's sister), Sandra B. Cox, Floyd Craig, Jim Ford, Palmer Lowery (B. Lawson), Maesie Keith (infant daughter of Mary Mac Knighton Keith), 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, Sarah V. Wells, Roger Williams (V. Esarey), persecuted Christians and all troops in defense of freedom throughout the world.



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

Lecture Series

"Christians in the Middle East"

September 15, 16 & 17

Forest Hills Presbyterian Church invites anyone interested to hear a special speaker this weekend, Dr. Donald Hudson, Chair of the Religion and Philosophy Department at King College in Bristol, TN. He travels frequently to Israel for archaeological digs and has spent a great deal of time with the Christian communities in that part of the world. If you would like to attend, please call Forest Hills at 632-5411 between 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM this Thursday or Friday to register. Schedule:

Friday, 6:30 PM, Evening meal in the Fellowship Hall. Dr. Hudson will make an initial presentation on the nature of his work in the Middle East. Call for reservations please. The catered meal is \$15.

Saturday, 8:45–9:15 AM, Registration and Fellowship

9:30 AM–12:00 Noon, Symposium. Dr. Hudson will lead a study on the struggles of Christians in the Middle East, particularly with the rise of radical Islam and the Islamic State. No cost, but pre-registration is requested.

Sunday, 11:00 AM Worship. Dr. Hudson will give the message.

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.

Our Mission

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

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www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/page.cfm/topic/newsletter

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FPC website: www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/ or www.fpcmartinsvilleva.org/

FPC online directory: members.instantchurchdirectory.com/

FPC Facebook page: www.facebook.com/FPCMartinsvilleVA

Presbytery of the Peaks: www.peakspresbytery.org/

Presbyterian Church (USA): www.pcusa.org/

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