

October 1, 2017



Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

World Communion Sunday

Community Communion Service

October 1, 11:00 AM

NCI's Building on Baldwin, 191 Fayette St., Martinsville

Come join us as we gather with several other churches in our community for a unifying service at the Lord's Table to celebrate World Communion Sunday. An ecumenical communion service will be held in the banquet hall at NCI's Building on Baldwin (parking entrance on Moss Street). Rev. Sharon Risher, a friend of Pastor Mark's at Austin Seminary will deliver the spiritual message. Rev. Risher was personally affected by the Charleston, SC, shooting at the Mother Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church on June 17, 2015. Her mother—the church's sexton—Ethel Lee Lance, was killed along with eight others, including two cousins and a childhood friend. Rev. Risher has a powerful witness of relying on her faith to get her through that horrific tragedy and how gathering at the Lord's Table can be the unifying element in the turbulent times of today. Please plan to attend this special service to act truly as the body of Christ in the future of our world.



There will be NO services or other activities at the FPC building on October 1 so that all may participate in this community event.

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What's Happening This Week

Thursday, September 28

Red Cross Bloodmobile, 1:00–5:00 PM, Elks Lodge, 300 Fairy Street. 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, October 1

NO services or other activities at FPC building

World Communion Sunday Service, 11:00 AM, NCI's Building on Baldwin, 191 Fayette St. (parking entrance on Moss St.), with other local churches

The Service for the Lord's Day, October 1, 2017

World Communion Sunday

17th Sunday after Pentecost (Ordinary Time)

Service at 11:00 AM, 191 Fayette Street, Martinsville

Scripture Lessons

Luke 22:7-30; Psalm 121

Message by Rev. Sharon Risher

"Call To Remember"

Lectionary Readings for Sunday

Exodus 17:1-7 and Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16

Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32 and Psalm 25:1-9

Philippians 2:1-13; Matthew 21:23-32

Full text of lectionary readings

<http://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=161>

Monday 2

Presbyterian Women, 10:30 AM, Fellowship Hall. Circle 2 has joined with Circle 1 to form one circle. All women are invited.

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

Tuesday 3

Cooks Who Care, 9:45 AM & 5:30 PM, Marge Dunn Kitchen. Volunteers are needed to prepare and package meals for those in need. Contact Judy Ware, 336-601-2316, je_ware@yahoo.com if you can help.

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

Wednesday 4

Sanctuary Ringers, 5:45 PM, Handbell Room

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

Thursday 5

Praise Band, 7:00 PM, Chapel

Saturday 7

Pumpkins Arrive at Grace Network Pumpkin Patch, **8:00 AM**, Mulberry Road beside First Baptist Church parking lot.



Volunteers are needed to help unload pumpkins from the truck. Contact Nancy Craig at 638-8300 for more information.

Sunday 8

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: *Monty Montgomery, Jeri DeVault, Joe DeVault, Lang Mauck, Bill Stone

Liturgist: JoAnne Sanders

Congregational Meeting, 12:05 PM, to elect church officers

Annual Church Picnic

4:00 PM Games on the lawn

5:00 PM Covered Dish Supper, Fellowship Hall

6:00 PM Talent Show, Fellowship Hall

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.

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

Fun, Food, Talents

Come one, come all to our Annual Fall Festival Picnic!

Sunday, October 8

4:00 PM, Games on the Lawn (or indoors if it's raining)

5:00 PM, Covered Dish Supper, Fellowship Hall. Bring your favorites to share!

6:00 PM, Talent Show, Fellowship Hall. If you would like to perform, please fill out a form that Rita has in the church office. Acts are limited to no more than 5 minutes each.

At the 2015 talent show, Norah Cundiff sang while her dad Chuck played the guitar and the late John Brown played the drums.



Church Officer Election

Congregational Meeting Sunday, October 8, 12:05 PM

Immediately following the 11:00 AM service, we will vote for elders and trustees for the Class of 2020, plus an elder to fill an unexpired term. Nominees for elder are Denny Casey (2nd term), Ron Rebman, and Kym Tatum. Sharon Kirby will be presented to fill the vacated term of Jeri DeVault. Nominees for trustee are Milt Davis and Duke Ferrell. Nominations from the floor must have prior consent of the person nominated.



Presbyterian Women Now One Circle Monday, October 2, 10:30 AM

The evening circle (#2) has decided to join the morning circle (#1), so there will now be one circle meeting for all the Presbyterian Women in the **Fellowship Hall**. We have delicious refreshments and good fellowship, followed by Bible study and brief business. This year's study covers the book of Hebrews using the study book written expressly for Presbyterian Women. The evening circle could be revived if enough women were interested—contact PW Moderator Betty Hudson, 638-0467 or bchmhhudson@gmail.com.

Call to Action

Cooks Who Care Tuesday, October 3 9:45 AM & 5:30 PM

Cooks Who Care will meet in the Marge Dunn Kitchen on Tuesday, October 3, for our Devotion at 9:45, Cooking Session at 10:00, and Wrap and Pack at 5:30. Cindy Edgerton and her mom, Virginia King, will be our Chefs for October. A delicious Fall menu is planned. Judy Ware asks volunteers to let her know which session you will attend or if you can deliver meals. Contact her at [336-601-2316](tel:336-601-2316) or je_ware@yahoo.com. We can always use new volunteers!



Community Outreach

Grace Network & SSRC Shelter

Please remember to buy **peanut butter** for Grace Network for the rest of September. For October–December we have been assigned "**breakfast muffin mix**"; additionally, **deodorant, toothpaste, bath soap, toilet paper, feminine products, dish detergent, and laundry detergent** are always needed. These personal care/household items are also needed at the SSRC

shelter (former Rainbow House/CAFV). Boxes for donations to both ministries are in the church hallways.

New Member

Welcome Sarah Krauss!



On Sunday, September 17, our congregation welcomed Sarah Krauss (right, with elder sponsor Teri Ferguson). Sarah joined by profession of faith and baptism and writes about herself:

"I grew up in Martinsville and in this church. I moved back almost 2 years ago, and I'm currently finishing up my degree in elementary education through

Liberty's online program. I work for the YMCA as a site director for the Axton after school program. I have 2 dogs, Stella and Luke, who I love dearly and love going hiking in the mountains with them."

We are delighted to have Sarah as part of our church family again!



The Pony Express is coming soon!

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, Charles Gray (Kym Tatum's father), 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 (276-632-3431, office@fpcmartinsvilleva.org).

Our Mission

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

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