

January 28, 2018



# Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

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## Reaching Out

### Prayer Shawl Ministry Needs Knitters

The prayer shawls made by our Prayer Shawl Ministry members have been so popular that we are running out of shawls! **We need more people to be making shawls, either knit or crochet.** They are very simple to make, but they go far to brighten the spirits of those who are in distress. We may also give celebratory prayer shawls for very special occasions. Please join us on **Wednesday, January 31, at 4:00 PM**, for our regular monthly meeting in the Session Room. We will be glad to teach you how to make one.



Anyone may take a shawl to any person who needs one, whether or not they're a church member. For more information or to schedule a lesson if you can't make it to the meeting, contact Joan Montgomery (632-1157, [joanmontgo@gmail.com](mailto:joanmontgo@gmail.com)). **Prayer shawl members are asked to finish up current shawls as soon as possible so we can have a dedication.**

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## What's Happening at FPC

### Thursday, January 25

**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 (638-7923, [nbaker08@comcast.net](mailto:nbaker08@comcast.net)).

**Praise Band, 7:00 PM**, Chapel

### Sunday, Jan. 28

**2-Cents-a-Meal Hunger Offering**

*Unlock:* Neil Tatum

**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 (Room 134, upper level)



**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:* Nancy Moore

*Lock up:* Rob King

*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, January 28, 2018**

**Fourth Sunday after Epiphany (Ordinary Time)**

Scripture Lessons

**Mark 1:21-28; Psalm 111**

Sermon by Rev. Mark Hinchcliff

**"A New Teaching with God's Authority"**

Additional Lectionary Readings for Sunday

**Deuteronomy 18:15-20; 1 Corinthians 8:1-13**

Full text of lectionary readings

<https://www.presbyterianmission.org/devotion/revised-common-lectionary/>

**Next Week at FPC**

**Monday, Jan. 29**

**GPS, 3:00 PM**, Music and Christian Education for grades K-8

**Session Meeting, 7:00 PM**, Session Room

**Tuesday, Jan. 30**

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

**Wednesday, Jan. 31**

**Prayer Shawl Ministry, 4:00 PM**, Session Room

**Sanctuary Ringers, 5:45 PM**, Handbell Room (with substitute director)

**NO Chancel Choir.** Cynthia will be out of town.

**Thursday, February 1**

**Praise Band, 7:00 PM**, Chapel

**Friday, Feb. 2, Presentation of the Lord**

Malachi 3:1-4; Psalm 84 or Psalm 24:7-10; Hebrews 2:14-18; Luke 2:22-40

**Sunday, Feb. 4**

*Unlock:* Johnny Pinkard

**Communion Sunday, both services**

*Communion Prep/Clean-up:* Chaney

**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 (Room 134, upper level)  
**Chancel Choir, 10:30 AM**, Choir Room, warm-up before service  
**Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM**, Sanctuary

*Ushers:*

*Liturgist:* Lynn Pritchett

*Lock up:* Monty Montgomery

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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## **Looking Ahead**

### **Coming in February & March**

#### **Monday, February 5**

**Presbyterian Women's Circle meeting, 10:30 AM**, Fellowship Hall. The lesson will cover chapter 6 in the workbook, "In Community with the Reality of the Present."

#### **Tuesday, February 6**

**Cooks Who Care, 9:45 AM and 5:30 PM**, Marge Dunn Kitchen, Chefs: Bonny Pace and Judy Ware

#### **Monday, February 12**

**Congregational Supper, 6:00 PM**, Fellowship Hall, hosted by the Worship Committee. Menu: Soup, Salad, Bread, Desserts  
**Committee meetings, 7:00 PM**, various rooms

#### **Wednesday, February 14**

**Ash Wednesday Service, 12:00 Noon**, with imposition of ashes, Christ Episcopal Church. Pastor Mark will deliver the message, and a light lunch of soup and bread will be served. There will also be a service at the same time at First United Methodist Church without lunch.



#### **Saturday, February 17**

**Free Community Breakfast, 7:00 AM**, Kitchen & Fellowship Hall, serving our neighbors from 8:00 to 9:30 AM  
**Presbytery of the Peaks quarterly meeting, 9:00 AM-4:00 PM**, Second Roanoke, 214 Mountain Avenue, SW

### **Community Lenten Lunch Services on Tuesdays at Noon**

**Including Lunch of Soup and Bread**

**February 20**, at Starling Avenue Baptist Church, devotional by Rev. Mark Parkinson (Broad St. Christian)

**February 27**, at First Presbyterian Church, devotional by Rev. Ashley Harrington or Rev. Brian Harrington (Starling Ave. BC)

**March 6**, at Calvary Christian Church, devotional by Rev. Keith Ritchie (FUMC)



**March 13**, at Broad Street Christian Church, devotional by Rev. Mike Carrow (Calvary CC)

**March 20**, at First United Methodist Church, devotional by Fr. Nick Hull (Christ Episcopal)

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Ordination of new elders Sharon Kirby and Kym Tatum and installation of previously ordained elders Dennis Casey and Ron Rebman.

Sunday, January 21, 2018

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## *Happy February Birthdays!*

- 1 Logan Jennings
  - 2 David Seamon, Isla King
  - 3 Harold Lamm, Charles Knighton
  - 5 Michael Mason
  - 7 Mason Wood
  - 8 Frances Leavitt, Guy Stanley
  - 11 Jo Dykes
  - 13 Connie Anderson
  - 17 Jake Sanders
  - 19 Zack Sanders, Sandra Ford
  - 20 Mary Layton Truitt
  - 21 Sharon Kirby
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## *Our Deepest Sympathy*

**Our deepest sympathy** is extended to Marge Dunn on the death of her brother-in-law Ernie Cobb on January 13 in Lynchburg.

**Our deepest sympathy** is extended to Jerri and Joe DeVault on the death of Jerri's mother, Ruby Snow, on January 24.

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### Prayer Concerns

The following members and friends of our congregation need our prayers: Family of Ruby Snow (Jerri DeVault's mother), Family of Ernie Cobb (M. Dunn), Doc Altizer, Walter Anderson, Sonny and Sue Benfield, Catherine Bridges, Jim Brunt (N. Davis' brother), Dot Bryson, Kimberly Bryson, Bud Buffkin, Elaine Button, Evelyn Clark, Tommy Cobb (M. Dunn), Janet Cox, Sandra B. Cox, Lynn and Gene Daugherty (C. Kropp), Gary Francisco (Shanna King's father), Jean Hill, Jeannie Hinchie (D. Bryson), Regenia Noel (M. Stevens), Ed Pace, Amy B. Peck, Anne Peterson, Barbara Regen, Ralph Shank, Jr., Betty and Gene Stanley, Jane Townsend, Sarah V. Wells, Roger Williams (V. Esarey), persecuted Christians and all troops in defense of freedom throughout the world.



### Peaks Presbytery Prayer Focus This Week

**Appomattox PE Presbyterian Church**, located in Meherrin, VA, in the Piedmont Neighborhood, has been ministering for 133 years.

**Chatham Presbyterian Church**, in the Southside Neighborhood, led by **Rev. Mikel Pugh**

**Amherst Presbyterian Church**, in the Hill Cities Neighborhood, currently being led by **Rev. John Scholer**

**Rev. John Wiederholt**, Stated Clerk of the Presbytery as well as pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Collinsville

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

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### *Please remember*

### Saltine Crackers for Grace Network

Our assignment for Grace Network's food pantry for January through March is **saltine crackers in the 16-ounce box**. Deodorant, toothpaste, bath soap, feminine products, dish detergent, laundry detergent, and toilet paper are also distributed to food pantry clients. These personal care and household items are also needed at the SSRC shelter (former Rainbow House/CAFV). Boxes for donations to both ministries are in the church hallways.



### *Our Mission*

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

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FPC website: [www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/](http://www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/) or [www.fpcmartinsvilleva.org/](http://www.fpcmartinsvilleva.org/)

FPC online directory: [members.instantchurchdirectory.com/](http://members.instantchurchdirectory.com/)

FPC Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/FPCMartinsvilleVA](https://www.facebook.com/FPCMartinsvilleVA)

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

Presbyterian Church (USA): [www.pcusa.org/](http://www.pcusa.org/)

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Monica Stevens: Christian Education

### Class of 2019

Bill Manning: Administration

Teri Ferguson: Worship

Paul Cannaday

### Class of 2020

Denny Casey: Facilities

Ron Rebman, Congregational Care

Fellowship, Kym Tatum

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2018: Monty Montgomery, Henry Moore

2019: Reed Moore, Ralph Shank

2020: Milton Davis, Duke Ferrell

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