

July 29 & August 5, 2018



Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

Invitation

Join the Choir!

The Chancel Choir resumes practice after their summer break on **Wednesday, August 1, at 7:00 PM**. Choir members would be delighted to welcome anyone who likes to sing to come and join them! No previous training or experience is required, and singers are needed in all sections.

If you are out of town a lot, you can still participate in Chancel Choir. Many of our choir members cannot come to every practice but still participate. Both long-term and short-term members are welcome. Music is practiced in advance so if you are absent sometimes, you can still learn the music. If you need to put children to bed, you are welcome to come to part of practice and then leave. The choir practices from 7:00 to 8:30 PM.



We hope you will prayerfully consider serving the Lord in the choir. A solo voice is not required. If you are able to carry a tune, you are needed. If you need a ride to church or child care during practice, we can arrange it.

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What's Happening at FPC

Thursday, July 26

Camp Peaks, 9:00 AM–3:00 PM

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. Contact Nancy Baker (nbaker08@comcast.net, 638-7923) if you can help.

Praise Band, 7:00 PM, Chapel

Friday 27

Camp Peaks, 9:00 AM–3:00 PM



Sunday 29

Unlock/Lock up: Neil Tatum/Milt Davis

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)

Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Ushers: Monty Montgomery, Jeri DeVault, Joe DeVault, Bob Clark

Liturgist: Nancy Moore

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.

Services at 8:30 & 11:00 AM
The Service for the Lord's Day, July 29, 2018
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost—Ordinary Time
Scripture Lessons

Ephesians 3:14-21; 2 Samuel 11:1-15

Sermon by Rev. Mark Hinchcliff

"I Pray You Have the Power to Comprehend"

Additional Lectionary Readings for Sunday

Psalms 14; John 6:1-21

Full text of lectionary readings

www.presbyterianmission.org/devotion/revised-common-lectionary/

Monday, July 30

Session Meeting, 7:00 PM, Session Room

Tuesday, July 31

Steeple Views Deadline, 4:00 PM. Please email information to steepleviews@fpcmartinsvilleva.org for this email update.

Wednesday, August 1

Sanctuary Ringers is still on summer break.

Chancel Choir, 7:00 PM. New singers welcome! This is a great time to join, when we're all learning new music!

Thursday, Aug. 2

Praise Band, 7:00 PM, Chapel

Saturday, Aug. 4

Back-2-School Main Event, 7:30 PM–1:00 PM, lower level



Sunday, Aug. 5

Unlock/Lock up: Johnny Pinkard/Smith Chaney

Communion Sunday, both services

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Chaney/Pritchett

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)

Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Ushers: *Dennis Casey, Billy Kirby, Rob King, Buck Flythe

Liturgist: Lynn Pritchett

Communion Servers: *Neil Tatum, +Duke Ferrell, Liz Ferrell, Victoria Esarey, Denny Casey, Paul Cannaday, Bill Manning, Kym Tatum

Organ Concert, 4:00 PM, First Baptist Church, 23 Starling Ave., John Alexander, organist First Presbyterian Greensboro

Monday, Aug. 6

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

Worship Committee, 7:00 PM

Tuesday, Aug. 7

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 (666-2269 or

je_ware@yahoo.com) for more information.

Steeple Views Deadline, 4:00 PM. Please email information

to steepleviews@fpcmartinsvilleva.org for this two-week

printed edition.

COOKS WHO CARE



Wednesday, Aug. 8

Sanctuary Ringers is on summer break.

Chancel Choir, 7:00 PM. New singers welcome!

Thursday, Aug. 9

NO Praise Band (Deborah Burgess on vacation)

Saturday, Aug. 11

Rehearsal for Hymn Fest choir, 10:00 AM, First Baptist Church, 23 Starling Ave.

Contact Robert Chapman, rchapman@bsccdoc.comcastbiz.net, if you would like to participate.

Sunday, Aug. 12

Unlock/Lock up: Neil Tatum/Denny Casey

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)

Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Blessing our College Students (during the service)

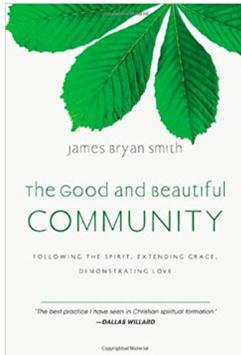
Ushers: *Monty Montgomery, David Garland, Bill Manning, Dru Rothrock

Liturgist: Grayson Russell

Lemonade on the Lawn, 12:05 PM (immediately following the 11 o'clock service)

Hymn Fest, 4:00 PM, First Baptist Church, 23 Starling Ave. Sing along with organ and community choir.

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



Sunday School

"The Good and Beautiful Community"

The Adult Sunday School class will begin a new study this **Sunday, July 29**. The book is *The Good and Beautiful Community* by James Bryan Smith, and the discussion will be lead by Monica Stevens. The first lesson will include the introduction and chapter one. The books are in the Session room and the cost is \$10.00. Class begins at 10:00 AM.

Nominations

Called to Serve

Election of Church Officers

"Christ's ministry is the foundation and standard for all ministry, the pattern of the one who came, "not to be served but to serve" (Matt. 20:28)....Those who undertake particular ministries should be persons of strong faith, dedicated discipleship, and love of Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. Their manner of life should be a demonstration of the Christian gospel in the church and in the world" (PCUSA Book of Order G-2.0101, 2.0104)

Discerning God's Call

As we seek to identify those who are called serve, consider the following characteristics, skills and commitments to the life of faith and the ministry of the church:

- Regular attendance in worship
- Participation in church activities
- Cooperative, with ability to work with others
- Willingness to learn and be open to new ideas
- Conscientious, with ability to follow through on tasks
- Demonstrates a Christian spirit in dealing with others
- Commitment to the government and discipline of the PC(USA)

Ruling Elders

Elders should be "persons of wisdom and maturity of faith, having demonstrated skills in leadership and being compassionate in spirit." (Book of Order G-2.0301) We are seeking three persons to serve a full three-year term (class of 2021). The year of the term runs from January through December.

Trustees

Trustees exercise responsibility "to receive, hold, encumber, manage, and transfer

property, real or personal, for the congregation.” (Book of Order G-4.0101) We are seeking two persons to serve a full three-year term (class of 2021). The year of the term runs from January to December.

All members of the congregation are invited to submit suggestions to the Nomination Committee for the slate of ruling elders and trustees. All active members of First Presbyterian Church are eligible to hold office.

Members of the Nomination Committee

Moderator Susan Pilson, Officiator Mark Hinchcliff, Kim Boyd, Dru Rothrock, and Kent Williams

Nomination Form

Do you know a man or woman of our congregation of strong faith?

Do you know a member with dedicated discipleship?

Who exhibits the love of Jesus Christ in their lives?

Please suggest these people.

A list of current officers is at the bottom of this newsletter.

I would like to suggest the following persons to serve:

Elders

Class of 2021

Trustees

Class of 2021

Please return this form through the offering plate or the church office.

Apartment Fire

Donations Requested

Donations to help Piedmont Community Service’s clients, whose apartment building recently burned down, may be dropped off at Grace Network. Checks may be written to Grace Network and should have “Piedmont” on the memo line to be directed to the right place. They currently have 35 clients in need of toiletries, clothing, and meals.

Please come

Blessing Our College Students

Pastor Mark will have a special blessing of our college students during the **11:00 AM** worship service on **Sunday, August 12**. All of our college students and their families are specially invited to attend. The congregation may greet them after the service during **Lemonade on the Lawn**.



Happy Birthday in August!

- 1 David Chittum, Anne Peterson
- 2 Lynn Beeler, Dwight Christenbury
- 3 Marge Dunn
- 5 Bob Richeson
- 6 Walt Flythe
- 9 Liz Ferrell, John Luther
- 10 Frances Bledsoe
- 11 Melissa Wingfield
- 12 Beth Lawson
- 13 Chuck Cundiff
- 17 Maggie Pilson Bush, Martha Pilson Hice
- 19 Bill Plonk
- 21 Bill Stone
- 22 Laura Buffkin, Johnny Pinkard, Kym Tatum
- 23 Anne Abercrombie
- 24 Nan Smith
- 29 Stuart Beard, Joe Williams
- 31 Dot Bryson



Birthdays were copied from the Instant Church Directory. If you would like yours added, please contact Rita in the church office: office@fpcmartinsvilleva.org, 632-3431.

Prayer Requests

The following members and friends of our congregation need our prayers: Anne Abercrombie, Ken Ashley, Doc Altizer, Walter Anderson, Lex Bendell (L. Ferrell), Marilyn Bremner (S. Ford), Jim Brunt (N. Davis' brother), Dot Bryson, Kimberly Bryson, Bud Buffkin, Alexandria Chaney (daughter-in-law of Smith and Gael), Evelyn Clark, Tommy Cobb (M. Dunn), Janet Cox, Sandra Bryson Cox, Daniel Handy, Helen Hawkes, Jean Hill, Jeannie Hinchie (D. Bryson), Eddie Levi, Regenia Noel (M. Stevens), Ed Pace, Amy Bryson Peck, Anne Peterson, Barbara Regen, Sarah V. Wells, Roger Williams (V. Esarey), persecuted Christians and all troops in defense of freedom throughout the world.



Presbytery Prayer Focus

Davis Memorial Presbyterian Church, Prospect, founded 1911, 60 members
Memorial Presbyterian Church, Nathalie, founded 1943, 32 members
Rustburg Presbyterian Church, led by **Commissioned Pastor Terri Cornwell**,
founded 1878, 86 members

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

Thank You

Gifts to the Church
In memory of Billie DePuy
Colleen Dallas

Please remember

Breakfast Cereal for Grace Network

Our assignment for July, August, and September for Grace Network's food pantry is CEREAL, 12- to 18-ounce boxes. Deodorant, toothpaste, bath soap, feminine products, dish detergent, laundry detergent, and toilet paper are also distributed to food pantry clients. 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

Printed copies of Steeple Views are available at church. Current and back issues are also on our website:

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

Useful Links

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/

Daily Bible Readings: www.presbyterianmission.org/devotion/daily/

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THE SESSION

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Class of 2018

Sharon Kirby: Mission/Outreach

Nancy Moore: Stewardship/Communications

Monica Stevens: Christian Education

Class of 2019

Paul Cannaday: Mission/Outreach

Teri Ferguson: Worship

Susan Pilson, Congregational Care

Class of 2020

Denny Casey: Facilities

Ron Rebman: Administration

Kym Tatum: Fellowship

TRUSTEES

2018: Monty Montgomery, Henry Moore

2019: Reed Moore, Ralph Shank

2020: Milton Davis, Duke Ferrell

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