August 1, 2024



Pastor's Corner Pastor Bea Miller

Dear First Presbyterian family,

We have a special treat on Sunday! **James Baker**, Nancy Baker's grandson, will be playing a Wynton Marsalis piece on saxophone! It is great that we can host and encourage young talent.

And the following week, August 11, we will participate in community worship at Forest Hills Presbyterian. We have had so much great fellowship during community worship, I hope you can join in the fun on August 11.

Peace be with you,

Pastor Bea



Please join us for worship this eleventh Sunday after Pentecost at 10:00 AM

Sermon by Pastor Bea

based Ephesians 4:1-16 and John 6:24-35

Liturgist: Cindy Edgerton

Ushers/Greeters: Johnny and Ashby Pinkard

Liturgist Schedule

<u>August</u>

4 Cindy Edgerton
11 *no liturgist needed*
18 Duke Ferrell
25 Billy Kirby

September

1 Liz Ferrell

8 *no liturgist needed*

15 Jack Kirby

22 Sharon Kirby

29 Ione Linker



Watch for emails, texts or calls that might be fraudulent and do not trust communications (even if they sound legitimate) that ask for personal information, money or gift cards.

You will NEVER get an email from the church or your pastor asking you to purchase gift cards because we are busy or in a meeting.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9:30-3pm Friday Closed

If you need to conduct office business outside these hours, please call to make an appointment (276-632-3431). Voicemail will be monitored.



<u>Steeple Views will be on vacation next week - publication will resume</u> on August 15.

The Commission on Ministry is hosting a meeting at FPC on Wednesday, August 7th at 6:00 PM to touch base with clergy and congregations and provide information about the Board of Pensions changes coming in 2025. Meals will be provided. RSVPs are required. To register go



FPC will be hosting the American Red Cross in the Fellowship Hall for a blood drive, Monday, August 26 from 1 - 6 PM. Please contact Nancy Baker for additional information or to volunteer.

To schedule a donation, sign up online at https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/donation-time or call 1-800-733-2767.

As a thanks for all donors who come to give blood Aug. 1-31, 2024, they'll get a \$20 Amazon.com Gift Card by email.

HAPPY 50th ANNIVERSARY to Ashby and Johnny Pinkard on August 3rd. (Aren't they so cute??!!)





Join us again this summer for





June 9 - Grace Presbyterian @ 11 am 218 Fayette Street, Martinsville, VA

July 14 - First Presbyterian Martinsville @ 10 am 1901 Patrick Henry Avenue, Martinsville, VA

August 11 - Forest Hills Presbyterian @ 11 am 725 Beechnut Lane, Martinsville, VA

September 8 - First Presbyterian Collinsville @ 11 am 4500 King's Mountain Road. Collinsville, VA

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Light refreshments will be served following each service.



RACIAL EQUITY SUBCOMMITTEE

and the

JUSTICE AND MERCY COMMISSION

are committed to exploring and responding to the intersectionality of structural racism, systemic poverty, and Church vitality in America.

Join other members of PEAKS PRESBYTERY on a three-day, two-night pilgrimage to Richmond VA to learn of its involvement in the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade, the Civil War and broader VA history

> VIRGINIA MUSEUM OF HISTORY & CULTURE

American Civil War



*Total cost (includes lodging, meals, and transportation while in Richmond) and threeday itinerary coming soon!



In Richmond, travelers will lodge in the historic

CHMOND

RICHMOND HILL Christian Fellowship Retreat Center, followed by days of touring, learning, and meals

for further information: Vernie Bolden, vernie@peakspresbytery.org



Community Breakfast

Team leaders and schedule for the remainder of the year

- August 17 **Suzan & Bill Kirby**
- September 21 Brooke & Chuck Cundiff
- October 19 Billy & Sharon Kirby
- November 16 Nancy & Henry Moore
- December 21 Kym & Neil Tatum
- January 18 **NEED LEADER**



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

There are many opportunities to let your gifts shine during this great event.

Registration

- . Saturday, July 13 (noon 3pm) at The Uptown Ministry Center
- . Tuesday, July 23 (6-8 pm) at The Uptown Ministry Center

Pack the Bus

At Walmart, Martinsville July 19-21. Shifts TBD
 (City Cluster's supplies are from Holy Trinity Lutheran)

Filling Backpacks

At the Future Home of Community Fellowship
 700 Commerce Court, Martinsville
 Tuesday, July 30 (6:00 pm) All are welcome!

The Big Event

(City Cluster back pack filling Wed. 31 at 5pm)

At The Uptown Ministry Center (Behind Rania's)
 Saturday, August 3 (7:30 am) Shifts will be determined

If you can help, please email: Tracy Hinchcliff tracy.hinchcliff@gracenetworkmhc.org or call 276-403-4222.

Lemonade on the Lawn



Will be the following Sundays:

Aug 18 Sep 15



- 2 Dwight Christenbury, Lynne Beeler
 - **3** Marjorie Dunn
 - 4 Rita Bateman
 - **5** Bob Richeson
 - 6 Walt, Jr. Flythe
 - **9** John Luther, Liz Ferrell
 - 10 Frances Bledsoe
 - 11 Melissa Wingfield
 - 12 Beth Lawson
 - 13 Chuck Cundiff
 - 17 Maggie Pilson
 - **21** Bill Stone
- 22 Johnny Pinkard, Kym Tatum, Patsy Stanley
 - 23 Anne Abercrombie
 - 29 Joe Williams, Stuart Beard

These members and friends of the congregation need our prayers:

PRAYER CONCERNS

Anne Abercrombie, Sue Benfield, Jerry Bishop, Jackie Bloxom (P. Stanley), Bud Buffkin, Evelyn Cannaday, Bob Chapman, Joel Christman (B. Stanley), April Cox (B. Tatum), Nancy Davis, Steve Edgerton, Marge Dunn, Teri Ferguson, Neill Ferrill (S. Ford), Gary Francisco (Shanna King's Father), Juanita Griffin (J & B Williams), Daniel Handy, Marvin Hudson, Harold Lamm, Mary Manning, Jackie McLachlan, Regina Newman (P. Stanley), Maggie Pilson, Rusty Reaser, Susan Rosser, Becky Stone Sawyers (L. Pritchett), Dee Moore Smith, Laura Stevens, Scott Stevens, Bruce Thomas, Nathan Toms (A.



Madonia), Carl Utley, Tammy Tucker Wardinski, persecuted Christians, military service men and women, missionaries, and all refugees and immigrants forced to flee their countries.

Congregational Care and Fellowship

If you are in need of a <u>prayer shawl</u>, or know someone that could use one, please pick one up from the narthex and be sure to sign it out. If you have any questions, please reach out to Pearl Minter.

If you are in need of prayer, a meal, transportation, etc...due to a death in the family or the birth of a baby, please reach out to the Congregational Care and Fellowship committee by contacting Pearl at 276 340-3476.

Grace Network Donations

<u>3rd quarter food donation item is</u> <u>Toothpaste</u>



Please consider donating extra when you are able to get out and about as your donations will become more important

than ever.

Hygiene Items are always needed (optional)

*Toilet Paper

*Bath Soap

*Dish Detergent

*Feminine Products

*Deodorant

*Toothpaste

*Laundry Detergent

*Items may be brought to the church or dropped off at Grace Network, Monday
- Friday, 9-2 PM



Steeple Views is published weekly on Thursdays. **DEADLINE** for submission of articles is Wednesday evening.

If you have information you want included in Steeple Views, **PLEASE SEND**TO: fpcsteepleviews@gmail.com. For time sensitive announcements, please send to skirbycwj@gmail.com

We reserve the right to edit all submissions. Sharon Kirby, Editor



For updates and announcements, please click on the link below or copy and paste into your web browser:

https://www.peakspresbytery.org/peaks-postings/

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: <u>members.instantchurchdirectory.com/</u> FPC Facebook page: <u>www.facebook.com/FPCMartinsvilleVA</u>

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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Class of 2025

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Sue Legg: Stewardship and Communication

Monica Stevens: Christian Education

Class of 2026

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2024: Duke Ferrell, Milt Davis2025: William Kirby, Gale Legg2026: Sharon Kirby, Dru Rothrock

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