August 29, 2024



Pastor's Corner Pastor Bea Miller

Dear First Presbyterian family,

We are still in our 4-question series from Good Futures. Thanks to those of you who have answered the first question. And yes, there is still time to send (rev.millerb@gamil.com) an answer to the first question: What inspires you about our congregation's engagement in our wider community and neighborhood ~ either currently or in the past?

This week's question is: In the last few years, what moment stands out as being an example of our congregation at its best?

I look forward to hearing all you have to say! Please email (rev.millerb@gmail.com) or put your answers in the collection plate on Sunday. And please mark your calendar for the potluck reveal on Sunday, September 29th ~ following worship.

Peace be with you,

Pastor Bea



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

Sermon by Pastor Bea

based upon James 1:17-27 and Psalm 15

Liturgist: Liz Ferrell

Ushers/Greeters: Judy King, Monty Montgomery

Liturgist Schedule

September

1 Liz Ferrell

8 *no liturgist needed*

15 Jack Kirby

22 Sharon Kirby

29 Ione Linker



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.



Presbyterian Women's Circle Meetings - Monday, September 9th at 11:00 AM. Meetings will be at King's Grant. If you are not a King's Grant resident, please sign in at the front desk upon your arrival and lunch can be purchased for \$12. If you have not already picked up your book, they are available in the narthex. Look for your name.

Lemonade on the Lawn, September 15

The service for Harold Lamm will be held at FPC Monday, **September 16, at 11 am** with a reception to follow. Please reach out to <u>Pearl Minter</u> if you are able to provide food or help.

Noon. Bring your shovels, rakes, weed-eaters, wheelbarrows, paint brushes and lots of energy. Contact Dru Rothrock at <u>276-732-0495</u> if you have any questions.

Congregational Meeting - **Sunday, September 29,** following the worship service, to elect officers for the Class of 2027.

Potluck Lunch - Sunday, September 29 following the congregational meeting where we will discuss responses to questions from Good Futures.



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

Light refreshments will be served following each service.

Justice & Mercy Commission Racial Equity Subcommittee

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OCT 10-12

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 Museum



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

Total Cost: \$190 per person (includes lodging, meals, and transportation while in Richmond)
Registration and \$50 Deposit:
Due in the office by
Sept. 6

(Remaining S140 due Sept. 19)



Register Here

Or see the Events tab on the website

for further information: Vernie Boldern vernie@peakspresbytery.org



Community Breakfast

Team leaders and schedule for the remainder of the year

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



1 Monty Montgomery, Virginia R. King

4 Nancy Davis

8 Suzan Kirby

10 Autumn Sanders

11 Victoria Esarey

15 Gwendolyn Seamon

16 Judy King

20 Jean Williams

25 Carolyn Baptist, Gavin Russell



Updates on Rev. Cheryl Peeples' grandson Asa's illness can be found at CaringBridge, web address https://www.caringbridge.org. Put Asa Peeples' name in

the search bar and create a free account, if you do not already have one. His account is the one with the picture of him on it.

These members and friends of the congregation need our prayers:

PRAYER CONCERNS

Family of Harold Lamm, 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, Jennifer Holland (N. Davis), Dr. Mervyn King, Marvin Hudson, Mary Manning, Jackie McLachlan, 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 **prayer shawl**, 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 <u>276 340-3476</u>.

Grace Network Donations

3rd quarter food donation item is Toothpaste



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

ALSO in need of plastic grocery bags and empty egg cartons (any size). These can be deposited in the bins inside the Narthex

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, <u>PLEASE SEND TO</u>: <u>fpcsteepleviews@gmail.com</u>. For time sensitive announcements, please send to <u>skirbycwj@gmail.com</u>

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

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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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Monica Stevens: Christian Education

Class of 2026

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