

January 25, 2024



# Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

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## Pastor's Corner

**Pastor Bea Miller**

Dear First Presbyterian family,

By now you should have received a refrigerator magnet with our Pastoral Care cell phone number: [276-734-8830](tel:276-734-8830). If you have not already done so, please program the number into your cell phone too.

The Pastoral Care cell phone is for when you need prayer, a hospital visit, a phone call, or home visit. The cell phone is monitored all day, even when the church is closed. Please use it any time you need support. I have the cell phone with me most of the time. When I'm on vacation, one of our Elders will have the phone. Please leave a message, as with my personal cell phone, I am not always glued to it. But I am always happy to return a call.

Please do not distribute the phone number beyond our family. We do not want the phone used for business matters or for those seeking services. We have a landline and office hours for those purposes.

With gratitude for all the ways we stay connected,

Pastor Bea

P.S.

If you have not received a magnet or need another, we will have them available on Sunday.

Pastor Bea

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Please join us for worship this fourth Sunday after the Epiphany at 10:00 AM

**Sermon by Pastor Bea**  
**based upon Mark 1:21-28 and Psalm 111**

**Liturgist:** Jerri DeVault  
**Ushers/Greeters:** Betty Hudson and Neil Tatum

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## **Liturgist Schedule**

### **January**

28 Jerri DeVault

### **February**

4 Joe DeVault

11 Cindy Edgerton

18 Janet Fentress

25 Duke Ferrell

### **March**

3 Liz Ferrell

10 Billy Kirby

17 Jack Kirby

24 Sharon Kirby \*\*Palm Sunday\*\*

31 Sam Smith \*\*Easter\*\*

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**Be Aware!**

## Protect yourself from scammers!

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.

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### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9:30-4pm

Friday 9:30-2pm

**\*\*The church office and preschool** will be closed Monday, January 15, for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

HELP



**Will Kirby** will be offering technical support in the coming weeks to any church member needing assistance with wireless phones, tablets, laptops, smart watches, etc.

He will be available in the Fellowship Hall on **Saturday, February 10, from 12:30 PM - 3 PM**

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**Some jewelry** was recently found in the kitchen area. If you think it might be yours please call the church office at [276-632-3431](tel:276-632-3431) and speak with Rita.

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**Session Meeting - Monday, January 29th** at 6:00 PM.

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**PW Circle Meeting - Monday, February 5** at 11 AM at King's Grant. Lunch is \$11. If you are not a resident of King's Grant sign in at the front desk and purchase a lunch ticket upon arrival.

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**Inclement Weather:** in the event of weather that could impact our area you will be notified by TEXT and/or EMAIL if services are canceled. Make sure the church office has your email and cell phone number in the church directory so you will receive notifications. Notifications will also be on local TV stations WSLs-10, WDBJ-7 and FOX-27.

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## Community Breakfast



Several Sundays ago Billy Kirby shared numbers relating to the current financial status of FPC. Let's talk numbers related to the Community Breakfast held last Saturday. First of all, it was 20 degrees outside on Saturday. We did have heat in the Fellowship Hall thanks to Rita for calling

HVAC contractor to alert them that we had an event scheduled for that day. We had 27 volunteers, 18 church members and 9 friends and family, come out early on a cold, windy Saturday morning to prepare and serve breakfast. Wow! We filled 148 plates with about 70 guests eating in house. In order to serve that number of plates, we cooked over 300 eggs, 11 boxes of sausage (330 patties), 20 cans of biscuits, 2 gallons of sausage gravy, pancakes (too many to count), and fresh fruit. All the eggs were donated by Kathy Washburn of Ridgeway and Tonya Martin of Ponderosa Farm in Snow Creek.

Thank you to everyone who braved the weather and cooked, set-up, prepared fruit and to-go items, served food and drinks, entertained with music, and cleaned up. We greeted our guests with a smile and provided a warm environment for a hot breakfast to be enjoyed by all.

### **Team leaders and schedule for the remainder of the year**

- February 17 **Jerri & Joe DeVault**
- March 23 **Kym & Neil Tatum**
- April 20 **Sharon & Billy Kirby**
- May 18 **Suzan & Bill Kirby**
- June 15 **Jerri & Joe DeVault**
- July 20 **NEED LEADER**
- 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**

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### ***Happy January Birthdays!***



- 7** Elena King
- 10** Dr. James Beard
- 16** Billy Kirby, Wendy Luther
- 17** Grace Ann Crimmins
- 18** Mary Elizabeth Pilson-Bazemore
- 19** Helen Flythe
- 21** Bonny Pace
- 23** Milt Davis
- 28** David Garland
- 29** Jack Kirby, Rusty Reaser
- 31** Mattie Wingfield

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**These members and friends of the congregation need our prayers:**

## PRAYER CONCERNS

Family of Leon Tysor Jordan, II (Christy Buck's father), Sue Benfield, Georgette Bishop, Jackie Bloxom (P. Stanley), Marilyn and Ernest Bremner, Catherine Bridges, Cathie Carter (B. Tatum), Bob Chapman, Joel Christman (B. Stanley), April Cox (B. Tatum), Steve Edgerton, Marge Dunn, Neill Ferrill (S. Ford), Gary Francisco (Shanna King's Father), Juanita Griffin (B & J Williams), Daniel Handy, Marvin Hudson, Betty Carol and Harold Lamm, Mary Manning, Barbara Mitchell (KJ Joyce), Maggie Pilson, Ronnie & Marissa Pruet, 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.



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## 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 [276 340-3476](tel:2763403476).

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## Grace Network Donations

### 1st quarter food donation item is Spaghetti Sauce (24)



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
- \*Toilet Paper
- \*Deodorant
- \*Deodorant
- \*Toothpaste
- \*Laundry Detergent

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



### *Steeple Views Reminder*

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

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

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#### Our Mission

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

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#### Useful Links

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/)

Daily Bible Readings: [www.presbyterianmission.org/devotion/daily/](http://www.presbyterianmission.org/devotion/daily/)

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Clerk: Nancy Baker

Treasurer: Henry Moore

### **Class of 2024**

Pearl Minter: Congregational Care and Fellowship

Neil Tatum: Facilities

Liz Ferrell: Worship

### **Class of 2025**

Ron Rebman: Mission/Outreach

Sue Legg: Stewardship and Communication

Monica Stevens: Christian Education

### **Class of 2026**

Billy Kirby: Administration

Susan Pilson: Communication

Anne Madonia: Think Tank

### **TRUSTEES**

2024: Duke Ferrell, Milt Davis

2025: William Kirby, Gale Legg

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