

March 28, 2024



Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA



Please join us for worship this Easter Sunday at 10:00 AM

Sermon by Pastor Bea

based upon John 20:1-18 and Isaiah 25:6-9

Liturgist: Sam Smith

Ushers/Greeters: Monty and Joan Montgomery

Liturgist Schedule

March

31 Sam Smith **Easter**

April

7 Pearl Minter

14 Mary Linker

21 Ione Linker
28 Joan Montgomery

May

5 Monty Montgomery
12 Nancy Moore
19 Ashby Pinkard
26 Lynn Pritchett

June

2 Ron Rebman
9 *none*
16 Joe Williams
23 Gale Buck
30 Milt Davis

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.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9:30-4pm
Friday 9:30-2pm

Minute for Mission: Update on Church Budget Provided by Billy Kirby

As part of our ongoing efforts to keep the congregation up to date on the Church's financial picture I thought I'd share some highlights of the recently adopted budget.

As with any budget, the Church has both income and expenses and those are outlined below.

Total expenses are anticipated to increase more than \$100,000 over last years "actual" expenses as our costs have increased across the board. So, total expenses are budgeted at **\$501,156**.

Our income, as it stands now, is comprised of three main components:

1. Contribution income – pledges and offerings
2. Misc. income – i.e., ERTC money (explained below)
3. Endowment income – money we take to balance the budget

Total income for 2024 is anticipated to be \$501,156 (to make the budget balance).

Contribution (pledges & offerings) income of \$231,945

Miscellaneous income of \$108,625 of which almost \$105,000 of that is the ERTC money we should receive this year. This is money the government is giving us for keeping our staff employed during the pandemic. That is great, however, I caution you that it is non-recurring.

That leaves the money we need to take from the endowment in order to balance the budget. We anticipate taking **\$160,586**. You may recall, that number was predicted to be significantly higher last year. Luckily, we didn't have to take as much as anticipated last year due to the extremely generous giving you folks did; And, endowment has continued to perform well thus far this year so that is good news.

There are some positive trends and good things continue to move forward that could be significant. Keep up the good work.



ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

*****STEEPLE VIEWS WILL NOT BE PUBLISHED NEXT WEEK*****

BE ALERT! Southwestern Va Gas Company will be installing a new main line in front of the church beginning **Friday, March 29**. They plan to complete the job the following week while schools are on spring break.

Maundy Thursday & Tenebrae Service of Darkness service will be on **Friday, March 29th at 6:00 PM**. Communion will be served by Intinction.

Pastor Bea will be away April 3-5. One of our elders will be on call if pastoral care is needed. Call and leave a message or text [276-734-8830](tel:276-734-8830).

Women's Circle Meeting is Monday, April 8th at King's Grant at 11:00 AM. Betty Hudson will be leading lesson 8. If you are not a King's Grant resident, please sign in at the front desk and purchase your lunch ticket for \$12 upon arrival.

Pastor Bea will be away April 15 -May 3 on her pilgrimage in Ireland and Iona in Scotland. While she is away, elders of our church will be on call if pastoral care is needed. Call [276-734-8830](tel:276-734-8830) and leave a message or text. You may also leave a message on the church office phone.



Community Breakfast

Team leaders and schedule for the remainder of the year

- 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**

Happy April Birthdays!

- 4** Max Pinkston
- 5** Kathryn Judson
- 7** Bob Davis
- 9** Pastor Bea Miller
- 14** Judy Garland
- 15** Briana Tatum
- 17** Barbara Tatum
- 20** Manly Boyd
- 22** Matthew Price
- 30** Lynn Pritchett, Will Kirby



These members and friends of the congregation need our prayers:

PRAYER CONCERNS

Family of Nanette Smith, Family of George Townsend, Sue Benfield, Jerry Bishop, Jackie Bloxom (P. Stanley), Marilyn & Ernest Bremner, Cathie Carter (B. Tatum), Joel Christman (B. Stanley), Beau Coughlen (great-grandson of M & N Davis), April Cox (B. Tatum), Steve Edgerton, Marge Dunn, Neill Ferrill (S. Ford), Gary Francisco (Shanna King's Father), Juanita Griffin (J & B Williams), Daniel Handy, Marvin Hudson, Betty Carol and Harold Lamm, Mary Manning, Maggie Pilson, Susan Rosser, Becky Stone Sawyers (L. Pritchett), Dee Moore Smith, Laura Stevens, Scott Stevens, Barbara Tatum, 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 [276 340-3476](tel:2763403476).

Grace Network Donations

**2nd quarter food donation item is
Potato products (boxed mashed, scalloped)**



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*



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

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FPC online directory: members.instantchurchdirectory.com/

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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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Neil Tatum: Facilities

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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

2026: Sharon Kirby, Dru Rothrock

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