

**October 31, 2024**



# Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

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## **Pastor's Corner** **Pastor Bea Miller**

Dear First Presbyterian family,

We are blessed to be a blessing to each other and the world. And we have seen this in many ways in the past week. On Saturday we cleaned our grounds and building. Everything looks wonderful!! On Sunday we enjoyed a potluck complete with engaging activities. And on Sunday, November 10, we will hear the fruits of our labors. (For those of you who missed the potluck we combined our words to help create the liturgy for Commitment Sunday.) On Monday our beloved ministry, Cooks Who Care, was revived. God is doing great things among us. Thank you for all the ways you are engaging and supporting our ministries!

The theme of our potluck was "Yes And." We practiced building on each other's talents and ideas. "Yes And" is a community building, energy building process that helps us engage the synergy of the Holy Spirit. Engaging the Holy Spirit as we build on each other's talents and ideas will propel us into God's future for First Presbyterian. It is a blessing to be part of this congregation.

And keep those gratitude stories coming. The deadline is November 10. Stories touch the heart of who we are and help us become who God is calling us to be. I'm excited to be able to share your gratitude stories in worship on Sunday, November 24th.

Peace be with you,

Pastor Bea



Please join us this twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost at 10:00 AM

**Sermon by Pastor Bea**

based upon Psalm 146

**Liturgist:** Nancy Moore

**Usher/Greeters:** Joe and Jerri DeVault

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## **Liturgist Schedule**

### **November**

3 Nancy Moore

10 Ron Rebman

17 Lynn Pritchett

24 Monty Montgomery

### **December**

1 Martha Rollins

8 Joe Williams

15 Gale Buck

22 Sam Smith

29 Joe DeVault

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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 9:30am - 4pm

Friday 9:30am - 2pm

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

**Wanted:** Faithful Elders to share our Lord's Supper with members who are not able to attend services. This is an opportunity to visit and share with other members by extending our Lord's Supper to all who want to be served and you may serve them any day of communion week. Training is provided for anyone interested in serving as part of First Presbyterian's Extended Table. Reach out to Nancy Davis ([276-634-1403](tel:276-634-1403) or [davistwo@comcast.net](mailto:davistwo@comcast.net)) for more information on how you can serve others through this vital ministry.

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**To support the Presbytery flood disaster relief** efforts you may send a

check to Presbytery of the Peaks and designate your gift to DR000169. Checks may be placed in with the offering and we will get them to the Presbytery office for you.

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**PW Circle Meeting** is Monday, November 4th at King's Grant at 11:00 AM. Gael Chaney will be leading lesson 3. 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.

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**Commitment Sunday** is November 10th when we offer our financial and discipleship gifts to God for the upcoming year.

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## Community Breakfast

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

- November 16 **Nancy & Henry Moore**
  - December 21 **Kym & Neil Tatum**
  - January 18 **NEED LEADER**
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- 2** Colton Sanders
- 3** Bill Hensley, Elizabeth Harris
- 5** Neil Tatum
- 6** Brooke Cundiff
- 8** Donna Lawhon
- 15** Steven Minter

- 18** Donna King  
**21** Henry Grady III Moore  
**23** Sue Benfield  
**27** Joe DeVault, Leanna Blevins  
**28** Norah Cundiff
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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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### **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), Steve Edgerton, Marge Dunn, Teri Ferguson, Neill Ferrill (S. Ford), Martin 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, C.J. Swinney (great-grandson of Pearl Minter), 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. Areas and families affected by Hurricanes Helene and Milton.



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## ***Grace Network Donations***

**4th quarter food donation item is**  
**Canned Fruit**



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*



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#### Our Mission

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

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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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2024: Duke Ferrell, Milt Davis

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