

September 12, 2024



# Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

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## Pastor's Corner

Pastor Bea Miller

Dear First Presbyterian family,

It is time for our third question: What is different about us, compared to other congregations, in a positive sense?

Your answers to the other questions are coming in strong ~ keep them coming. You can put answers in the offering plate any week, drop them off at church, or email them to [rev.millerb@gmail.com](mailto:rev.millerb@gmail.com). And mark your calendar for the reveal on **Sunday, September 29th** at our potluck lunch.

Peace be with you,

Pastor Bea

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Please join us this seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost at 10:00 AM

**Sermon by Pastor Bea**

based upon Mark 7:24-37 and Psalm 146

**Liturgist:** Ione Linker  
**Ushers:** Monty and Joan Montgomery

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## Liturgist Schedule

### September

15 Ione Linker  
22 Mary Linker  
29 Jack Kirby

### October

6 Sharon Kirby  
13 Pearl Minter  
20 Joan Montgomery  
27 Monty Montgomery

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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

If you need to conduct office business outside these hours, please call to make an

appointment ([276-632-3431](tel:276-632-3431)). Voicemail will be monitored.

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**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 [Pearl Minter](#) if you are able to provide food or help.

**The Community Breakfast is Saturday, September 21** with team leaders Brooke and Chuck Cundiff. Cooking begins at 7:00 AM and breakfast is served from 8:00 - 9:30 AM. Reach out to **Brooke** [276 340-6124](tel:276-340-6124) or **Judy King** [276 340-8101](tel:276-340-8101) if you are available to cook, serve, or clean.

Worship on **Sunday, September 22** will include the Sacrament of Baptism for **Leo Hayes Fitts-Bernard**, great grandson of Ed Linker.

**Facilities Fall Clean-Up Day is Saturday, September 28th from 8:00 AM to Noon.** Bring your shovels, rakes, weed-eaters, wheelbarrows, paint brushes and lots of energy. Contact Dru Rothrock at [276 732-0495](tel:276-732-0495) 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.

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# COMMUNITY RESOURCE DAY

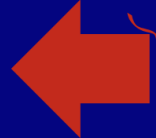
SEPTEMBER 21, 2024 10 AM - 3 PM

 Fayette Street between Dunlap & Market

- FREE Food & Clothing
- FREE Access to Community Services
- Fellowship & More!



[bit.ly/crd-2024](https://bit.ly/crd-2024)




**Vendor Sign-up!**  
Register by **Sept. 15th**

\*Rain Date: Sept. 28, 2024

Grace Presbyterian Church | 218 Fayette St. | Martinsville, VA 24112  
[kgperry1988@gmail.com](mailto:kgperry1988@gmail.com) | (276) 632-5783

## 4RC Community Mental Health Walk 2024

September 28, 10am-12pm, Sports Complex (Below Amphitheater) Theme: "Be There" 

- **Angelina Memorial Tree Planting & Keynote Speaker** - Sarah Garnet Cobbler, Mom of Angelina Moreton Cobbler, will speak before we plant a memorial tree for Angelina, who passed on 11/24/20.



- **"Bake with Love"** - Bake yummy sweets for our walk! Free walk for all Bakers plus a friend, Raffle for a FREE #SPM24 T-Shirt! Deadline to Enter: [9/20/24](#)
- **"Walk with Love"** - Largest Group of walkers for 3.0 Mile Walk WINS a % of donations raised for school, church, non-profit or for-profit community projects! Deadline to Enter: [9/20/24](#)
- [Good for Non-Beta hours for Beta Students, walking groups, and for student sports and clubs!](#)



Presented by the 4RC Scholarship Board & the Scholarship Board's Volunteer Committee  
 Call 276-252-3047 or email [roryyatesipad@gmail.com](mailto:roryyatesipad@gmail.com)

Community Mental Health Walk  
 T-Shirts on sale this Friday  
 8/30-9/12/24!

Justice & Mercy Commission  
 Racial Equity Subcommittee

**EXPLORE**

*Richmond VA*  
 ...AND BE TRANSFORMED....!

**OCT 10-12**

**RACIAL EQUITY SUBCOMMITTEE**

and the

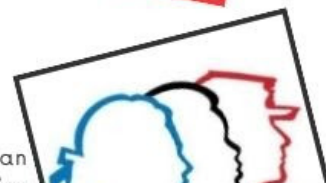
**JUSTICE AND MERCY COMMISSION**

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**

American Civil War





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

In Richmond, travelers will lodge  
in the historic  
**RICHMOND HILL Christian**  
**Fellowship Retreat Center,**  
followed by days of touring,  
learning, and meals

(Remaining \$140 due Sept. 19)



**Register Here**

Or see the Events tab on  
the website

for further information:  
Vernie Boldern  
vernief@peaks-presbytery.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**

## Happy September Birthdays!

**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

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25 Carolyn Baptist, Gavin Russell

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Congratulations to **Grace Ann and Chris Crimmins** on the birth of their daughter, ***Josie Louise Crimmins***, born August 30. Proud grandparents are Cindy and Steve Edgerton and great grandparents Virginia and Dr. Mervyn King

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

### **PRAYER CONCERNS**

Family of Patricia Collins (Jennifer Nease's mother), 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), 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, 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:276-340-3476).

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## 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 Reminder

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

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

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### Our Mission

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

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**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](http://www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/page.cfm/topic/newsletter)

### 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](http://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/)

**Church Office Phone:** [276-632-3431](tel:276-632-3431)

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### THE SESSION

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

2026: Sharon Kirby, Dru Rothrock

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