

November 10, 2019



# Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA



## Commitment Sunday, November 10

Stewardship is another way of talking about ministry, and it would revolutionize ministry if people could think of it in terms of stewardship—that we are accountable to God for what we do and with what he has trusted to us.

The word *stewardship* comes from the Greek word *oikonomos*, which means somebody who manages a household. A person doesn't own the household but manages it. And stewards in the ancient world, of course, were trusted with everything from seeing that the floors were clean, to the finances, to the public face of that household. Joseph is a good biblical example of that.

We are not the owners but have been trusted with resources and the care of everything—Creation, gifts and talents, money, time, the gospel—for the sake of God's purposes in the world.

this excerpt taken from:

<https://www.christianitytoday.com/biblestudies/articles/churchhomeleadership/accountablegod.html?start=1>

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## Community Breakfast

Please come out and join us on **Saturday, November 16** for fun and fellowship in the Marge Dunn Kitchen!

**Free Community Breakfast**, Kitchen & Fellowship Hall  
**7:00 AM**, Volunteers begin preparing.  
**8:00–9:30 AM**, Serving

Contact Paul Cannaday,  
[pcannaday@comcast.net](mailto:pcannaday@comcast.net), 252-8191, for more information.



Money and registration forms will be collected following both worship services on November 3 and 10.

**Advent Workshop and Sandwich Luncheon**

**Sunday, November 17, 12-2pm**

**All projects will cost \$7 per participant.** Every class is open to all ages; however, children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult. Registration forms will be available in the pews and outside the chapel. For more info or to reserve your spot, call the church office or Sam ([sfsmith@mail.roanoke.edu](mailto:sfsmith@mail.roanoke.edu) or 276-224-2811).

**Wooden Creche** – You will make a stable for your own nativity set that's sure to be a family keepsake. This workshop is ideal for families looking to do a project together. **Limited to 6 participants (only one heirloom per family).**

**Gift Jars** – You will have two great homemade gifts to give after coming to the Cookie Jar and Soup Jar workshop. We will decoratively fill our beautiful jars with the makings for some wonderful cookies and another jar for a yummy, warming soup! These jars can also be donated to a worthy cause if you prefer.

**Lighted Present** – You will not believe how beautiful a lighted block can be! We will take a glass block and insert white lights and then wrap it with a beautiful bow. It will shine in homes and hearts for years to come. **Limited to 10 participants.**

**Glass Ornaments** – Decorate a set of six glass balls with paint poured inside. Add a ribbon and your creativity and you have a set of unique ornaments for yourself or as a gift. **Limited to 10 participants.**

**Handmade Christmas Cards (Mission Project)** – Participants will make a unique handmade Christmas card to be sent to shut-ins. **NO COST FOR THIS WORKSHOP**



Hanging of the Greens will take place on **Sunday, December 1** during the 11:00 AM worship service. If

you would like for your children to participate, please contact Sam Smith at ([sfsmith@mail.roanoke.edu](mailto:sfsmith@mail.roanoke.edu) or 276-224-2811).

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## What's Happening at FPC

### Thursday, November 7

**Praise Band practice, 7:00 PM**

### Sunday, November 10

*Unlock/Lockup:* Johnny Pinkard/Victoria Esarey

#### **Commitment Sunday**

**Contemporary Worship, 8:30 AM**, Chapel

**Fellowship & Refreshments, 9:30 AM**, Fellowship Hall

**Sunday School, 9:45 AM**, Children 4 yrs-2nd grade, Room 11-12 under the Sanctuary; Adult class, Session Room (Room 134, upper level)

**Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM**, Sanctuary

**Ushers:** \*Denny Casey, Billy Kirby, Rob King

*Liturgist:* Denny Casey

**Frozen Jr, 2:00 PM**, PHCC-Walker Fine Arts Theater

*Childcare for infants and toddlers is provided all morning in the nursery under the Sanctuary. Children's Worship is offered for age 4 through 2nd grade during the traditional worship service after the Time with Young Disciples.*

#### **Services at 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM**

**The Service for the Lord's Day, November 10, 2019**

**Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost (Ordinary Time)**

#### **Scripture Lessons**

2 Thessalonians 2:13-17, and Psalm 145:1-5, 17-21

Sermon by March Hinchcliff

**"The Word of the Lord Endures Forever!"**

**Full text of lectionary readings**

[www.presbyterianmission.org/devotion/revised-common-lectionary/](http://www.presbyterianmission.org/devotion/revised-common-lectionary/)

## More Happenings

### Monday, November 11

**Presbyterian Women, 10:30 AM**, Fellowship Hall

**Congregational Supper, 6:00 PM**, Fellowship Hall

**Committee Meetings, 7:00 PM**

### Tuesday, November 12

**Library Committee 10:00 AM**, Library

### Wednesday, November 13

**Sanctuary Ringers, 5:45 PM**, Handbell Room

### Thursday, November 14

**Praise Band practice, 7:00 PM**

**Saturday, November 16**

**Free Community Breakfast**, Kitchen & Fellowship Hall

**7:00 AM**, Volunteers begin preparing.

**8:00–9:30 AM**, Serving

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**Sunday, November 17**

*Unlock/Lockup*: Neil Tatum/Henry Moore

**Contemporary Worship, 8:30 AM**, Chapel

**Fellowship & Refreshments, 9:30 AM**, Fellowship Hall

**Sunday School, 9:45 AM**, Children 4 yrs-2nd grade, Room 11-12 under the Sanctuary; Adult class, Session Room (Room 134, upper level)

**Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM**, Sanctuary

**Advent Workshops, 12 NOON - 2:00 PM**

**Ushers**: \*Monty Montgomery, David Garland, Dru Rothrock

**Liturgist**: Denny Casey

**Monday, November 18**

**Presbyterian Women, 10:30 AM**, Fellowship Hall

**Congregational Supper, 6:00 PM**, Fellowship Hall

**Committee Meetings, 7:00 PM**

**Tuesday, November 19**

**Agape Ministry, 12:00 NOON**, Session Room

**Wednesday, November 20**

**Sanctuary Ringers, 5:45 PM**, Handbell Room

For a complete calendar of what's happening at FPC Martinsville, visit our website: [www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/calendar.cfm](http://www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/calendar.cfm).

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**Up Coming Family Events**



**Saturday, November 9**

Several of our youth (**Norah Cundiff, Sienna King, Jack Kirby**) will be performing in **Frozen Jr.** at PHCC **November 7-10**. We will plan to go as a group on **Saturday November 9 for the 2:00 p.m.** performance. Tickets are \$15. If you would like to go, please call the church office or Sam ([sfsmith@mail.roanoke.edu](mailto:sfsmith@mail.roanoke.edu) or 276-224-2811), deadline to register is 5:00 p.m. on Monday, November 4.

**PLEASE NOTE, AS OF TODAY FROZEN jr. HAS SOLD OUT FOR ALL SHOWS!**

**Sunday, November 17, 12-2 PM**, Advent Workshop and Sandwich Luncheon

Please contact Sam Smith at ([sfsmith@mail.roanoke.edu](mailto:sfsmith@mail.roanoke.edu) or [276-224-2811](tel:276-224-2811)) if you are interested or need more information.

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### Prayer Requests

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

Ken Ashley, Doc Altizer, Carl and Georgette Bishop, Marilyn Bremner (S. Ford), Jason Brown (Nancy Brown's grandson), Jim Brunt (N. Davis' brother), Dot Bryson, David Chittum, Evelyn Clark, Tommy Cobb (M. Dunn), Ron Ferrill (Sandra Ford), Daniel Handy, Helen Hawkes, Jean Hill, Anne Holland (sister of Pearl Minter), Betty Hudson, Betty Carol Lamm, Eddie Levi, Laura Stevens Milton, Regenia Noel (M. Stevens), Ed Pace, Anne Jordan Penn (B. Tatum), Anne Peterson, Walt Seamon, Wayne Simmons (Marge Dunn), C J Swinney (grandson of Deborah Blankenship; great-grandson of Pearl Minter), Brenda Williams, Roger Williams (V. Esarey), persecuted Christians and all troops in defense of freedom throughout the world.



Please submit prayer requests to Rita in the church office, (276) 632-3431, [office@fpcmartinsvilleVA.org](mailto:office@fpcmartinsvilleVA.org).

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### La Posada

We regret to inform you that due to scheduling conflicts, La Posada will not take place this year.

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### Happenings Beyond our Community

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**RENEW**  
CONFERENCE 2019

FINDING YOUR PLACE IN THE  
*Father's Affection*

Featuring Wm. Paul Young  
Author of *The Shack*

Saturday » November 2 » 9am – 2pm  
108 Melinda Drive, Lynchburg

Tickets are \$18  
Enjoy a light breakfast and lunch  
Register online at [EventBrite](#)  
Sponsored by [Altavista Presbyterian Church](#)

Session topics include

- *Wholeness*
- ▲ *The Trinity*
- *Reconciliation*

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# SAVE THE DATE

November 21, 2019

Presbytery Meeting at Covenant PC, Roanoke

9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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## *Please remember*

### **Corn Bread Mix for Grace Network**

Our assignment for Grace Network's food pantry for October, November and December, is **CORN BREAD MIX (i.e. Jiffy)**. Please include plastic grocery bags with your donation. Deodorant, toothpaste, bath soap, feminine products, dish detergent, laundry detergent, and toilet paper are also distributed to food pantry clients. Personal care and household items are also needed at the SSRC shelter (former Rainbow House/CAFV). Boxes for donations to both ministries are in the church hallways.

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### Our Mission

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

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[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/)

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Clerk: Nancy Baker

Treasurer: Henry Moore

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Paul Cannaday: Mission/Outreach

Teri Ferguson: Worship

Susan Pilson: Congregational Care

**Class of 2020**

Denny Casey: Communications

Ron Rebman: Administration

Kym Tatum: Fellowship

**Class of 2021**

Ed Pace: Facilities

Lynn Pritchett: Stewardship

Monica Stevens: Christian Education

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2020: Milton Davis, Duke Ferrell

2021: David Garland, Ed Linker

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