

September 29, 2019



Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA



Grace Network Pumpkin Patch

It's that time again!! Pumpkins will arrive at the pumpkin patch at **8:00 AM** on Saturday, **September 28** and we will need as much help as possible unloading. If you have any questions, please contact Tracy Hinchcliff at [276 403-4222](tel:2764034222).

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Congregational Meeting

There will be a **Congregational Meeting**, **Sunday, September 29** following the 11:00 AM service to elect new officers for the class of 2022. Nominees are **Betty Hudson, Pamela Rakes, and Brooke Cundiff** for elder, and **Joan Montgomery and Ashby Pritchett** for trustees. Please plan on attending this very important meeting.



World Communion Sunday

We will have World Communion Sunday on **October 6 at 10:00 AM** at First Presbyterian Church. This will be a combined service.

A reception will be held following the service and we are in need of the following types of finger foods: *sandwiches, ham biscuits, nuts, cheese straw bites, bite size desserts, etc.* If you are able to help by providing some type of pick up food, please contact Judy Ware, 336 601-2316, je_ware@yahoo.com or Susan Pilson, 276 340-7288, susanpilson@gmail.com.

What's Happening at FPC

Thursday, September 26

Praise Band practice, 7:00 PM

Friday, September 27

Lion King Junior, 4:00 PM, Carlisle School

Saturday, September 28

Grace Network, 8:00 AM, Pumpkins Arrive at the patch

Lion King Junior, 1:00 PM, Carlisle School

Sunday, September 29

Congregational Meeting

Unlock/Lock up: Johnny Pinkard/Denny Casey

Contemporary Worship, 8:30 AM, Chapel

Fellowship & Refreshments, 9:30 AM, Chapel

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: Jerri DeVault

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 & 11:00 AM

The Service for the Lord's Day, September 29, 2019

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Ordinary Time)

Scripture Lessons

1 Timothy 6:6-19 and Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16

Sermon by Mark Hinchcliff

"The Source of all Things Good"

Full text of lectionary readings

www.presbyterianmission.org/devotion/revised-common-lectionary/

More Happenings

Monday, September 30

Session Meeting, 7:00 PM, Session Room

Tuesday, October 1

Cooks Who Care, 9:45 AM & 5:30 PM, Marge Dunn Kitchen. Volunteers are needed to prepare and package meals for those in need. Contact Judy Ware, 336 601-2316, je_ware@yahoo.com, for more information.

Wednesday, October 2

Chancel Choir, 7:00 PM, Choir Room

Thursday, October 3

Praise Band practice, 7:00 PM

Sunday, October 6



World Communion Sunday

Unlock/Lock up: Neil Tatum/Duke Ferrell

Combined Service, 10:00 AM, Sanctuary

Reception, Following Service, Fellowship Hall

Ushers: *Monty Montgomery, David Garland, Bill Manning, Dru Rothrock

Liturgist: Victoria Esarey

Monday, October 7

Extended Table, 2:00 PM, King's Grant

Servers: Nancy Davis & Ron Rebman

Tuesday, October 8

Library Committee, 10:00 AM, Library

Wednesday, October 9

Chancel Choir, 7:00 PM, Choir Room

For a complete calendar of what's happening at FPC Martinsville, visit our

website: www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/calendar.cfm.



Some of our youth will be performing in local productions of Lion King Jr. Please come out and support these burgeoning actors!

Venues and show dates are:

Carlisle School: September 27 at 4:00 PM and September 28 at 1:00 PM. Performing in this production are **Riley Wood** and **Will Kirby**.

Laurel Park Middle School: October 11 and 12 at 7:00 PM, October 13 at 3:00 PM. Performing in this production are **Caroline Kirby** and **Cole Tatum**.

Please join us for a fun filled day of fall activity!!!



FAMILY EVENT!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

**Leave from FPC at 9:30 AM
to ride the bus or to caravan.**

General Admission is \$10

(age 2 and under are FREE)

Pets welcome (on leash)

Call the church office to sign up.

Harvest Ridge Farm is located at
545 Service Road, Ruffin, NC 27326



We wanted to share a letter received recently from the parent of a weekday school student as it shows just how special and valued these teachers are. If you happen to run into any of them, please take a moment to thank them for all they do for these kids!



"The kind of affection the teachers show to our kids is remarkable.

I have seen my daughter growing so well that I couldn't resist putting my younger daughter to the same school.

I really love the homely atmosphere the teachers and very staff members of the school provide to my kids....

the efforts Miss Liz has been putting to make the kids learn is amazing. Everyday we are provided with inputs what the kids have been doing at the school and what new things they are learning.....Miss Marlee.....has also being doing a splendid job in taking care of my 2 year old.....And lastly, Miss Mary.....she too has been my kids favorite. And has been doing a very good job.

The drop offs are also so convenient for the parents. And love the cheerful faces everyday, be it a chilled winter or a sunny day. It not only makes kids more welcoming and enthusiastic for there day, but to parents as well. I would like to thank each one of you for such a spectacular job you guys have been doing. Well done.

Thanks,
A happy parent.

Volunteer Opportunities!



The Martinsville Community Collaborative is a wonderful annual event that is sponsored by Liberty University College of Osteopathic Medicine, Averett University, Virginia Dental Foundation and many community partners. This event provides a day of medical, dental and resource services for anyone in our community that is underserved.

This is the 5th year of helping our community connect with medical and dental services and to provide the ability to connect them to a medical home with many insurance options.

This particular day, all of the services are free of charge and anyone is welcome to come.

No appointment needed

The event will take place **on Saturday, November 2, 2019 at the Uptown Ministry Center behind Rania's Restaurant from 8-3pm**. There will be over 100 medical, nursing and dental students and faculty to provide these free services. We are looking for friendly people to serve by escorting our clients throughout the clinic. These individuals will be our **navigators** and they will work in two shifts. One shift will be **6:30am – 12 noon** and the second will be **11am- 5pm**. We will also need **Lead Navigators** that stay all day to help manage the volunteers throughout the day.

Lead Navigators will be provided a free meal at lunchtime.

This is such a great way to serve our community and you will be able to document community hours if needed.

If you are interested in being a navigator or a lead navigator, please contact Tracy Hinchcliff at **403-4222** or tracy.hinchcliff@gracenetnetworkmhc.org.
You don't have to have a medical background, just a friendly smile and servant heart!



Happy Birthday in October

- 1 Shane Pinkston
- 5 John Abercrombie, Nancy Baker
- 6 Jane Ford
- 9 Cole Tatum
- 10 Grey Ferguson
- 11 Fran Hensley, Richard Lawhon
- 14 Walt Seamon

- 15 Joe Smith
- 16 Emily Kelly, Liz Knighton
- 18 Betty Hendricks
- 19 Mike Ware
- 21 Mary Page
- 23 Helen Hawkes, Nancy Brown

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, Kimberly Bryson, Evelyn Clark, Tommy Cobb (M. Dunn), Janet Cox, Sandra Bryson Cox, Angela Denney (niece of Cynthia Dobrinski), Ron Ferrill (Sandra Ford), Daniel Handy, Helen Hawkes, Jean Hill, Anne Holland (sister of Pearl Minter), Betty Carol Lamm, Eddie Levi, Laura Stevens Milton, Regenia Noel (M. Stevens), Ed Pace, Amy Bryson Peck, Anne Jordan Penn (B. Tatum), Anne Peterson, Walt Seamon, C J Swinney (grandson of Deborah Blankenship; great-grandson of Pearl Minter), 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.

Happenings Beyond our Community

SAVE THE DATE

Presbyterian Women Presbytery of the Peaks

31st Annual Gathering
Saturday, September 28, 2019
Raleigh Court Presbyterian Church
1837 Grandin Road, SW
Roanoke, VA 24015

9:00 a.m. – Registration, meet-and-greet, refreshments
10:00 a.m. – Gathering begins
11:30 a.m. – Break - refreshments, visit displays and vendors
12:15 p.m. - Gathering resumes
1:30 p.m. - Gathering concludes

THEME: "Reflect, Refresh, Renew"

Speaker – Jennifer Brothers, Licensed Professional Counselor;
Co-founder and President of House of Bread, Roanoke;
Final-year Master of Divinity Student at Union Presbyterian Seminary

Come and learn how to make time for Sabbath rest and how you might live a
rhythm of work and rest every day.

"Handbags for Hope" project concludes at the Gathering. If you wish to donate, please bring clean, slightly
used handbags or new handbags. Please put a couple of toiletries in a plastic zip bag inside the handbag. Do
not include any money or food. Handbags will be donated to charities and organizations that serve women.

We look forward to having a fun day with you on September 28!

If you have questions, please contact Diane Patty, Vice Moderator,
at dpatty@vt.edu.



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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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INTERESTED IN ACCOMPANIMENT? JOIN LEARN & DISCERN FALL

2019!

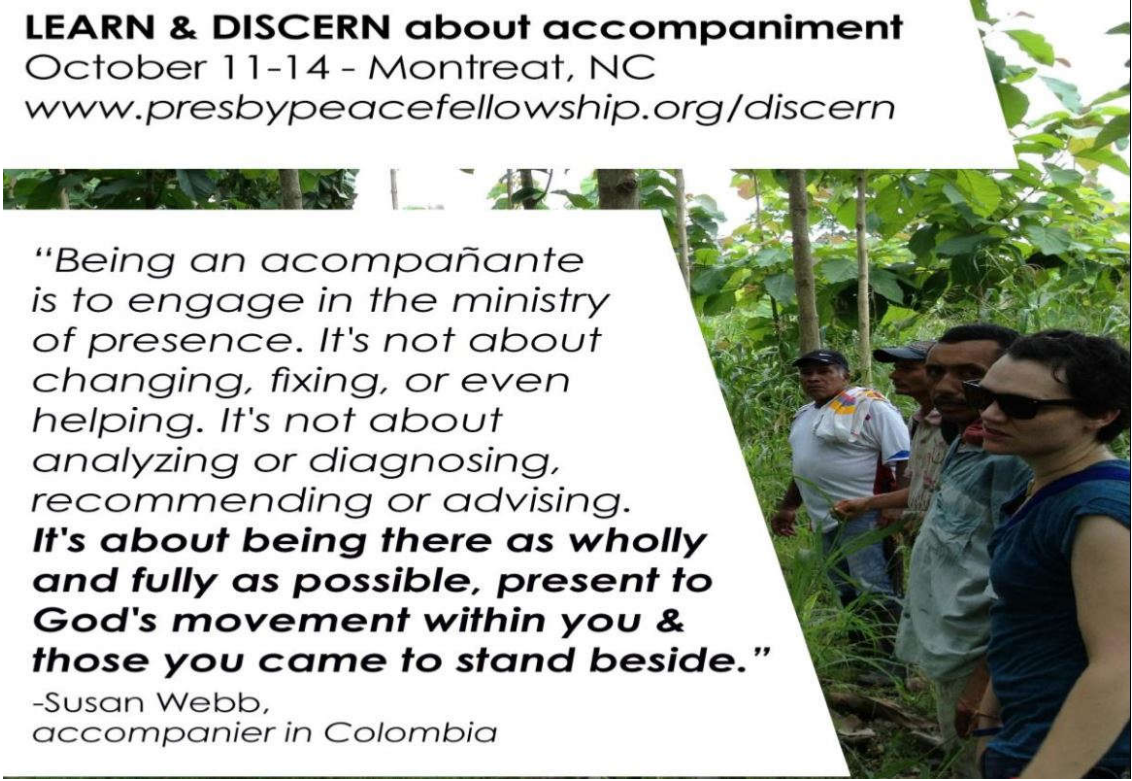
Accompaniment begins with a long weekend of training and discernment in the U.S — PPF Learn & Discern takes place twice a year, and it's never too early to sign up! For more information, please click on the link

here: <https://www.presbypeacefellowship.org/discern/discern/>

LEARN & DISCERN about accompaniment

October 11-14 - Montreat, NC

www.presbypeacefellowship.org/discern



*“Being an acompañante is to engage in the ministry of presence. It's not about changing, fixing, or even helping. It's not about analyzing or diagnosing, recommending or advising. **It's about being there as wholly and fully as possible, present to God's movement within you & those you came to stand beside.**”*

*-Susan Webb,
accompanier in Colombia*

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.

Our Mission

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

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

Useful Links

FPC website: www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/ or www.fpcmartinsvilleVA.org/

FPC online directory: members.instantchurchdirectory.com/

FPC Facebook page: www.facebook.com/FPCMartinsvilleVA

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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Class of 2020

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Class of 2021

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