

February 4, 2018



Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

Correction

Pregnancy Care Center Open House is February 24

[Editor's Note: We apologize that the previously announced date was incorrect.]

Dr. Chuck Marshall (a 60-year member of FPC!) and the rest of the board of Pregnancy Care Center invite everyone to their open house

on **Saturday, February 24, from 2:00 to 4:00 PM**, at the center at **314 Fairy Street Ext., Suite E**. Pregnancy Care Center is a faith-based ministry that offers pregnancy testing, ultrasounds, peer-counseling, parenting classes, Bible studies, post-abortion counseling, and material assistance such as maternity clothes, baby clothes and supplies, to women and their partners who are dealing with unplanned pregnancies. Come see the work they do! Light refreshments will be served.



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What's Happening at FPC

Thursday, February 1

Praise Band, 7:00 PM, Chapel

Inclement Weather Policy: Check TV stations WDBJ-7 or WSLS-10 for cancellation information. If it snows, the pastor and chairs of the facilities and worship committees will make a decision about services. If the Steeple Views editor is notified in time, you may get an email or see it on the church website.

Communion Sunday, Feb. 4

Unlock: Johnny Pinkard

Communion Prep/Clean-up: Chaney

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)

Chancel Choir, 10:30 AM, Choir Room, warm-up before service

Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Ushers: *Monty Montgomery, Milt Davis, Nancy Davis, Joan Montgomery

Liturgist: Grayson Russell

Communion Servers: *Teri Ferguson, +Nancy Baker, Dru Rothrock, David Garland, Manly Boyd, Judy Ware, Bill Kirby, Sharon Kirby

Lock up: Monty Montgomery

Extended Table: Pearl Minter, Johnny Pinkard

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 11:00 service after the Time with Young Disciples.

The Service for the Lord's Day, February 4, 2018

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany (Ordinary Time)

Scripture Lessons

Isaiah 40:21-31; 1 Corinthians 9:16-23

Sermon by Rev. Mark Hinchcliff

"Renewed Strength, Wait For It!"

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Additional Lectionary Readings for Sunday

Psalm 147:1-11, 20c; Mark 1:29-39

Full text of lectionary readings

<https://www.presbyterianmission.org/devotion/revised-common-lectionary/>

Monday, February 5

Presbyterian Women, 10:30 AM, Fellowship Hall

Extended Table, 2:00 PM, King's Grant, Joan and Monty Montgomery

GPS, 3:00 PM, Music and Christian Education for grades K-8

Tuesday, Feb. 6

Cooks Who Care, 9:45 AM & 5:30 PM, Marge Dunn Kitchen. Volunteers are needed to prepare and package meals for those in need.

Steeple Views Deadline, 4:00 PM. Please email information to Gael Chaney, stepleviews@fpcmartinsvilleva.org.

Wednesday, Feb. 7

Sanctuary Ringers, 5:45 PM, Handbell Room

Chancel Choir, 7:00 PM, Choir Room. New singers are welcome to join!

Thursday, Feb. 8

Praise Band, 7:00 PM, Chapel

Transfiguration Sunday, Feb. 11

Unlock: Neil Tatum

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)

Chancel Choir, 10:30 AM, Choir Room, warm-up before service

Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Ushers: *Monty Montgomery, Jeri DeVault, Joe DeVault, Bob Clark

Liturgist: Lynn Pritchett

Lock up: Milt Davis

Valentine Cookie Project, 12:15 PM, hallway outside Fellowship Hall

Chamber Music Concert, 3:00 PM, Walker Theatre, Patrick Henry Community

College, \$10 adults, \$5 students

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

This Week

Presbyterian Women & Cooks Who Care

Monday, February 5

Presbyterian Women's Circle, 10:30 AM, Fellowship Hall. Refreshments, fellowship, and Bible study. The lesson will cover chapters 5 and 6 in the workbook to make up for the lesson missed due to snow last month. All women are invited!



Tuesday, February 6

Cooks Who Care, 9:45 AM and 5:30 PM

Marge Dunn Kitchen. Chefs this month are Bonny Pace and Judy Ware. Volunteers of all kinds are needed: help cook, package meals, or deliver meals. We begin with a devotional at 9:45 AM, then spend the morning cooking. The meals are packaged for delivery or freezing during the 5:30 PM session. For more information, contact

Judy Ware (666-2269, je_ware@yahoo.com).

Valentine Cookie Project

Attention Parents of College Students!

If your son or daughter who is in college or away at boarding school would like to receive a box of Valentine treats from the church, please call or email the church office **by Friday, February 9**, and give us their **mailing address for receiving packages** (sometimes this is different from letters).



Calling Bakers and Packers!

Please help by baking bar cookies (any variety) or donating individually wrapped Valentine candy for the Valentine cookie boxes. Boxes will be packed on **Sunday, February 11**, immediately after the 11 o'clock service.

Coming Soon

Supper, Breakfast, & Presbytery

Monday, February 12

Congregational Supper, 6:00 PM, Fellowship Hall, hosted by the Worship

Committee. Menu: Soup, Salad, Bread, Desserts
Committee meetings, 7:00 PM, various rooms

Saturday, February 17

Free Community Breakfast, 7:00 AM, Kitchen & Fellowship Hall, serving our neighbors from 8:00 to 9:30 AM

Presbytery of the Peaks quarterly meeting, 9:00 AM–4:00 PM, Second Roanoke, 214 Mountain Avenue, SW

Music for Romance

Chamber Music Concert with FPC Connections

Sunday, February 11, 3:00 PM



Just in time for Valentine's Day, the Chamber Music Ensemble and the Smith River Singers are coming together to serenade Martinsville with a bouquet of love songs on **Sunday, February 11, at 3:00 PM, in Patrick Henry Community College's Walker Fine Arts Theatre.**

The Chamber Music Ensemble is a company of professional, collegiate, and community musicians led by FPC's Contemporary Music Director Deborah

Burgess, and including violinist Virginia King. Smith River Singers is Martinsville's community choir and includes some of our own singers.

The concert will feature love songs from a variety of genres including, musical theater, television and movies, and hits from pop music. With a Russian flute aria, a Saxophone solo, a country-styled Lover's Waltz, and many others, the ensemble will explore the musical expressions of romance.

Tickets will be available at the door. Adult tickets are \$10. Student tickets are \$5. For more information contact PHCC at 638-8777 or Deborah Burgess at burgessd@ntelos.net.

Joint Community Services

Beginning of Lent Ash Wednesday Service February 14, 12:00 Noon



Service includes optional imposition of ashes, at Christ Episcopal Church. FPC's Pastor Mark will deliver the message, and a light lunch of soup and bread will be served. There will also be a service at the same time at First United Methodist Church without lunch.

Tuesday Lenten Lunches and Devotionals 12:00 Noon

February 20, at Starling Avenue Baptist Church, devotional by Rev. Mark Parkinson (Broad St. Christian)

February 27, at First Presbyterian Church, devotional by Rev. Ashley Harrington or Rev. Brian Harrington (Starling Ave. BC)

March 6, at Calvary Christian Church, devotional by Rev. Keith Ritchie (FUMC)



March 13, at Broad Street Christian Church, devotional by Rev. Mike Carrow (Calvary CC)

March 20, at First United Methodist Church, devotional by Fr. Nick Hull (Christ Episcopal)

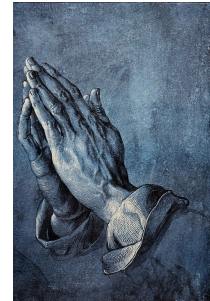
Best Wishes and Congratulations

to Jennifer Eden and Jason Dailey who were married on December 31, 2017, in Mt. Pleasant, SC. Jennifer is the daughter of the late Clark and Lee Eden and grew up in our congregation.



Prayer Concerns

The following members and friends of our congregation need our prayers: Doc Altizer, Walter Anderson, Sonny and Sue Benfield, Catherine Bridges, Jim Brunt (N. Davis' brother), Dot Bryson, Grant Bryson, Kimberly Bryson, Bud Buffkin, Elaine Button, Evelyn Clark, Tommy Cobb (M. Dunn), Janet Cox, Sandra Bryson Cox, Lynn and Gene Daugherty (C. Kropp), Victoria Esarey, Gary Francisco (Shanna King's father), Jean Hill, Jeannie Hinchie (D. Bryson), Regenia Noel (M. Stevens), Ed Pace, Amy Bryson Peck, Anne Peterson, Barbara Regen, Ralph Shank, Jr., Betty and Gene Stanley, Jane Townsend, Sarah V. Wells, Roger Williams (V. Esarey), persecuted Christians and all troops in defense of freedom throughout the world.



Peaks Presbytery Prayer Focus

- **Campbell Memorial Presbyterian Church**, located in the Roanoke Valley Neighborhood, led by **Rev. Jamie Smith**
- **Clifton Forge P. C.**, located in the Highlands Neighborhood, led by **Rev. Paul Brokaw**
- **Blacksburg P. C.**, located in the New River Valley Neighborhood, is led by **Rev. Catherine Taylor**
- **Dick Boswell, Missional CRE**, who is the Presbytery 2018 Moderator and will preside over the first Presbytery meeting of the year in February
- **Rev. Will Robinson**, who is Vice Moderator and serves at Salem Presbyterian Church

Please submit prayer requests to Rita in the church office (276-632-3431, office@fpcmartinsvilleva.org).

Help Wanted

Grace Network Needs Volunteers

Our partner Grace Network, a community faith-based crisis response ministry, needs some very special volunteers to pick up donated perishable food from area grocery stores.

Volunteer job involves:



- Spending approximately two hours on one or more days a week, Monday through Thursday
- Being able to lift 50 pounds repeatedly
- Owning a vehicle that can carry up to four 48-quart coolers (pickup truck is preferable)
- Retrieving the coolers, thermal blanket, and ID lanyard from Grace Network
- Going to designated store, loading food in coolers or covering boxes with thermal blanket
- Maintaining a friendly relationship with our grocery partners
- Returning to Grace Network and unloading food, weighing and putting it in refrigerators or freezers
- Cleaning out coolers and putting up coolers and thermal blanket.

Contact Tracy Hinchcliff, Executive Director of Grace Network (403-4222), if you are interested in serving or have questions.

Please remember

Saltine Crackers for Grace Network

Our assignment for Grace Network's food pantry for January through March is **saltine crackers in the 16-ounce box**. Deodorant, toothpaste, bath soap, feminine products, dish detergent, laundry detergent, and toilet paper are also distributed to food pantry clients. These 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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