

**August 20, 2020**



# Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

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Be sure to join the Facebook live worship service this Sunday at 10 AM. The info will be sent via text message and will include the link to the service. You may also join by navigating to our Facebook page, scrolling down to the "videos" section of the page and simply clicking on the video at 10 AM.

## "Unlikely Heroes"

Based upon Exodus 1:8—2:10 and Romans 12:1-8

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## **Community Breakfast Saturday, August 22!**

Our free community breakfast is this **SATURDAY, August 22** in a to-go drive-thru format.

Volunteers are needed beginning at 7 am to cook & prepare the food, volunteers are also needed to pack & hand out the meals.

Breakfast starts at 8 AM - Brook will provide further instruction on Saturday.

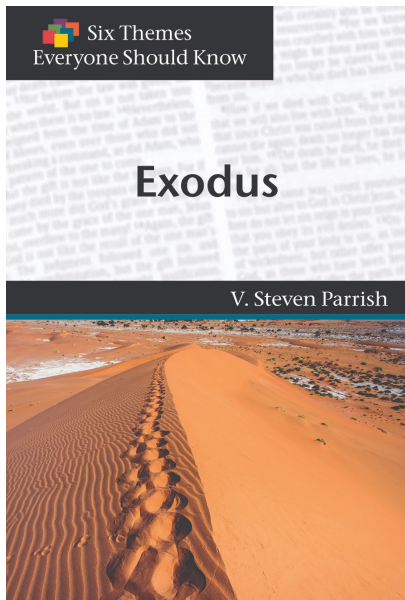
Volunteers will only be in the kitchen coming through the kitchen's back door and all food and people entering and leaving from there.

To maintain social distancing, we'll only have about 4-5 volunteers at a time.

If you are available to help with one or both tasks, please contact **Brooke Cundiff** ([276 340-6124](tel:2763406124)).

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## Adult Sunday School



Join us for the next adult Sunday school class beginning **August 23**.

***(excerpt from the PCUSA bookstore webpage)***

“The story of the Exodus has emboldened oppressed people for centuries. In it, God empowers human striving for freedom. Steven Parrish introduces six themes that reveal the character of God. God listened to the captives’ suffering and responded. Through the wilderness, God sustained the people with food, water, and law. God promised to be present to the people. And God is merciful and gracious, as demonstrated in the golden calf episode. This volume includes material

for participants and guides for leading all six sessions.”

The class meets Sundays at 9:00 AM by Zoom. Contact Denny Casey [d.a.casey@comcast.net](mailto:d.a.casey@comcast.net) for a book and to get your Zoom invite.

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## August 20

**Red Cross Bloodmobile, Third Thursday of the month, 12:00–6:00 PM**, Elks Lodge, 300 Fairy Street. Our congregation supplies volunteers who check in donors and serve them at the canteen after they finish donating blood. Contact Nancy Baker, 638-7923, [nbaker08@comcast.net](mailto:nbaker08@comcast.net), if you can help.

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## Youth Sunday School

**Monday evenings from 6-** – The Youth will now be meeting on Youth Ministry 7pm still on **Zoom**. For the next few weeks, we will be doing **Virtual Netta!** Massanetta's Youth Conference has moved online for this summer with video collections of energizers, games, theme skits, and keynotes!

If your middle or high school child would like to join us, now would be a great time to, please contact me for an invite link to the Zoom meeting.

Sam Smith  
Director of Youth and Family Ministries  
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## Presbytery of the Peaks

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



[https://www.peakspresbytery.org/images/2020\\_Peaks\\_Postings/PP\\_Aug18\\_2020.pdf](https://www.peakspresbytery.org/images/2020_Peaks_Postings/PP_Aug18_2020.pdf)

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## Prayer Requests

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

Doc Altizer, Carl and Georgette Bishop, Marilyn Bremner (S. Ford), Jim Brunt (N. Davis' brother), Tommy Cobb (M. Dunn), Sandra Bryson Cox, Mallory Hall-DeSantis (B. Tatum), Daniel Handy, Helen Hawkes, Anne Holland (sister of Pearl Minter), Betty Carol Lamm, Eddie Levi, Mary Manning, Laura Stevens Milton, Regenia Noel (M. Stevens), Anne Peterson, Gavin Russell, Gene Stanley, Charlotte Walker (JoAnne Sanders' mother), Tracy Hinchcliff, 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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*Please remember*

## **Assorted Canned Veggies (Veg-all)**

The new food item for First Presbyterian Church for the 3rd quarter is **canned assorted veggies**. Please consider donating extra when you are able to get out and about as your donations will become more important than ever.

Please stay safe, stay healthy and please keep us in your prayers as we navigate these uncharted waters.

### ***Hygiene Items - We are always in need of these items!***

**JULY** Toilet Paper, Feminine Products, Deodorant

**AUGUST** Toilet Paper, Bath Soap, Toothpaste

**SEPTEMBER** Dish Detergent, Deodorant, Laundry Detergent

*\*Items may be brought to church but please call the office to make sure Rita is there. Alternatively, you may drop off at Grace Network, Monday - Friday, 9-2 PM*

Blessings, Tracy

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### **A Note from the the Editor**

Although regular church services have been cancelled and we are no longer meeting in person, I hope we all try to stay in touch with one another using any possible medium. Phone calls, face time, emails, etc. It is important that we look after one another during these difficult times and it's good to know we are not alone. While there are no regular happenings to report on, I would like to send out Steeple Views on a weekly basis so please feel free to share any news or updates with me and I will do my best to include them in the newsletter. [skirbycwj@gmail.com](mailto:skirbycwj@gmail.com) or 276 806-9709.

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### **Our Mission**

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

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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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