

**July 17, 2025**



# *Steeple Views*

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

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## **Pastor's Corner**

**Pastor Bea Miller**

Dear First Presbyterian family,

Sunday was absolutely perfect! Thank you!!! Thank you for making our space and time together beautiful. Thank you for the joy you brought to the room and on-line. Thank you for making wonderful food and arranging beautiful flowers. But mostly, thank you for being you!!! I am blessed to be among you and to be in ministry with you!!!

We felt the Spirit with us Sunday. The Spirit brought us together and the Spirit is enlivening our life as God's church in this place and time. God is giving us meaning and purpose, while fueling our Holy Imaginations with possibilities. We are living into God given possibilities. And as long as we remain open to the guidance of the Spirit, our possibilities are endless. All shall be well.

Peace be with you,

Pastor Bea

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Please join us for worship this sixth Sunday after Pentecost at 10:00 AM

**Sermon by pastor Bea**

based upon Luke 10:38-42 and Psalm 15

**Liturgist:** Barbara Duncan

**Ushers/Greeters:** Billy and Sharon Kirby

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## **Liturgist Schedule**

### **July**

20 Barbara Duncan

27 Duke Ferrell

### **August**

3 Cindy Edgerton

10 \*\*no liturgist needed\*\*

17 Sharon Kirby

24 Mary Linker

31 Liz Ferrell

### **September**

7 Ione Linker

14 \*\*no liturgist needed\*\*

21 Billy Kirby

28 Pearl Minter

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## CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9:30am - 3pm

Friday CLOSED

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

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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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**\*\*\*Steepleviews will not be published the weeks of 7/28 and 8/4\*\*\***

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**\*\*\*** We are currently looking for music subs for our worship services until we

are able to hire a new music director. If they only play piano that will be fine. If you have a suggestion of someone that might be interested, please contact **Janet Fentress** ([276 618-0153](tel:276-618-0153)) or **Judy King** ([276 340-8101](tel:276-340-8101)). \*\*\*

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**Community Breakfast - Saturday, July 19th.** Cooking begins at 7:00 AM and breakfast is served from 8:00 - 9:30 AM. Brooke Cundiff and her family are our team leaders. 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 help cook, serve, or clean. Volunteers are always needed and appreciated.

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**Community Worship:**

**August 10** Forest Hills

**September 14** Grace

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**Our church is once again the host site for the Martinsville-Henry County After 3 Summer Camp** sponsored by P&HCC. This program will run **Monday through Friday, 7:45 AM to 6:00 PM, June 9th-July 18th** (no camp the week of June 30th- July 4th). They will also be off site the week of June 23 to allow FPC to get ready to host the Presbytery meeting on June 26th. They will be using multiple areas of the building including the fellowship hall and kitchen. Please keep this in mind if you schedule meetings or activities.

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***Happy Birthday in July!***

**2** William Seamon  
**4** Ben Pinkston  
**5** Paul Cannaday, Samuel Smith  
**8** Dyer Pace  
**12** Heidi Pinkston  
**15** Dick Pilson  
**17** Jerri DeVault  
**18** Ashby Pinkard, Duke Ferrell  
**20** Connor Wotring  
**21** Sienna King  
**23** Anne M. Lackey  
**26** Tom Martin  
**27** Laura Stevens  
**28** Madison Sanders



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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 **Susan Pilson**.

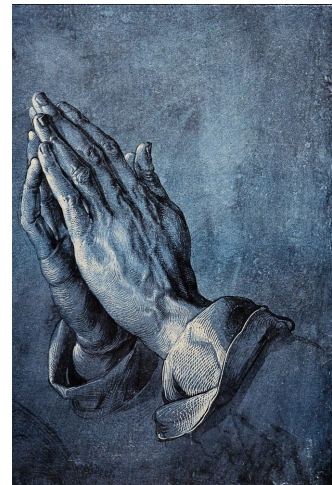
If you are in need of prayer, a meal, transportation, etc...due to a death in the family or the birth of a baby, please reach out to the Congregational Care and Fellowship committee by contacting **Susan** at [276 340-7288](tel:2763407288).

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

### PRAYER CONCERNS

Anne Abercrombie, Sue Benfield, Jackie Bloxom (P. Stanley), Bud Buffkin, Anna Beth Burton (L. & D. Ferrell), Evelyn Cannaday, Joel Christman (B. Stanley), April Cox (B. Tatum), Nancy Davis, Marge Dunn, Martin Ford, Doug Goldstein, Marvin Hudson, Jamelle Waid Linker (Ed Linker's daughter-in-law), Mary Manning, Jackie McLachlan, Maggie Pilson, Rusty Reaser, Cecil Robbins, Susan Rosser, Becky Stone Sawyers (L. Pritchett), Dee Moore Smith, Laura Stevens, Scott Stevens, Bruce Thomas, Angela Calaman Troxell (F. & F. Childress), Carl Utley, Tammy Tucker Wardinski, Jodi White (sister of P. Marshall/G. Chaney), persecuted Christians, military service men and women, missionaries, refugees and immigrants forced to flee their countries, and families and areas devastated by severe weather.



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## Grace Network Donations

[3rd quarter 2025 food donation item is Applesauce 24 - 32oz OR 6 count, 4oz cups](#)



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 (dozen 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) and text [276 806-9709](tel:276-806-9709)

We reserve the right to edit all submissions. Sharon Kirby, Editor

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<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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[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](https://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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## **THE SESSION**

Clerk: Liz Ferrell

Treasurer: Henry Moore

### **Class of 2025**

Ron Rebman: Mission/Outreach

Janet Fentress: Worship

Monica Stevens: Christian Education

### **Class of 2026**

Billy Kirby: Administration

Susan Pilson: Congregational Care and Fellowship

Anne Madonia: Think Tank

### **Class of 2027**

Nancy Moore: Stewardship

Johnny Pinkard: Facilities

Judy King: Worship (co-chair)

## **TRUSTEES**

2025: William Kirby, Gale Legg

2026: Sharon Kirby, Dru Rothrock

2027: Duke Ferrell, Joe Williams

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