

July 24, 2025



Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

Pastor's Corner

Pastor Bea Miller

Dear First Presbyterian family,

We are coming to Martinsville ~ Mom, Bridget (my dog), me, and mom's dog too. It will probably be spring before the move happens, but everything is in place. Today mom is picking out cabinets and flooring for her apartment at King's Grant. And as of last week, I have a contract on the perfect house for me in Martinsville. But we all have to wait until Spring to be settled.

While we wait, I hope you will help me learn about my new hometown. Family trees and maps are helpful. Y'all are connected in so many ways, it will take time for me to learn all the connections and history. So far, I do know that two families live close to my new home ~ and I'm sure there are more.

I am blessed to call you family and to call Martinsville home. Thank you for being connected to me and my family!

Peace be with you,

Pastor Bea



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

Sermon by Pastor Bea

based upon Luke 11:1-13 and Psalm 138

Liturgist: Duke Ferrell

Ushers/Greeters: Johnny and Ashby Pinkard

Liturgist Schedule

July

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

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.

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.



*****Steepleviews will not be published the weeks of 7/28 and 8/4*****

Meet **Angela Price**. Angela will be providing cleaning services for First



Presbyterian Church. She is a native of Martinsville and is the mother of two children. She loves Jesus, loves to laugh, and enjoys meeting new people. If you happen to run into Angela, please introduce yourself!

*** 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:2766180153)) or **Judy King** ([276 340-8101](tel:2763408101)). ***

Community Worship:

August 10 Forest Hills

September 14 Grace

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.

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

August

2 Dwight Christenbury
3 Marjorie Dunn
4 Rita Bateman
5 Bob Richeson
6 Walt Flythe, Jr.
9 John Luther, Liz Ferrell
10 Frances Bledsoe
11 Melissa Wingfield
12 Beth Lawson
13 Chuck Cundiff
17 Maggie Pilson
21 Bill Stone, Cindy Franck
22 Johnny Pinkard, Kym Tatum, Patsy Stanley
23 Anne Abercrombie
29 Joe Williams, Stuart Beard
30 Josie Louise Crimmins

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).

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.



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. For time sensitive announcements, please send to skirbycwj@gmail.com and text [276 806-9709](tel:2768069709)

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



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<https://www.peakspresbytery.org/peaks-postings/>

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 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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