

June 12, 2025



Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

Pastor's Corner
Pastor Bea Miller

Dear First Presbyterian family,

Wow!! The church and grounds look amazing. Thank you for all the hard work on Saturday! We have the greatest Facilities Team ever! And MORE than 15 of us came to help. We worked and talked and fellowshiped and some even ate cake. It was a grand morning. Thank you!

We need your help this Sunday. We have purchased new wireless microphones that need to be tested before Presbytery. So to help Peter test, during the Time with Young Disciples, I'll ask you to share brief stories about your father or the special men in your life. Happy Father's Day. Be thinking about what you'd like to share.

And it is time to register for Presbytery! This will be a short, interesting, fun Presbytery meeting. So, if you have ever thought about seeing your Presbytery in action, June 26th is the perfect time. This is how to register:

- 1) Go to peakspresbytery.org
- 2) At the top of the page click on "Resource" to see the pull-down menu
- 3) On the pull-down menu select "Presbytery Meeting Information"
- 4) Find words in blue "Register here" and click on the words
- 5) A Form will appear. Fill in the form with: email, first name, last name, church name
- 6) In the next section, click the box next to "Visitor"
- 7) Then in the next section, click the circle "Yes" for lunch. Lunch is Checkered Pig,
- 8) Finally, click the green SUBMIT button.

As a registered visitor, you can be on the floor. You will not be able to vote, but you can be in the room for THE VOTE. And we can all make a joyful noise when the vote goes our way! Please give me a call if you have any questions.

May Peace be with us all,

Pastor Bea



Please join us for worship this first Sunday after Pentecost, Trinity Sunday
at 10:00 AM

Sermon by Pastor Bea

Sermon by Pastor Bea based upon Romans 5:1-5 and Psalm 8

Liturgist: Randy Rollins

Ushers/Greeters: Bill & Suzan Kirby

Liturgist Schedule

June

22 Joe Williams

29 Taylor Shank

July

6 Gale Buck

13 Joe DeVault

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

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.



**Registration Opens
June 9th**

Our Next Presbytery Meeting
Thursday
June 26, 2025
IN-PERSON

Hosted by the Martinsville and Henry County
congregations
at
First Presbyterian Church, Martinsville

Note the format change!

As this will be Carl's final
Presbytery meeting as GP,
presbytery voted to meet in-
person rather than via Zoom.

Volunteers Needed: Presbytery of the Peaks Meeting on June 26!

First Presbyterian Church Martinsville is honored to host the upcoming **Presbytery of the Peaks Meeting on Thursday, June 26, 2025!** This special day will also include a celebration honoring **Carl Utley, the retiring Moderator of the Presbytery.** With around 200 people expected, we need everyone's help.

We're looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help make this event a smooth and welcoming experience for everyone. Please consider lending your time to one or more of these opportunities:

Volunteer Opportunities

- **Parking Attendants (4-6 people):** Direct attendees to available parking, building entrances for registration, and accessible parking.
 - *Time needed: 8:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.*
- **Registration (2 people):** Confirm pre-registrations and assist walk-in

attendees.

- *Time needed: 8:45 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.*
- **Lunch Ticket Sales (2 people):** Sell lunch tickets to attendees.
 - *Time needed: 8:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.*
- **Lunch Ticket Collectors (2 people):** Collect lunch tickets as attendees enter the dining area.
 - *Time needed: 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.*
- **Greeters (4 people):** Welcome attendees and direct them.
- **Morning Hostess (4 people):** Set up coffee, tea, water, and refreshments for the registration period.
 - *Time needed: 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.*
- **Lunch Hostess (4 people):** Set up the lunch buffet in Fellowship Hall.
 - *Time needed: 12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m.*
- **Clean Up Crew (8 people):** Help tidy up Fellowship Hall and the kitchen, and remove trash from the lower level.
 - *Time needed: 2:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.*

If you can assist with one or more of these vital roles, please advise **Liz Ferrell, Nancy Moore, or Susan Pilson** as soon as possible. Your support will help us extend a warm FPC Martinsville welcome to our Presbytery guests!

If you have information on graduates from our congregation, please notify the office and give us their information. We would like to recognize them in our next worship bulletin and in Steeple Views.

2025 Graduates

Hayden Cundiff - Martinsville HS

Gage Lawson - Magna Vista HS

Reid Lawson - Magna Vista HS

Gavin Luther - Martinsville HS, High Achiever Distinction (GPA 4.0 or higher)

Riley Wood - Carlisle; Plans: Baylor University, Major: Exercise Physiology

Kellene Wotring - Sweet Briar College, B.S. Environmental Science/Minor in Engineering

Briana Tatum - Virginia Tech, B.S. Marketing Management

Community Worship:

July 13 FPC Martinsville

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.

Attention First Presbyterian family:



Our church has had a long-time mission with the American Red Cross. The association between the two started many years ago, with Doris Marshall (Gael Chaney and Peter Marshall's mom), taking the lead. Years later, Mrs. Marshall passed the baton to Nancy Baker, who has faithfully led the mission since that time. We thank Nancy for her years of dedication, finding volunteers for the local bloodmobiles!

First Presbyterian provides assistance at the bloodmobile, held every third Thursday of the month at the Elks Club (next to the high school). Our job is to check in donors, then serve snacks as the donors prepare to leave. Currently, we need additional volunteers to replenish our group. The more groups we form, the less work for those involved. Please call me if you are interested. Every pint of blood collected can save up to three lives. Thank you for considering this worthwhile mission.

Ashby Pinkard [276 952-5827](tel:276-952-5827)

Community Breakfast



The community breakfast is **Saturday, June 21**. This month's leaders are Sharon and Billy Kirby. If you are available to help prepare, serve, clean or fellowship, please contact **Sharon** ([276 806-9709](tel:276-806-9709)).

Cooking begins at 7:00 AM and breakfast is served from 8:00 - 9:30

Happy Birthday in June!

1 Christopher Crimmins, Gage Lawson, Reid Lawson
3 Riley Wood
8 Shanna King
9 Susan Smith
10 Betty Hudson, Cindy Edgerton
12 Lt. Col. David King
16 Ainsley Russell
18 Susan Pilson
23 Basil Boyd, David Price
24 Dr. Denny Casey
26 Ann Reaser
29 Caroline Kirby



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, 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, Susan Rosser, Becky Stone Sawyers (L. Pritchett), Dee Moore Smith, Laura Stevens, Scott Stevens, Bruce Thomas, Carl Utley, Tammy Tucker Wardinski, Jodi White (sister of P. Marshall/G. Chaney), persecuted Christians,



military service men and women, missionaries, and all refugees and immigrants forced to flee their countries.

Grace Network Donations

2nd quarter 2025 food donation item is
Creamed corn 15 oz



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 (any 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

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/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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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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