

March 26, 2026



Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

Pastor's Corner

Pastor Bea Miller

Dear First Presbyterian family,

Palm Sunday in the park starts at 9:00 am on Sunday morning. If you'd like to walk in a group, we will leave from the front of the church at 8:45. Please don't forget to drop off something for our potluck brunch before you head to the park. Worship and fellowship will be the theme of the day as we celebrate Jesus's entry into Jerusalem and Holy Week.

Monday at the Session meeting, we joyfully accepted Marty and Bob Sherwood and Louise Lindsey as members among us. They have been serving God as faithful Presbyterians in Martinsville for many years, and we celebrate being able to serve more closely with them.

Summer Community Worship is just around the corner. Be sure to mark your calendars:

June 14 at Grace Presbyterian

July 12 at First Presbyterian Collinsville

August 9 at First Presbyterian Martinsville

And in the meantime, keep watching for an upcoming Fellowship event on April 18, after the Community Breakfast. Hold that space on your calendar. More information will be coming after Easter.

With Lenten blessings,

Pastor Bea



Please join us for worship this Palm Sunday in the Park at 9:00 AM

Liturgist Schedule

April

5 Taylor Shank *Easter*
12 Joe DeVault
19 Barbara Duncan
26 Ione Linker

May

3 Pearl Minter
10 Joan Montgomery
17 Mary Linker
24 Nancy Moore
31 Susan Pilson

June

7 Ashby Pinkard
14 Lynn Pritchett
21 Ron Rebman
28 Martha Rollins

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9:30am - 4pm

Friday 9:30am - 2pm

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

BEWARE: Two members of our congregation recently received **scam** emails that purported to be sent by Pastor Bea asking for help with the purchase of gift cards. PLEASE remember, SHE WILL NEVER ASK you to purchase anything on her behalf with the promise to pay you back. If you have questions about any email communications from her, please call or text her or Rita!

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.



Sunday, March 29th, Palm Service in the Park - 9AM (rain location is the FPC sanctuary) **If you would like to walk to the park, please meet in front of the church at 8:45**

A Potluck Brunch will follow the service. If you have items for that, bring them and leave them in the kitchen prior to the park service.

Church Clean-Up Day - Saturday, March 28th beginning at 8 AM. Come help spruce up the church before Easter Sunday. Reach out to Johnny Pinkard, David Price, or Dru Rothrock for more information.

The memorial service for William Regen will be held on Saturday, March 28, 2026, at 2 p.m. at Davidson College Presbyterian Church. If you would like to watch the **live stream of the service** the family has graciously shared the below link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0IVb5QFCawrwOMTF8E5Uvw>

Maundy Thursday/Tenebrae Service on April 2nd will begin with a potluck dinner at 6PM. At 7PM we will move to the sanctuary for the service.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF MARTINSVILLE PRESENTS:
BRUSHSTROKES & FELLOWSHIP: A MORNING PAINTING

"Create, Connect, and Celebrate"



JOIN US FOR ART & COMMUNITY

Come discover your inner artist in a relaxed, welcoming atmosphere. No experience needed! Step-by-step guidance provided. We will be painting the beautiful Bunny Rabbit pictured.

WHEN & WHERE:

- **DATE:** Saturday, March 28th
- **TIME:** 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM
- **LOCATION:** First Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall

EVENT DETAILS:

- **COST:** \$25 PER PERSON (Includes ALL supplies: 11x14 canvas, paints, and brushes)
- **INSTRUCTOR:** Karen Conner, Conner, Local Artist
- **REFRESHMENTS:** Coffee, tea, and light snacks provided
- **AGES:** For Adults & Teens

HOW TO REGISTER:

Space is limited to 20 participants. RSVP by March 20th by contacting:
SUSAN PILSON, 276-340-7288
or susanpilson@gmail.com

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- 4** Max Pinkston
 - 7** Bob Davis
 - 9** Pastor Bea Miller
 - 12** Robert (Bob) Sherwood
 - 14** Judy Garland
 - 15** Briana Tatum
 - 17** Barbara Tatum



April
Birthdays!

20 Manly Boyd
22 Matthew Price
30 Lynn Pritchett, Will 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

William W. Regen Family, Barbara Adams (Patsy Stanley) Sue Benfield, Bud Buffkin, Evelyn Cannaday, Joel Christman (B. Stanley), April Cox (B. Tatum), Nancy Davis, Marge Dunn, Martin Ford, Marvin Hudson, Liz Jackman (daughter of Nancy Davis), Randy Lawson (P. Stanley). Mary Manning, Jackie McLachlan, Leslie Naradikian (Marion Miller's daughter), Maggie Pilson, Johnny Pinkard, Rusty Reaser, Cecil Robbins, Susan Rosser, Becky Stone Sawyers (L. Pritchett), Dee Moore Smith, Laura Stevens, Scott Stevens, Bruce Thomas, Tammy Tucker Wardinski, 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

2nd Quarter Food Donation Item is Canned Beefaroni, Spaghetti/meatballs, Ravioli, Chili



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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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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Our Mission

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

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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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