

October 16, 2025



Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

Pastor's Corner

Pastor Bea Miller

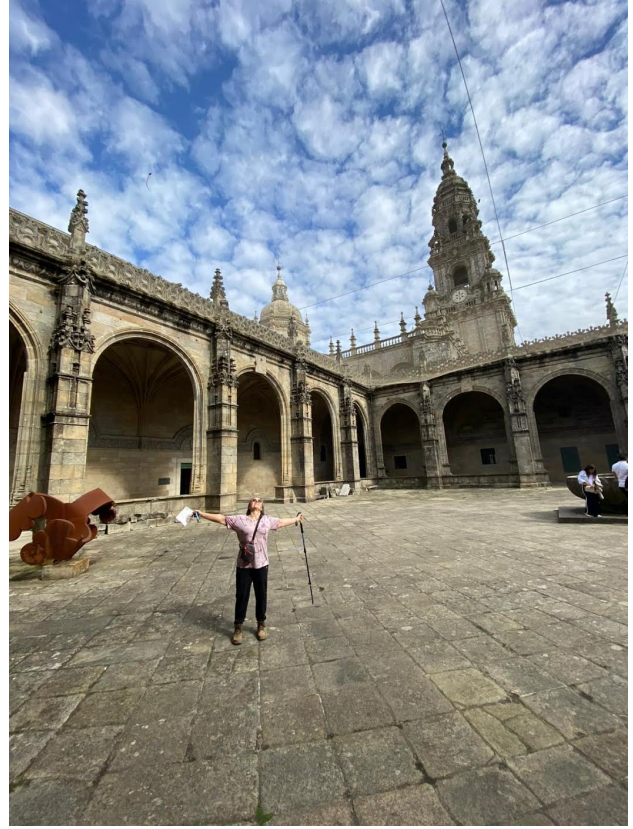
Pastor Bea and Group - Christ Episcopal in Sausalito, California

#1 - At the end of the first day of walking 13 miles, I had to climb two flights of stairs to the hotel room.

#2 - Last day of walking. Made it to the top of the Cathedral!

#3 - Sunset in Santiago.

#4 - The end of the earth.....





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

Sermon by Elder Monica Stevens

based upon Luke 16:1-13 and Amos 6:1a, 4-7

Liturgist: Barbara Duncan

Ushers/Greeters: Billy and Sharon Kirby

Liturgist Schedule

October

19 Barbara Duncan

26 Liz Ferrell

November

2 Joan Montgomery

9 Nancy Moore

16 Susan Pilson

23 Ashby Pinkard

30 *no liturgist needed*

December

7 Lynn Pritchett

14 Ron Rebman

21 Martha Rollins

24 (Wednesday, Christmas Eve) Sam Smith – if needed

28 Sam Smith

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.

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.



The Adult Sunday School class will begin studying "Following the Call". We have limited copies available in the session room. Stop by and pick up a copy, read

lesson one, and come prepared to discuss this Sunday, **October 19th at 8AM.**

The October Presbytery Meeting will be held on October 23rd at Northminster Presbyterian Church, 3911 Greenland Ave, NW, Roanoke, VA. This will be an all-day meeting. Registration opens on October 6th.

Pastor Bea will be away until October 26th on her pilgrimage in Spain. While she is away, elders of our church will be on call if pastoral care is needed. Call [276-734-8830](tel:276-734-8830) and leave a message or text. You may also leave a message on the church office phone.

Sunday, October 26th at 11:15 AM - Join us for an open house and tour of the newly renovated Community Office Wing. Refreshments will be available on the colonnade.

November 16th is Laity Sunday when members of our congregation have an opportunity to lead us in worship. Our members will be reading Scripture, offering prayers, making announcements and conducting all parts of the service. Reach out to Judy King or Janet Fentress if you would like to participate in any way.



The Community Breakfast is Saturday, October 18 led by **Suzan and Bill Kirby**. Cooking begins at 7:00 AM and breakfast is served from 8:00 - 9:30 AM. Reach out to **Suzan** ([276 638-2587](tel:276-638-2587) or [276 358-0075](tel:276-358-0075)) if you are available to cook, serve, or clean.

Weekday School

Hello Everyone! Last friday, we had our annual field trip to Owen Farm. All ages came and it was so much fun! We got to pet bunnies, feed chickens, ride on a hay ride, pick pumpkins and play on a playground!



I would also like to thank everyone who ordered a t-shirt from our fundraiser. We raised almost \$375! I will place the order this week and the website says it takes about 3 weeks for delivery!

Happy Birthday in October!

1 Shane Pinkston

5 John Abercrombie, Nancy Baker

6 Jane Ford, Mary Linker

9 Cole Tatum

11 Fran Hensley, Richard Lawhon

15 Joe Smith

16 Emily Kelly, Liz Knighton

26 Dwight Christenbury, Eileen Powell, Melissa Jessup

28 Gwendolyn B. Sowdon



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:

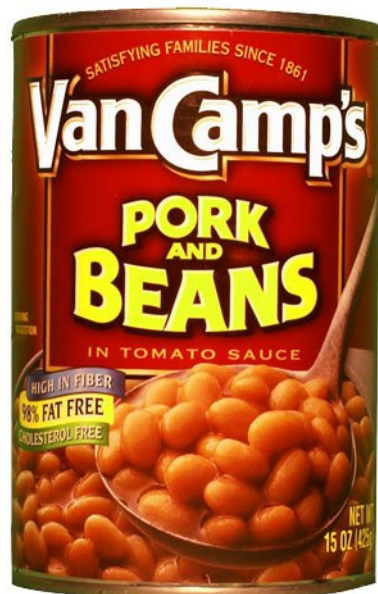
PRAYER CONCERNS

Sue Benfield, Bud Buffkin, Anna Beth Burton (L. & D. Ferrell), Evelyn Cannaday, Hank Childress (Ford Childress' brother), Joel Christman (B. Stanley), April Cox (B. Tatum), Marge Dunn, Martin Ford, Doug Goldstein, Marvin Hudson, Jamelle Waid Linker (Ed Linker's daughter-in-law), Mary Manning, Jackie McLachlan, Leslie Naradikian (Marion Miller's daughter), Maggie Pilson, Rusty Reaser, Richard Komorowski (M&N Davis), Cecil Robbins, Sandra Roberts (sister of Kat Walker), Susan Rosser, Becky Stone Sawyers (L. Pritchett), Dee Moore Smith, Laura Stevens, Scott Stevens, Bruce Thomas, , 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

[4th quarter 2025 food donation item is
Pork and Beans 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 (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*



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



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

[Our Mission](#)

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www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/page.cfm/topic/newsletter

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FPC online directory: members.instantchurchdirectory.com/

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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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Judy King: Worship (co-chair)

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2026: Sharon Kirby, Dru Rothrock
2027: Duke Ferrell, Joe Williams

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