

September 25, 2025



Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

Pastor's Corner

Pastor Bea Miller

Dear First Presbyterian family,

I had wonderful support for my Monday walk! Did you see the picture? Johnny, God bless him, did the last 4 miles with me. It was a good day! Thank you for your prayers and please keep praying!



Please plan on joining us on Sunday as we celebrate Rev. Rusty Reaser and send him and Ann off to their new life in the Charleston area.

And on Sunday, October 5th, please come and prayerfully send me on my pilgrimage! I will leave from worship to go to the airport and head to Spain. I'll arrive in Barcelona the morning of Monday, October 6th. The evening of the 7th, I'll meet my fellow pilgrims from Christ Episcopal in Sausalito, California. Their pastor

organized the trip through Progressive Pilgrimage. Please keep all of us in prayer.

Here is our walking schedule:

Friday, October 10 Sarria to Portomarin 13 miles

Saturday, October 11 Portomarin to Palas de Rei 15 miles

Sunday, October 12 Palas de Rei to Aruza 18 miles

Monday, October 14 Aruza to Rua 11 miles

Tuesday, October 15 Rua to Santiago de Compostela 13 miles

On Wednesday, we will head to the end of the world, Finisterre, by bus and on Thursday we arrive in Madrid. I'm meeting my sister in Madrid. She lives just outside of Paris, so we don't see each other very much. I fly back to Roanoke on Tuesday, October 21. Wednesday I'll do laundry and Thursday is Presbytery. Presbytery leadership is really hoping the Moderator makes it back on time....

Peace be with us all,

Pastor Bea



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

Sermon by Rev. Rusty Reaser

Liturgist: Pearl Minter

Ushers/Greeters: monty Montgomery, Betty Hudson

Liturgist Schedule

September

28 Pearl Minter

October

5 Taylor Shank

12 Joe DeVault

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.



Sunday, September 28 - Rev. Rusty Reaser, former Parish Associate here at First Presbyterian Church, is 93 years old and will preach one last sermon in our pulpit before he moves to the Charlotte area.

Monday, September 29 - Session Meeting at 4PM

Adult Christian Education Forum is scheduled for Wednesday, October 1 at 11:30 at Hugo's! Plan on bringing your lunch money to Hugo's back room for an Adult Christian Education Planning Forum. All adults in the congregation are encouraged to attend as we plan Sunday school and future programming with your interests and needs in mind. **RSVP to Nancy Davis at davistwo@comcast.net or**

[276-732-0232](tel:276-732-0232) by **Tuesday, September 30th.**

Women's Circle Meeting - Monday, October 6th at King's Grant at 11:00 AM. Nancy Davis will be leading lesson 2. If you are not a King's Grant resident, please sign in at the front desk and purchase your lunch ticket for \$12 upon arrival.

Happy Birthday in October!

1 Shane Pinkston

5 John Abercrombie, Nancy Baker

6 Jane Ford

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:276-340-7288).

These members and friends of the congregation need our prayers:

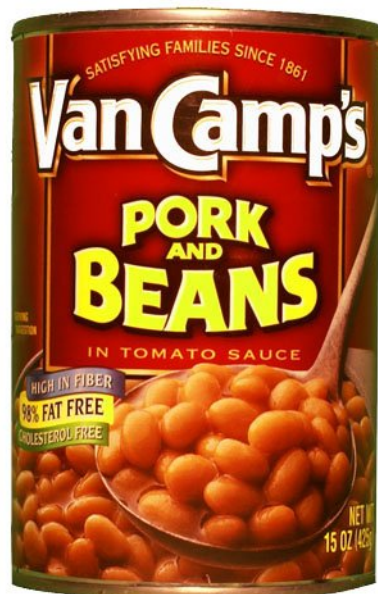
PRAYER CONCERNS

Family of Anne Abercrombie, 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*



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](#)

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

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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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