December 29, 2019





Communion Sundays

Communion provides us an opportunity for spiritual growth, for receiving God's blessing and for re-evaluating our commitment to the Lord. **Thank you** to those that currently serve on a commulon team.

NEW for 2020: Each communion team will be responsible for 1) Communion set up on Saturday, 2) serving at the 11:00 AM service and 3) Communion clean-up after the 11:00 AM service.

If you need a copy of the Communion schedule, please contact the Worship committee.

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What's Happening at FPC

Thursday, December 26

Red Cross Bloodmobile, 1:00–5:00 PM, Elks Lodge, 300 Fairy Street. Our congregation supplies volunteers who check in donors and serve them at the canteen after they finish donating blood. Contact Nancy Baker, nbaker08@comcast.net, 6387923, if you can help.

NO Praise Band practice

First Sunday After Christmas, December 29

Unlock/Lockup: Neil Tatum/Denny Casey

Contemporary Worship, 8:30 AM, Chapel

Sunday School, 9:45 AM, Children 4 yrs-2nd grade, Room 11-12 under the

Sanctuary; Adult class, Session Room (Room 134, upper level)

Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Ushers: *Monty Montgomery, David Garland, Dru Rothrock

Liturgist: Lynn Pritchett

Childcare for infants and toddlers is provided all morning in the nursery under the Sanctuary. Children's Worship is offered for age 4 through 2nd grade during the traditional worship service after the Time with Young Disciples.

Services at 8:30 & 11:00 AM

The Service for the Lord's Day, December 29, 2019

First Sunday After Christmas

Sermon by Rev. Mark Hinchcliff Full text of lectionary readings

www.presbyterianmission.org/devotion/revised-common-lectionary/

More Happenings

Monday, December 30

Session Meeting, 7:00 PM, Session Room

Tuesday, December 31, New Year's Eve

Church Office closed

Wednesday, January 1, 2020, New Year's Day

Church Office closed

Thursday, January 2

Praise Band, 7:00 PM, Chapel

Sunday, January 5

Communion Sunday

Unlock/Lockup: Johnny Pinkard/Milt Davis
Contemporary Worship, 8:30 AM, Chapel

Sunday School, 9:45 AM, Children 4 yrs-2nd grade, Room 11-12 under the

Sanctuary; Adult class, Session Room (Room 134, upper level)

Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Ushers:

Liturgist: Joan Montgomery

Communion Servers: *Ron Rebman, +Harold Lamm, Jean Williams, Lynn Pritchett,

Nancy Davis, Milt Davis, Susan Pilson, Pam Rakes

Monday, January 6

Presbyterian Women, location TBA

Tuesday, January 7

Cooks Who Care, 9:45 AM & 5:30 PM, Marge Dunn Kitchen. Volunteers are needed to prepare and package meals for those in need. Contact Judy Ware, 336 601-2316, je_ware@yahoo.com, for more information.

Library Committee, 10:00 AM, Library

Wednesday, January 8

Sanctuary Ringers, 5:45 PM, Handbell Room Chancel Choir, 7:00 PM, Choir Room. New singers welcome!

For a complete calendar of what's happening at FPC Martinsville, visit our website: www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/calendar.cfm.

Happy January Birthdays!

- **4** Marie Thompson
- 6 Iliene Hite
- 7 Elena King, Robert King, W.W. "Buck" Flythe
- 10 Dr. James Beard
- 16 Billy Kirby, Wendy Luther
- **17** Grace Ann Edgerton
- 18 Mary Elizabeth Pilson-Bazemore
- 19 Helen Flythe
- 21 Bonny Pace
- 22 Waymon Lockett
- 23 Milt Davis
- 24 Lillian Hatchett
- 28 David Garland
- 29 Alan Ferguson, Jack Kirby, Rusty Reaser
- 31 Mattie Wingfield

Prayer Requests

These members and friends of the congregation need our prayers:

Ken Ashley, Doc Altizer, Carl and Georgette Bishop, Merilyn Bremner (S. Ford), Jason Brown (Nancy Brown's grandson), Jim Brunt (N.



Davis' brother), Dot Bryson, David Chittum, Evelyn Clark, Tommy

Cobb (M. Dunn), Lyn Davis, Ron Ferrill (Sandra Ford), Daniel Handy, Helen Hawkes,
Jean Hill, Anne Holland (sister of Pearl Minter), Betty Hudson, Betty Carol Lamm,
Eddie Levi, Laura Stevens Milton, Regenia Noel (M. Stevens), Ed Pace, Anne Jordan
Penn (B. Tatum), Anne Peterson, Don Richman, Walt Seamon, Wayne Simmons
(Marge Dunn), C J Swinney (grandson of Deborah Blankenship; great-grandson of
Pearl Minter), Roger Williams (V. Esarey), persecuted Christians and all troops in
defense of freedom throughout the world.

Please submit prayer requests to Rita in the church office, (276) 632-3431, office@fpcmartinsvilleVA.org.

Please remember

Corn Bread Mix for Grace Network

Our assignment for Grace Network's food pantry for October, November and December, is **CORN BREAD MIX (i.e. Jiffy)**. Please include plastic grocery bags with your donation. Deodorant, toothpaste, bath soap, feminine products, dish detergent, laundry detergent, and toilet paper are also distributed to food pantry clients. Personal care and household items are also needed at the SSRC shelter (former Rainbow House/CAFV). Boxes for donations to both ministries are in the church hallways.

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/

Steeple Views is published. **DEADLINE** for submission of articles is Tuesday evening. We reserve the right to edit all submissions. Sharon Kirby, Editor steepleviews@fpcmartinsvilleVA.org

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Teri Ferguson: Worship

Susan Pilson: Congregational Care

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Lynn Pritchett: Stewardship

Monica Stevens: Christian Education

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