

June 5, 2016



Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

PHCC Chamber Music Concert Sunday, June 5, at 3:00 PM



We're all invited to ***It's All Natural*** (music about nature) this Sunday afternoon in the Walker Fine Arts Center theater. Selections include: "Grieg's Morning," "Flight of the Bumble Bee," "Die Nacht" by Strauss, Gershwin's "Summertime" and more. Fellow church member Virginia King, violinist, and Deborah Burgess, our contemporary music director, are among the performers. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students.

What's Happening This Week

Thursday, June 2

Praise Band, 7:00 PM, Chapel. New singers and musicians always welcome!

Thursday, June 2–Sunday, June 5

Church Family Service Retreat at Massanetta Springs Conference Center

Sunday 5

Communion Sunday

NO 8:30 Service due to Massanetta retreat

Fellowship & Refreshments, 9:30 AM, Fellowship Hall

Sunday School, 9:45 AM, Children 4 yrs-2nd grade, Room 11-12 under the Sanctuary; Adult Bible study, Session Room

Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Usher group #6: Monty Montgomery (Captain), Manly Boyd, David Garland, Bill Manning, Dru Rothrock

Liturgist: Nancy Baker

Childcare for infants and toddlers is provided all morning in the nursery under the Sanctuary.

PHCC Chamber Music Concert, 3:00 PM, Walker Fine Arts Center theater. Virginia King and Deborah Burgess are among the performers.

Monday 6

Extended Table, 2:00 PM, at King's Grant. If you would like communion brought to your home because you're unable to get to church, please contact Nancy Davis at (276)634-1403 or davistwo@comcast.net.

Tuesday 7

Cooks Who Care, 9:45 AM & 5:30 PM, Marge Dunn Kitchen.

Wednesday 8

Steeple Views Deadline, 10:00 AM. Please email information to Gael Chaney, steepleviews@firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org.

Steeple Views mailing, 3:00 PM, copier room. Volunteers appreciated.

Sanctuary Ringers and **Chancel Choir** are on summer break.

Thursday 9

Praise Band, 7:00 PM, Chapel. New singers and musicians always welcome!

Sunday 12

Contemporary Worship, 8:30 AM, Chapel

Fellowship & Refreshments, 9:30 AM, Fellowship Hall

Sunday School, 9:45 AM, Children 4 yrs-2nd grade, Room 11-12 under the Sanctuary; Adult Bible study, Session Room

Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Usher group #1: Neil Tatum (Captain), Clarence Benfield, Paul Cannaday, Victoria Esarey, Bill Kirby

Liturgist: Brianna Tatum

Congregational Meeting, immediately after the 11 o'clock service, to elect a Nominating Committee for officers and approve the terms of the pastor's call. Committee members to be voted on are Cindy Edgerton, Duke Ferrell, Dru Rothrock, and Cathy Stone.

Lemonade on the Lawn, immediately after the meeting.

Childcare for infants and toddlers is provided all morning in the nursery under the Sanctuary.

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

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Printed copies are available at church in the rack across from the office and on tables in the Chapel hallway and Narthex. Online archive of pdfs:

<http://www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/page.cfm/topic/newsletter>

The Service for the Lord's Day, June 5

Third Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture Lessons

Mark 14:17-31, Hebrews 4:12-16, 1 Samuel 16:1-13

Sermon by Rev. Dr. Burton Newman

"No Place to Hide"

Lectionary Readings for Sunday

1 Kings 17:8-24; Psalm 146

Galatians 1:11-24; Luke 7:11-17

Volunteers Needed for VBS

VBS and Music Camp Coming Soon

Registration information is in our church office and on our website:

<http://www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/news.cfm>

Vacation Bible School

"Cave Quest: Following Jesus the Light of the World"

June 27–July 1, 9:00 AM–12 Noon

Kick-off BBQ and Activities

Sunday, June 26, 5:00–7:00 PM

Everyone welcome, not just VBS participants!



Contact Janet Fentress to volunteer: jpffentress@hotmail.com or 276-638-3840.



Da Capo Virginia Music Camp

June 27–July 1, 1:00–4:00 PM

Escape to Africa! (African music)

Discounts available for VBS participants and siblings

Contact Tracy Prillaman at

804-432-3447 or

traceep@dacapova.org

to register.

Evelyn Clark graduates from the hospital

From Evelyn's YouCaring page (<https://www.youcaring.com/evelyn-clark-524619>):

"On January 6, 2016, Evelyn suffered a traumatic fall while visiting friends in an unfamiliar apartment building, leaving her paralyzed from the waist down. Thanks to the amazing men and women in the Richmond Fire Department and EMS squad, she was lucky enough to survive but sustained a broken scapula, 12 broken ribs, 2 pelvic fractures, bilateral punctured lungs, 3 spinal fractures, and a severe spinal cord injury resulting in waist down paralysis. She spent two

critical weeks in the Surgical Trauma ICU at MCV, where she fought for her life every day as the expert staff helped to save her. After being stabilized, she was airlifted to the ICU at the Shepherd Center Hospital in Atlanta, Georgia, one of the best spinal cord injury rehab centers in the country. ..."

Evelyn's sister Elizabeth posted on May 27:

"First, for those who don't want to wade through the length of this update, Evelyn has moved to her outpatient room and her mailing address has changed!! Woohoo!

Evelyn Clark WFRC #008

c/o Shepherd Center

2020 Peachtree Rd. NW, Atlanta, GA 30309

I have to start by apologizing again for the delay in the update, but MAN have we been busy! I finished up final exams last week and hopped in the car down to Atlanta. I can't tell you how impressed I was by the progress Evelyn has made. Last time I was with her she was using a Hoyer lift to get in and out of bed, a rolling shower chair, and was still in a lot of pain. I arrived late Friday evening and Evelyn was already in bed, but as soon as I arrived she said "Oh let me get up and chat!" to which I said "No no, don't go through all the trouble." But then she just grabbed her slideboard, sat herself up, and slid over to her chair. While this may not sound super impressive, it is such a huge accomplishment! It is hard to imagine, and even harder to describe, how difficult it is to just sit yourself up without the use of core ab muscles. The next few days I spent in constant amazement. She is getting a lot of sensation and muscle groups back in her abdomen and butt. This is really great news for mobility, but comes with growing pains. The fact that she can feel her bottom is extremely helpful for skin integrity and circulation; however, it also means that she gets very tired sitting all day. This led her to ask her physical therapist, Chris, to help her stand up. Chris took her over to the parallel bars and with some effort helped her to pull herself up to a standing position. She said she immediately felt a huge relief in her back and butt. But more importantly, she was standing! She could lock her knees on her own and hold her body weight up almost independently with her arms. Chris said this was very promising!

"Then, at the end of the week, we had her graduation ceremony from the hospital inpatient program. Her therapists organized a big gathering and everyone gave speeches. The previous mayor had chosen Evelyn to be the



“mayor” of the floor after he left, which was eventually changed to “princess” of the floor. There was a passing of the torch, where Evelyn then chose the next mayor to help patients who are having a hard time, showing the new admits around the floor, etc. Mom got a Superstar Caretaker award, and everyone said she was one of the best and hardest working caretakers they had ever seen, but we all knew that already. It was a very exciting day, but also very emotional. Ev has gotten very close to her therapy team and leaving them is not only sad, but very scary. Establishing the trust it takes to have someone support you the way a physical and occupational therapist does, both physically and emotionally, takes time.

"Then the next morning, we woke up and moved into the onsite apartments. The first thought we had was that it was so nice to sit around and talk without being disturbed. In the hospital room, there was someone knocking on the door and coming in almost every 20 minutes, no exaggeration. It was just a relief to have time to ourselves as a family, uninterrupted. There are definitely still some obstacles to overcome and some kinks to be worked out. ... All of the problems we are facing are because things are progressing and will be better in the long run, it just means we have to work harder for longer.

"I am heading to Richmond this week to pick up a Standing Frame for at home. Dad is working hard at home preparing the house for her return; building boxes for transfers and moving her bedroom downstairs. Thanks for bearing with me through this long update, there really is much more to share but I will save it for our next update."

To keep up with Evelyn's progress and help with her expenses, visit the YouCaring link at the top of this article. As always, your prayers, cards, and support are greatly appreciated.

Live-streamed online
PC(USA) General Assembly
meeting June 18-25

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA) will meet June 18–25 in Portland, Oregon. *Please pray for the General Assembly and for our denomination as a whole, that we may truly be the body of Christ.* Everyone is invited to tune in to the live stream of the sessions, especially to join in the worship service which begins at 11:00 AM Pacific Daylight Time on Saturday, June 18 (2:00 PM Eastern).



From the website:

"Several thousand people are expected to gather in Portland, Oregon, on

Saturday, June 18, for the opening worship service of the 222nd General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). But the congregation could potentially be much larger—with groups of Presbyterians across the country using live stream technology to participate in opening worship from their own church sanctuaries and meeting spaces. The Committee on the Office of the General Assembly (COGA) is encouraging congregations and mid councils to gather groups in their locations to worship with the assembly via live stream. The live stream player will be in place of the promotional video on the Assembly home page at pcusa.org/ga222 on June 18."

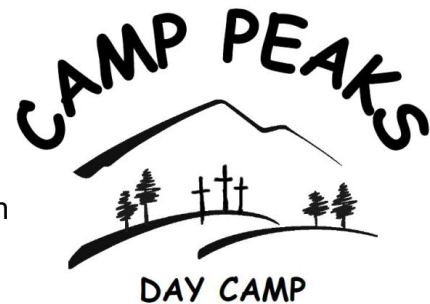
For the rest of the story, visit:

<http://www.pcusa.org/news/2016/5/24/technology-expands-congregation-opening-worship-ga/>

Camp Peaks Presbytery Day Camp

July 25–29, 9:00 AM–3:00 PM

Meet at the church the first day to check in, then out to Bill and Sandy Martin's farm in Axton for fun each day. Registration brochures are in the church office.



Our Mission

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

Useful Links

FPC website: <http://www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/>

FPC online directory: <https://members.instantchurchdirectory.com/>

FPC Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/FPCMartinsvilleVA>

Presbytery of the Peaks: <http://www.peakspresbytery.org/>

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