

July 17, 2016



Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

Back-to-School Project

Our congregation is a partner church with Community Fellowship to provide backpacks filled with school supplies and other necessities for area school children. Families will need to register their children ahead of time for the August 6 distribution. **Volunteers** are needed to help with registration at Wilson Park on **Saturday, July 16, 9:00 AM–12 Noon**, and **Tuesday, July 26, 6:00–8:00 PM**. Please be present an hour prior to the event. Contact Jerri DeVault (276-666-3024) if you can help.



[View this email in your browser.](#)

Printed copies are available at church in the rack across from the office.

What's Happening This Week

Thursday, July 14

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

Friday 15

Pack the Bus, 7:00 AM–8:00 PM, Walmart parking lot. Contact Pastor Michael Harrison (647-8231) of the Community Fellowship for more information.

Saturday 16

Back-to-School Project Registration, 9:00 AM–12 Noon, Wilson Park. Parents must bring their children to register them for free backpacks and school supplies. Volunteers are needed beginning at **8:00 AM**.

Sunday 17

We welcome Dr. Burton Newman to our pulpit this morning.

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

Liturgist: Cindy Edgerton

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

4 Sundays @ 4 Concert, 4:00 PM, First United Methodist Church, 146 E. Main St., Martinsville, Juanita Smoot, organist

Tuesday-Saturday, July 19-23

Presbyterian Youth Triennium, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN. Two of our youth are attending with our Presbytery delegation.

Tuesday 19

Steeple Views Deadline, 4:00 PM. Please email information to Gael Chaney, steeplevIEWS@firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org.

Trustees meeting, 4:30 PM

Wednesday 20

Steeple Views mailing, 4:00 PM, copier room. Volunteers appreciated.

Thursday 21

Agape Ministry, 6:00 PM. Contact Monica Stevens (632-8075, mlkstev@hotmail.com) for more information.

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

Sunday 24

We welcome Dr. Dwight Christenbury to our pulpit this morning.

Two-Cents-a-Meal Offering

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: Victoria Esarey

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

4 Sundays @ 4 Concert, 4:00 PM, Broad Street Christian Church. Peter Ramsey, Recorder; John Fulcher, Piano; Kevin Lewis, Trumpet; David Dunham, Tenor Sax; Kat Walker, Flute; Tim Loman; Clarinet; A. Robert Chapman, Organ

For a complete calendar of what's happening at FPC Martinsville, visit our

website: <http://www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/calendar.cfm>.

The Service for the Lord's Day, July 17
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost (Ordinary Time)

Scripture Lessons

Luke 6:20-38; 1 Peter 2:9-15

Sermon by Dr. Burton J. Newman

"Remembering Whose We Are and Who We Are"

Lectionary Readings for Sunday

Amos 8:1-12; Psalm 52

Colossians 1:15-28; Luke 10:38-42

Thanks for Another Successful VBS!

Another year of VBS has come to an end, and we all had fun at Cave Quest. There were 61 kids who attended at least one day. Our mission project of collecting money for "Group Cares" brought in \$150. This money will go to help rehabilitate needy folks' homes and make them a safer place for kids to live.



There are many who need to be thanked for all their hard work and time spent putting on a great program. The station leaders, who do most of the work were Bible Story: Mattie Wingfield assisted by Matthew Mason
Snacks: JoAnne Sanders
Imagination Station: Bonnie Price
Games: Beth Lawson
KidVid Cinem: Debbie Norton (Christ Episcopal Church)
Singing: Denise Ayers (Forest Hills Church)

The snacks were creative as usual. JoAnne was assisted in the kitchen by the helpful crew of Pearl Minter, Marge Dunn, Cathy Stone, Lang Mauck, Nancy Baker, Monica Stevens, Joan Montgomery, Nancy Davis and Tracy Hinchcliff.

Mattie did a GREAT job again this year with the stories and I hope everyone had a chance to see her room decorations. If you missed seeing Bonnie Price's room, you missed a real work of art. You really felt like you had entered a cave. The room kept getting darker each day until Friday there was no light. She could not have done it without the help of Tyler and thanks again to



Susan Smith for helping Bonnie all week. Bonnie also expresses thanks to Jim Beard who helped with the rock collection. While Beth Lawson has helped in the

past as a group leader, she did a super job taking over the games this year. How about that huge slip and slide on Friday? A fun week? You betcha!

More thanks go to the group leaders who took the kids from station to station. Kindergarten/1st grade: Lynn Henderson (Lutheran Church) and Jenny Spivey —it was great to see Jenny and her girls again!

2nd/3rd grade: Elaine Button (Forest Hills Church)

3rd/4th grade: Kym Tatum

5th/6th grade: Brooke Cundiff. Brooke also doubled as Claire, a character in a skit each morning.

What's the definition of "chaos"? The first morning of Bible School! About 20 new kids signed up that morning. Helping with the chaos were Lynn Pritchett, Barbara Tatum and Ashby Pinkard. Lynn Pritchett was there all week keeping the paperwork straight. Chuck Cundiff did a great job again taking pictures for the Spotlight Drama each day. The kids loved seeing themselves on the big screen. All the teens that helped also deserve a round of applause. As you can see it takes a small army to put on a successful VBS. The attending kids came from 17 churches and 12 indicated no church. Did we touch their lives? I hope so!

And last, but certainly not least, Sam Smith was my "right hand man." He and I started decorating about the middle of May, and Sam probably did the majority of the decorating. He was also so very helpful in many other ways. He is currently back at Hollins College working on his thesis—good luck Sam! He is an amazing young man and I am happy to claim him as a friend.

—Janet Fentress, VBS Co-Director

All-Star Memories

Walter Anderson was featured in a Roanoke Times article that is also available on the Martinsville Bulletin website. As a boy, he attended one of the greatest All-Star baseball games ever played and has kept his ticket for the last 75 years. To read the article, follow this link:

http://www.martinsvillebulletin.com/news/region_and_state/casey-a-martinsville-man-and-his-all-star-memories/article_055e31b5-b68d-5de0-ad2d-63f53308fd4f.html



Nominating Committee

Suggestions for Church Officers Sought

All members of the congregation are invited to submit suggestions to the Nominating Committee for the slate of ruling elders and trustees. Forms will be available in church on Sundays through July 24. If you will not be here, you may contact one of the members of the Nominating Committee listed below. Current members of the Session and Trustees are listed at the [end of this email](#).

Cindy Edgerton, Chair (steveandcindy@earthlink.net, 276-732-2784)

Duke Ferrell (dukeferrell@activwall.com, 864-934-6559)

Rob King (rking@piedmontmechanical.biz, 276-340-2263)

Cathy Stone (bncstone@comcast.net, 540-330-9944)

All active members of First Presbyterian Church are eligible to hold office.

"Christ's ministry is the foundation and standard for all ministry, the pattern of the one who came 'not to be served but to serve' (Matt. 20:28). Those who undertake particular ministries should be persons of strong faith, dedicated discipleship, and love of Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. Their manner of life should be a demonstration of the Christian gospel in the church and in the world." (PCUSA Book of Order G-2.0101, 2.0104)

Presbyterian Youth Triennium

The Presbyterian Youth Triennium is a five-day event for high-school-age youth (entering freshmen through graduated seniors) and accompanying adult youth leaders. The Triennium is focused on equipping young people to be transformational Christian leaders and seeks to join the home churches of the attendees to help call young people into deeper discipleship in Jesus Christ. The Youth Triennium is a high energy, biblically infused and focused, youth friendly conference. The Youth Triennium occurs every three years. Photos and event information (past and current) can be found at www.presbyterianyouthtriennium.org.

Gifts to the Church

In Honor of Cooks Who Care

Walter and Connie Anderson

In memory of Ron Fentress

Fran, Bill and Brent Hensley

Cheryl, Jackson, Jason and Miles Carlyon

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/>

Steeple Views is published weekly by First Presbyterian Church, 1901 Patrick Henry Ave., Martinsville, VA 24112. Phone: 276-632-3431. DEADLINE for submission of articles is Tuesday evening. We reserve the right to edit all submissions. Gael Chaney, Editor
steepleviews@firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org

STAFF

Rev. Mark Hinchcliff, Pastor, pastor@firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org

Cynthia Dobrinski, Music Director & Organist, music@firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org

Rita Bateman, Secretary/Office Manager, office@firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org

Francia Brown, Bookkeeper, bookkeeper@firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org

Mary Lewis Johnston, Weekday School Director,

wds@firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org

Deborah Burgess, Contemporary Music Director,

contemporarymusic@firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org

2016 SESSION

Moderator:

Rev. Mark Hinchcliff

Clerk: Nancy Baker

Treasurer: Milton Davis

Class of 2016

Chris Beeler, Stewardship

Pearl Minter, Fellowship

Bill Kirby, Administration

Class of 2017

Denny Casey, Facilities

Cindy Edgerton, Worship

Victoria Esarey, Congregational Care

Class of 2018

Jerri DeVault, Mission

Nancy Moore, Communications

Monica Stevens, Christian Education

TRUSTEES

2016: Billy Kirby (Moderator), Kent Williams

2017: Bob Davis, Joe DeVault

2018: Monty Montgomery, Henry Moore

Copyright © 2016 First Presbyterian Church, Martinsville, VA, All rights reserved.

Phone: 276-632-3431

[unsubscribe from this list](#) [update subscription preferences](#)

The MailChimp logo is displayed in a white, cursive font within a grey rectangular box.