

September 11, 2016



Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

Breakfast at 9:30 AM

Rally Day Sunday, September 11

The Christian Education Committee invites everyone to breakfast on **Sunday, September 11, at 9:30 AM**, in the Fellowship Hall to kick off a new program year. Instead of regular Sunday School classes, there will be a program, which will include service opportunities from each committee about how we can join them in furthering the church's mission. Even if you don't usually attend Sunday School, come to breakfast for food and fellowship!



Blessings and Children's Worship

During both services this Sunday, Pastor Mark will have a special blessing for teachers, students and their backpacks. All students are invited to bring their backpacks to church. Elder Cindy Edgerton will present Bibles to 2nd graders. During the 11 o'clock service, Children's Worship will resume for children age 4 through 2nd grade. They will be escorted to their worship space after the Time with Young Disciples.



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What's Happening This Week

Thursday, Sept. 8

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

Sunday 11

Contemporary Worship, 8:30 AM, Chapel

Rally Day Breakfast, 9:30 AM, Fellowship Hall. The Christian Education Committee hosts this event to kick off our church's new program year.

Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Usher group #2: Ralph Shank, Jr. (Captain), Bob Davis, Bob Clark, Harold Lamm, Henry Moore

Liturgist: Joan Montgomery

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

Lemonade on the Lawn, 12 Noon

VBS Wrap-up Meeting, 12:30 PM

**The Service for the Lord's Day, September 11, 2016
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost (Ordinary Time)**

Scripture Lessons

Luke 15:1-10; Psalm 14

Sermon by Rev. Mark Hinchcliff

"Lost But Now is Found"

Additional [Lectionary Readings](#) for Sunday

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28; 1 Timothy 1:12-17

Monday, September 12

Circle 1 (now including Circle 5), 10:00 AM, Fellowship Hall.

G.P.S. 3:00–5:00 PM

Congregational Supper, 6:00 PM, Fellowship Hall

Committee Meetings, 7:00 PM

Tuesday 13

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

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

Wednesday 14

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

Sanctuary Ringers, 5:45 PM, handbell room

Chancel Choir, 7:00 PM, Choir Room

Thursday 15

"Disciple Bible Study" Preview class, 6:00 PM, King's Grant Multi-Purpose Room. Open to all interested adults, not just King's Grant residents. Call the church office to sign up.

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

Saturday 17

Free Community Breakfast, 8:00–9:30 AM, Fellowship Hall. Volunteers are needed beginning at **7:00**. Jerri DeVault (276-666-3024) is in charge this month.

Sunday 18

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 #3: Monty Montgomery (Captain), Buck Flythe, Milt Davis, Nancy Davis, Joan Montgomery

Liturgist: Nancy Moore

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>.

"Grow, Praise, Sing!" begins Monday, Sept. 12

G.P.S.—"Grow, Praise, Sing! Mapping a Life That Follows Christ," our children's music and Christian education program, will begin on **Monday, September 12, from 3:00 to 5:00 PM**. All children ages **Kindergarten through 8th grade** are invited to join us after school for music, Bible stories, snacks and fun. For more information or to sign up, call the church office, (276) 632-3431, or JoAnne Sanders, (276) 340-6913.



Call to Action

Cooks Who Care Tuesday, Sept. 13

Come join Cooks Who Care to prepare and pack meals for members who may need one due to illness, death in the family, or other need. Meals are prepared in the morning session, which begins with a devotional at **9:45 AM**, and packed for delivery or freezing at **5:30 PM**. Contact Judy Ware (666-2269, je_ware@yahoo.com) for more information.



Mission Events

Free Community Breakfast

Saturday, September 17, serving 8:00–9:30 AM

Volunteers are needed beginning at **7:00** to cook, set up,



clean up, and greet our guests. Jerri DeVault (276-666-3024) is in charge this month. Call her to volunteer.

Cottage Place Outreach Dinner

Monday, September 19, 6:00 PM, Fellowship Hall.

Volunteers are needed beginning at **5:00** to cook dinner. Contact Jerri DeVault, (276)666-3024, if you can help. We also need prizes for bingo games if you would like to donate some.



"Disciple Bible Study"

Pastor Mark will teach a 34-week in-depth Bible study beginning this fall, "Disciple," which covers 80% of the Bible, at King's Grant in the Multi-Purpose Room. All interested adults, not just residents of King's Grant, are invited to a preview session on **Thursday, September 15, at 6:00 PM**. Call the church office (632-3431) or Pastor Mark (210-273-2813) if you would like to attend. Sessions will continue on Thursdays at 6:00.



Our deepest sympathy is extended to Iliene Hite on the death of her sister Emma Lucille Lawrence Gravely on August 30 in Martinsville.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of Nola Miles Seamon who died on September 1 in Burlington, NC. Walt Seamon is her brother-in-law, and David Seamon is her nephew.

PDA Responds to Louisiana Flooding

In the aftermath of catastrophic flooding in the Gulf region, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is providing assistance to the Presbytery of South Louisiana and reached out to the Presbytery of Mississippi. PDA has approved two grants to be used to address community needs.



The flooding this August dumped nearly 22 inches of rain in parts of Louisiana and other Gulf states according to the National Weather Service.

Some communities reported as much as 31 inches of rainfall.

"Presbyterian Disaster Assistance joins the whole church in expressing its sadness and extending prayerful support to our neighbors in southern Louisiana and Mississippi in the wake of the flooding," said the Rev. Dr. Laurie Kraus, coordinator for PDA. "We are grateful for the church's faithful past giving and support of **One Great Hour of Sharing**, which has enabled PDA to make financial resources immediately available to affected communities." ...

For more of the story and information on how to help, use this link:
<https://www.presbyterianmission.org/story/presbyterian-disaster-assistance-deploys-national-response-team-wake-gulf-flooding/>

The office of the Presbytery of South Louisiana was flooded, along with many people in the area. They hired a flood recovery coordinator to help with area efforts and are accepting monetary donations at this address: Presbytery of South Louisiana, 250 S Foster Dr, Baton Rouge, LA 70806.

Fall Session

Da Capo Virginia now enrolling

Tuesdays, September 20–November 29

First Presbyterian Church, Martinsville

Animato 4:30–6:00 PM

students grades 2–6, \$185

Cantare 6:15–7:45 PM

students grades 7–10, \$185

Scholarships available.

<http://www.dacapova.org/howtojoin/howtojoin/register.html>

For more information, contact info@dacapova.org



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

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<http://www.fpcmartinsvilleva.org/>

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

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