

October 16, 2016



Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

Chamber Music Concert October 16, 3:00 PM, PHCC

The Chamber Music Ensemble performs a spine-chilling, Halloween-themed "Creature Features" musical recital at Patrick Henry Community College on **Sunday, October 16 at 3 PM**, in the Walker Fine Arts/Student Center Theater.

Professional musicians and singers from across the region will perform a ghastly set of classical arrangements from both popular culture and traditional composers. Some of the songs from the set include "Hall of the Mountain King" by Edvard Grieg, "Ghostbusters" by Ray Parker Jr., and "Danse Macabre" by Saint-Saens.

Tickets are available at the door: Adults \$10, Students \$5. Halloween costumes welcome. For more information, contact Deborah Burgess, who is also FPC's Contemporary Music Director, at burgessd@ntelos.net or 276-647-1914.



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What's Happening This Week

Thursday 13

Disciple Bible Study, 6:00 PM, King's Grant Multi-Purpose Room

NO Praise Band Rehearsal

Saturday 15

Free Community Breakfast, Fellowship Hall.

Volunteers needed beginning at **7:00 AM**; serving **8:00–9:30 AM**. To volunteer, contact Denny Casey, 632-8306, d.a.casey@comcast.net, or just show up.



Sunday 16

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 Adult class, Session Room

Confirmation Class, 9:45 AM, Youth Room

Sanctuary Ringers, 9:45 AM, Sanctuary, rehearsal for 11 AM service

Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Prayer Shawl Dedication, during 11:00 AM service

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

Liturgist: Brianna Tatum

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

Chamber Music Concert "Creature Features," 3:00 PM, Patrick Henry Community College, Walker Fine Arts Center.

The Service for the Lord's Day, October 16, 2016

22nd Sunday after Pentecost (Ordinary Time)

Scripture Lessons

Luke 18:1-8; Jeremiah 31:27-34

Sermon by Rev. Mark Hinchcliff

"Justice or Mercy, Which Will You Ask God For?"

Additional [Lectionary Readings](#) for Sunday

Psalms 119:97-104; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Monday 17

G.P.S. 3:00–5:00 PM, Music & Bible for children K-8

Tuesday 18

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

Wednesday 19

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

Sanctuary Ringers, 5:45 PM, handbell room

Chancel Choir, 7:00 PM, Choir Room. New singers always welcome!

Thursday 20

Agape Ministry, 6:00 PM

Disciple Bible Study, 6:00 PM, King's Grant Multi-Purpose Room
Praise Band, 7:00 PM, Chapel

Friday 21

Middle School Retreat through Saturday, Camp Bethel

Saturday 22

Pumpkin Patch, 9:00 AM–5:00 PM, Volunteers from FPC will staff the booth to sell pumpkins. Contact Milt Davis at (276) 634-1403 or davistwo@comcast.net, to volunteer.



Sunday 23

Laity Sunday, members of the congregation will lead both services

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 Adult class, Session Room

Confirmation Class, 9:45 AM, Youth Room

Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

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

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

Call to Action

Free Community Breakfast Saturday, Oct. 15

Join the Mission Committee as we offer a free Community Breakfast on **October 15, serving from 8:00 until 9:30 AM**. This is a wonderful opportunity to share fellowship with our neighbors and provide a mission to our community. **Volunteers are needed between 7:00 and 10:00 AM** for setup, cooking, greeting guests, and cleanup. Church members are also welcome just to come and have breakfast with our neighbors.

This Sunday

Prayer Shawl Dedication October 16

Please bring completed prayer shawl or shawls in progress, to be dedicated during the 11 o'clock service Sunday, October 16.





Don't forget to buy your pumpkin from Grace

Grace Network's Pumpkin Patch is now open on the vacant lot on Mulberry Road beside First Baptist Church, Martinsville. Sale hours are **11:00 AM–7:00 PM Monday–Friday, 9:00 AM–5:00 PM Saturday, and 1:30–5:00 PM Sunday**. Our congregation will volunteer on **Saturday, October 22**, to staff the sales booth. Contact Milt Davis at (276) 634-1403 or davistwo@comcast.net to volunteer.

Next Sunday

Laity Sunday, October 23

Both services will be led by lay members of the congregation, who will take different parts of the order of worship, including the sermon.

A Look Ahead

Trunk or Treat, October 30

Calling all trunks, treats, and folks who like to have fun! You will give away goodies and receive many smiles in return on **Sunday, October 30, 3:00–5:00 PM**, in the FPC parking lot. Compete for the prize for the best decorated trunk and costumes! Sign up on the bulletin board outside the church office or contact Leanna Blevins at (276) 224-3143.



Stewardship Campaign

Keep the bags moving!

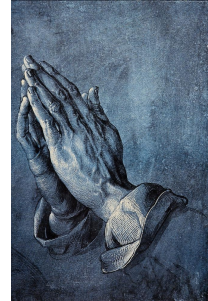


This year's stewardship campaign is being conducted Pony Express style in hopes of 100% participation. Each local neighborhood has a bag, a list of members in that neighborhood, and pledge cards for each of the neighborhood members. When the bag is brought to your house, please fill out your pledge card and seal it in the provided envelope, cross your name off of the list, and deliver it to the next person or family below your name. In so doing, everyone in our local congregation will be called on by another member of our congregation. You are asked to keep the bag no longer

than 48 hours in order to keep it moving and to complete the stewardship campaign by the end of October. Instructions, telephone numbers and addresses are all provided in each neighborhood bag, and a captain is assigned to each bag. If you have any problems or issues, please contact the captain listed for your bag. Let's make "Every Member—Every Hand" a success!

Prayer Concerns

The following members and friends of our congregation need our prayers: Rory Bowen (Rusty Reaser), Jim Brunt (Nancy Davis' brother), Dot Bryson, Todd Bryson, Evelyn Clark, Ernie Cobb (Marge Dunn's brother in-law), Brennen Cox, Floyd Craig, Jim Ford, Francis Gray (Kym Tatum's mom), Daniel Handy (Pearl Minter's son in-law), Clara Hartley, Clyde Hill, Mark Hinchcliff, Karl Kelly (Monica Steven's brother), Ann King, Myrtis Lester, Kristi Mong (Victoria Esarey), Ed Pace, Anne Peterson, Dr. Dan Prince, Diane Pruesner (Pastor Mark's Aunt), Louise Mauck Rawls, Barbara Regen, Laura Stevens, Lilian Turman, Martha & Joe Valentine, Sarah Wells, and all our troops throughout the world.



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

Session Highlights

Highlights of the September 26 Session meeting may be found on our church website at <http://www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/news.cfm?ID=582>.

Congratulations and Best Wishes to Bennett Chaney and Toa Rivera, who were married on August 19, 2016, in Cambridge, Mass. Bennett grew up in our church and is the son of Smith and Gael Chaney and the grandson of Dr. Charles Bennett Marshall.



Your News

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

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<http://www.fpcmartinsvilleva.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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