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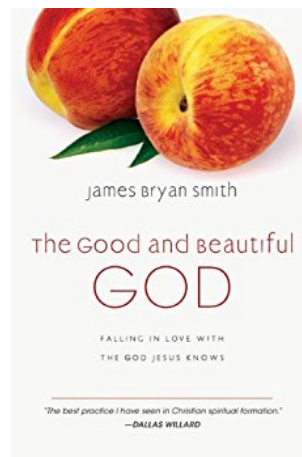
Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

The Good and Beautiful God

New Adult Sunday School Study

"God wants me to try harder." "God blesses me when I'm good and punishes me when I'm bad." "God is angry with me." We all have ideas we tell ourselves about God and how he works in our lives. Some are true—but many are false. The author James Bryan Smith believes these thoughts determine not only who we are, but also how we live. On April 30, the Adult Sunday School class will begin studying his book, *The Good and Beautiful God*.



In the pages of this book, you are invited to turn to the Gospels and put your ideas to the test to see if they match up with what Jesus himself reveals about God. This deep, loving and transformative book will help you discover the narratives that Jesus lived by—to know the God he knew and the kingdom he proclaimed—and to practice spiritual exercises that will help you grow in the knowledge of our good and beautiful God.

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What's Happening This Week

Thursday, April 20

Praise Band, 7:00 PM, Chapel

Sunday 23

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



Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Usher group #4: *Monty Montgomery, Jeri DeVault, Joe DeVault, Lang Mauck, Bill Stone

Liturgist: Denny Casey

Fun with Flags, 3:00 PM, M-HC Heritage Center & Museum, 1 E. Main St., Martinsville, presented by fellow church member Lt. Col. David King.

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.

The Service for the Lord's Day, April 23, 2017

Second Sunday of Easter

Scripture Lessons

John 20:19-31 • Psalm 16

Sermon by Rev. Mark Hinchcliff

"Believe So You Can See"

Additional Lectionary Readings for Sunday

Acts 2:14a, 22-32 • 1 Peter 1:3-9

Full text of lectionary readings

<http://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=40>

Monday, April 24

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

Session meeting, 7:00 PM, Session Room

Tuesday 25

Steeple Views Deadline, 9:00 AM. *Note earlier time.* Please email information to Gael Chaney, steepleviews@fpcmartinsvilleva.org.

Wednesday 26

Prayer Shawl Ministry, 4:00 PM, Session Room

Sanctuary Ringers, 5:45 PM, handbell room

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

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Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Usher group #5: *Dennis Casey, Rob King, Denise Unterbrink, Tom Unterbrink
Liturgist: Jo Dykes

Handbell Concert, 4:00 PM, Broad Street Christian Church. Several of our church members will perform with the Martinsville Handbell Ensemble.

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



Please Note

Earlier Steeple Views Deadline

Please submit all information for Steeple Views no later than **9:00 AM, Tuesday, April 25**. The editor has several extra things scheduled for Wednesday this week and needs to start early. Email Gael Chaney: steepleviews@fpcmartinsvilleva.org.

College Scholarship

Kuhn Scholarship deadline is May 15

Vera Jane Kuhn is offering a college scholarship to a church member. The application form may be found on our website: <http://www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/page.cfm/topic/Scholarship>. Please fill it out and return it to the church office no later than May 15 (even though the form says April 15).

A Look Ahead

Massanetta Springs Family Retreat June 1-4

Brochures will be available at church this Sunday. This will be a fun weekend of fellowship, service, and reflection for all ages.

M-HC Historical Society

"Fun with Flags," Sunday, April 23

Our fellow church member Lt. Col. David King will give a program at **3:00 PM, this Sunday, April 23**, at the Martinsville-Henry County Heritage Center and Museum (old courthouse), 1 East Main St., Martinsville. He will talk about little known facts and fallacies about our flag. The program is free, and everyone is invited.

Easter Lilies Given to the Church
IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Chris Abercrombie

by John and Anne Abercrombie

Jim Baker

by Nancy Baker

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Richard B. Sowdon

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**Betty Boyd, mother of Manly
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by Bonny, Ed, Farrell and Dyer Pace

**Our parents, Shirley and Marvin,
and stepmother Trula Campbell**

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by Joe and Jerri DeVault

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by Dick and Susan Pilson and Family

Louise Pinkard

by Johnny and Ashby Pinkard

Randy Stevens

by Bob Davis

by Nancy and Milt Davis

by The Flythes

Andrew and Randy Stevens

by Monica Stevens

Ben Tatum

by Barbara, Neil, Craig, and Jon
Tatum

**My friends Marty Davis, Betty
Jane Simpson, Lee Eden, Donna
Wright, and Judy Bowman**

by Barbara Tatum

Our Parents

by Kent and Jean Williams

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Evelyn Clark

by Johnny and Ashby Pinkard

Our pastor, Mark Hinchcliff

by The Flythes

Mark and Tracy Hinchcliff

by Milt and Nancy Davis

by Bob Davis

Bonny and Ed Pace

by Nanette and Kenneth Smith

Ruby Pace

by Bonnie, Ed, Farrell, and Dyer Pace

Mary Page

by Bill and Mary Manning

Anne Peterson

by Jo Dykes

My parents, Troy and Inez

Spencer

by Pam Rakes

Laura and Daniel Stevens

by Monica Stevens

All G.P.S! and Children's Worship

Volunteers

Janet Fentress, Bonnie Price, and

all VBS Volunteers

by Bill and Cathy Stone

My sisters, Shirley Nease and

Ann Davis

by Victoria Campbell Esarey

Prayer Concerns

The following members and friends of our congregation need our prayers: Walter Anderson, Sue Benfield, Deborah Brooks (Marshall family), H.C. "Bud" Buffkin, Dot Bryson, Kelly Bryson, Kimberly Bryson, Evelyn Clark, Ernie Cobb (M. Dunn), Tommy Cobb (M. Dunn), Virginia Coley, Brennen Cox, Sandra B. Cox, Floyd Craig, Marie-Bernice Downey, Jim Ford, Daniel Handy, Clara Hartley, Marvin Hudson (Betty's husband), Margaret Knight, Christy Kropp, Rita and Leonard Lawson, Waymon Lockett, Palmer Lowery (B. Lawson), Dewey Milton, Jr. (Laura Stevens' future father-in-law), Ed Pace, Anne Peterson, Dr. Dan Prince, Louise Mauck Rawls, Barbara Regen, Darla Ritter, Doris Rogers (D. Bryson), Geneva Turner, Sarah V. Wells, and all our troops throughout the world.



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

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Neighbors, Nurture Each Other***

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