August 27, 2017



You are invited

Choir Potluck Supper Wed., Aug. 30, 5:45 PM

Attention music lovers! Be our guests! You are invited to dinner on **Wednesday, August 30, at 5:45 PM.** The Chancel Choir and Sanctuary Ringers are hosts and welcome anyone interested in learning more about either group to attend.

Family members are also included! The meal is being held in the **Session Room and Irby Classroom** upstairs. *Choir members and ringers, please bring extra food for guests.*

We hope that you will join us at **7:00 PM** for *Chancel Choir rehearsal* after supper. You wouldn't have to come to every rehearsal, and you don't need to have a solo voice to join, either. In fact, according to one member, "you only have to have one vital sign." If you would like to sing for a short time, whatever suits your schedule, you are welcome, too. *Handbell rehearsals* will begin **September 6, at 5:45 PM**. Talk to Cynthia Dobrinski if you're interested in joining Sanctuary Ringers. We need more ringers.

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What's Happening This Week

Thursday, August 24

Red Cross Bloodmobile, 2:00–6:00 PM, Elks Lodge, 300 Fairy Street. Our congregation supplies volunteers who check in donors and serve them at the canteen after they finish donating blood. If you can help, please contact Nancy Baker: (276) 638-7923, nbaker08@comcast.net.

NO Praise Band rehearsal this week.

Sunday 27

Two-Cents-a-Meal Offering, benefiting hunger programs within our Presbytery and beyond



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 class, Session Room

Chancel Choir, 10:30 AM, Choir Room, warm-up before service

Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Ushers: *Monty Montgomery, Jeri DeVault, Joe DeVault, Lang Mauck, Bill Stone

Liturgist: Lynn Pritchett

Childcare for infants and toddlers is provided all morning in the nursery under the Sanctuary. Children's Worship is offered for age 4 through 2nd grade during the 11:00 service after the Time with Young Disciples.

The Service for the Lord's Day, August 27 Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost (Ordinary Time)

Scripture Lessons

Exodus 1:8-2:10; Romans 12:1-8

Sermon by Rev. Mark Hinchcliff

"Even When You Think You Can't Make a Difference..."

Additional Lectionary Readings for Sunday

Psalm 124; Isaiah 51:1-6 & Psalm 138 Matthew 16:13-20

Full text of lectionary readings http://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=156

Monday 28

Session meeting, 7:00 PM, Session Room

Tuesday 29

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

Wednesday 30

Prayer Shawl Ministry, 4:00 PM, Session Room **Adult Music Covered Dish Supper, 5:45 PM**, Session Room & Irby Classroom, for singers and ringers and their families and anyone interested in joining us.



Weekday School Open House, 6:00 PM, WDS classrooms Chancel Choir, 7:00 PM, Choir Room. New singers are welcome to join!

Thursday 31

Praise Band, 5:30 PM, Chapel. *Note change of time this week only.* Rehearsal for Sundays, Sept. 3 & 10.

Sunday, September 3

Communion Sunday, both services

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 class, Session Room

Chancel Choir, 10:30 AM, Choir Room, warm-up before service

Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Ushers: *Dennis Casey, Rob King, Denise Unterbrink, Tom Unterbrink

Liturgist:

Communion Servers: *Teri Ferguson, +Nancy Baker, Dru Rothrock, David

Garland, Manly Boyd, Judy Ware, Bill Kirby, Smith Chaney Communion Prep/Clean-up team: Edgerton/Ferguson

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

Prayer Shawl Ministry Wed., Aug. 30, 4:00 PM



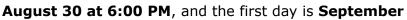
The Prayer Shawl Ministry invites anyone who would like to join us for a time of fellowship, knitting or crocheting, and sharing our works in progress at our monthly meeting in the Session Room. If you would like to learn how to knit or crochet, someone will be glad to teach you. There are shawls available now for

taking to anyone you might know, church member or not, who is in need of a little comfort. The shawls have been made with prayer and dedicated with prayer in a church service. To make them easier to find, some have been moved from the library to the Narthex and the hall between the Sanctuary and Office.

Classes begin Sept. 5

Weekday School Open House Aug. 30

The Weekday School will soon be under way with 54 students, ages 2, 3, and 4. Our Open House will be





5. We hope to see you all wandering around the church. Come see us! —Mary Lewis Johnston, WDS Director

Cooks Who Care Tuesday, September 5, 9:45 AM & 5:30 PM

Cooks Who Care needs volunteers on the first Tuesday of each month. The morning session begins with devotions, followed by cooking dishes to make complete meals. During the afternoon session, the meals are packaged individually and either delivered that day or frozen for future needs. Come join us!

Prayer Concerns

The following members and friends of our congregation need our prayers: Doc Altizer, Walter Anderson, Jack Beane (friend of the Stevens), Jonathan Bickett (N. Moore), Catherine Bridges, Jim Brunt (N. Davis' brother), Dot Bryson, Kimberly Bryson, Elaine Button, Charles Byrd (B. Lawson), Evelyn Clark, Ernie Cobb (M. Dunn), Tommy Cobb (M. Dunn), Virginia Coley (Dot Bryson's sister), Sandra B. Cox, Floyd Craig, Linda Drage, Jim



Ford, Palmer Lowery (B. Lawson), Regenia Noel (friend of the Stevens), Ed Pace, Anne Peterson, Louise Mauck Rawls, Posey Riedel (Ashby Pinkard's sister), Barbara Regen, Darla Ritter, Betty and Gene Stanley, Sarah V. Wells, persecuted Christians and all troops in defense of freedom throughout the world.

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

Please remember

to buy **peanut butter** for Grace Network and various **household and personal care** products for both the Southside Survivor Response Center shelter (former Rainbow House) and Grace Network when you do your regular shopping. Boxes for both are in the church hallways.



Our Mission

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

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