

October 8, 2017



# Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

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## Covered Dish

### Annual Church Picnic

**Sunday, October 8**

Come one, come all to our Fall Festival Picnic and Talent Show! Bring friends!

**4:00 PM**, Games on the Lawn (or indoors if it's raining)

**5:00 PM**, Covered Dish Supper, Fellowship Hall. Bring your favorites to share!

**6:00 PM**, Talent Show, Fellowship Hall. Acts are limited to no more than 5 minutes each.



Bean bag toss at the 2014 picnic

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## What's Happening This Week

### Thursday, October 5

**Praise Band, 5:30 PM**, Chapel (Note change of time for October)

### Saturday 7

**Unload Pumpkins for Grace Network, 8:00 AM**, Mulberry Road beside First Baptist Church parking lot. Many hands needed to unload the truck!



## Sunday 8

**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:* JoAnne Sanders

**Congregational Meeting, 12:05 PM**, to elect church officers

**Annual Church Picnic**

**4:00 PM** Games on the lawn

**5:00 PM** Covered Dish Supper, Fellowship Hall

**6:00 PM** Talent Show, Fellowship Hall

*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, October 8, 2017 18th Sunday after Pentecost (Ordinary Time)**

Scripture Lessons

**Exodus 20:1-4, 12-20; Matthew 21:33-46**

Sermon by Rev. Mark Hinchcliff

**"Don't Kill the Messenger"**

Additional Lectionary Readings for Sunday

**Psalm 19; Philippians 3:4b-14**

**Isaiah 5:1-7 and Psalm 80:7-15**

Full text of lectionary readings

<https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=162>

## Monday, October 9

**GPS, 3:00–5:00 PM**, music and Christian education for children K-8th grade

**Congregational Supper, 6:00 PM**, Fellowship Hall. Taco dinner provided by the Communications and Facilities Committees.

**Committee Meetings, 7:00 PM**



## Tuesday 10

**Steeple Views Deadline, 4:00 PM**. Please email information to Gael Chaney, [steepleviews@fpcmartinsvilleva.org](mailto:steepleviews@fpcmartinsvilleva.org).

## Wednesday 11

**Sanctuary Ringers, 5:45 PM**, Handbell Room

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

## Thursday 12

**Kiwanis Pancake Day, 6:30 AM–7:00 PM**, Broad Street Parking Lot, Uptown Martinsville. Tickets \$5 in advance available from Manly Boyd, Smith & Gael Chaney, David Garland, Bill Stone; \$6 at the door. Proceeds benefit children and youth in the area.



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

*Liturgist:* Milt Davis

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

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## Tacos!

### Congregational Supper

**Monday, October 9, 6:00 PM**

The Communications and Facilities Committees will prepare dinner for you Monday evening. All you have to do is show up! We are planning a taco bar with a variety of fillings and toppings sure to please everyone. Committees will meet after dinner at 7:00; we hope you'll join a committee, but even if you can't, you are welcome to come for dinner.



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## Grace Network Fundraiser



**Pumpkins are coming!** Join us at the First Baptist Church parking lot (Mulberry Road) this **Saturday, Oct 7, at 8:00 AM** to help unload the truck. We will also be at the Oktoberfest in Uptown Martinsville from **11:00 AM to 4:00 PM** that same Saturday selling pumpkins. Happy Fall Y'all!

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## Congregational Meeting to Elect Officers

**Sunday, October 8, 12:05 PM**

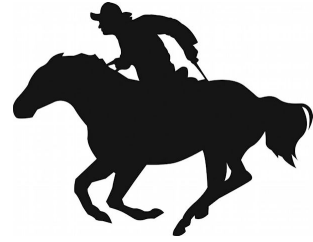
In the Presbyterian Church, we are governed by a Session of Elders elected by the congregation. This Sunday at the end of the 11 o'clock service, we will vote for the Class of 2020, plus an elder to fill an unexpired term. Trustees, who handle legal matters, will also be elected. Nominees for elder are Denny Casey (2nd term), Ron Rebman, and Kym Tatum. Sharon Kirby is nominated to fill the vacated term of Jeri DeVault. Nominees for trustee are Milt Davis and Duke Ferrell. Nominations from the floor must have prior consent of the person nominated.

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### **Call to Action**

#### **Move the Bags!**

Once again, our **Stewardship Campaign** is being conducted Pony Express style. Each neighborhood in the congregation will have a bag, a list of members in that neighborhood, and pledge cards for each of them. When the bag is brought to your house, please fill out your pledge card and seal it in the provided envelope, then cross your name off the list and deliver it to the next person or family below your name. In doing this, everyone in our local congregation will be called on by another member of the congregation. You are asked to keep the bag no longer than 48 hours in order to keep it moving and to complete our stewardship campaign by the end of October.



A captain is assigned to each neighborhood bag. Instructions, telephone numbers and addresses are provided in each. If you have any problems or issues, please contact the captain listed for your bag. Thank you for your assistance!

—Jeri DeVault, Stewardship Moderator

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### **Looking Ahead**

#### **Cottage Place Outreach**

**Monday, October 16, beginning at 5:00 PM**

The Mission Committee will host residents and staff of Cottage Place group home in the Fellowship Hall on Oct. 16 at 6:00 PM. This outreach ministry gives the residents of Cottage Place a chance to socialize during a time away from their home. It is heartwarming to see how much they enjoy these evenings out and how appreciative they are of all that is done for them. Help is needed beginning at **5:00 PM** to prepare the meal for clients and their caregivers. If you can help, contact





Contact Paul Cannaday (pcannaday@comcast.net or 252-8191) to volunteer. Cottage Place is our neighbor on Church Street Extension, just up the hill from the Lutheran Church.

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### ***Coming Soon***

## **Laity Sunday**

**October 22, 8:30 & 11:00 AM**

Cindy Edgerton, moderator of the Worship Committee, is looking for people to take various parts of the services for Laity Sunday. Denny Casey is preaching the sermon. If you would like to participate, contact Cindy at 732-2784 or [steveandcindy@earthlink.net](mailto:steveandcindy@earthlink.net).

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### ***Looking Ahead***

## **Trunk or Treat!**

**Sunday, October 29, 3:00–5:00 PM**

Back by popular demand, our festive and fun Trunk or Treat is just around the corner! We would love to have lots of trunks decorated and full of treats to give away—the more the merrier! Don't be shy about wearing your favorite costume. We welcome your help in getting the word out to area children in order to "share God's love, embrace our neighbors and nurture each other." Contact Leanna Blevins at 224-3143 or [blevinsleanna@yahoo.com](mailto:blevinsleanna@yahoo.com) to sign up.



Children and adults alike enjoy dressing up in costumes to try on a new persona or become a favorite character. Collecting or handing out tasty treats is fun, too! (Photo from Trunk or Treat 2014.)

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### ***Presbytery Seminar***

## **Church Development & Transformation**

**Thursday, October 26, 9:30 AM–3:00 PM**

Any Presbyterian is welcome to sign up for this seminar to be held at the Presbytery of the Peaks office, 1022 Floyd Street, Suite A, Lynchburg. Elders are especially encouraged to attend. To register online, go to [http://www.peaks-presbytery.org/index.php/events/rsvp-presbytery-of-the-peaks-congregations?task=individual\\_registration&event\\_id=85](http://www.peaks-presbytery.org/index.php/events/rsvp-presbytery-of-the-peaks-congregations?task=individual_registration&event_id=85)

The speaker will be the Rev. Dr. Ann Philbrick, who has served on the national

level of our denomination as Associate for Vital Congregations and now does independent consulting.

### **Goals of the Seminar**

- Educate Leaders in the Presbytery in the language of “transformation” and understanding models of small church “transformation”
  - Raise awareness of issues with New Worshipping Communities, New Church Developments and Church Development, Redevelopment, and Transformation
  - Creating a conversation about what is a vital, viable congregation and how do we (the Presbytery) lead or keep the conversation going?
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### **Community Outreach**

#### **Grace Network & SSRC Shelter**



**Muffin mix** is our new assignment for October through December for Grace Network's food pantry. **Deodorant, toothpaste, bath soap, toilet paper, feminine products, dish detergent, and laundry detergent** are always needed as well. These personal care and household items are also needed at the SSRC shelter (former Rainbow House/CAFV). Boxes for donations to both ministries are in the church hallways.

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### **Prayer Concerns**

Because Rita is on vacation this week, we are reprinting last week's prayer list: Doc Altizer, Walter Anderson, Jack Beane (M. Stevens), Catherine Bridges, Jim Brunt (N. Davis' brother), Chad Bryson, Dot Bryson, Kimberly Bryson, Elaine Button, Charles Byrd (B. Lawson), Evelyn Clark, Ernie Cobb (M. Dunn), Tommy Cobb (M. Dunn), Virginia Coley (D. Bryson's sister), Sandra B. Cox, Floyd Craig, Charles Gray (Kym Tatum's father), Jim Ford, Palmer Lowery (B. Lawson), Maesie Keith (infant daughter of Mary Mac Knighton Keith), Regenia Noel (M. Stevens), Ed Pace, Anne Peterson, Charles "Pete" Peterson (Anne's brother in-law), Posey Riedel (A. Pinkard's sister), Barbara Regen, Darla Ritter, Betty and Gene Stanley, Sarah V. Wells, Roger Williams (V. Esarey), persecuted Christians and all troops in defense of freedom throughout the world. Lang Mauck gives thanks that her daughter, Louise Mauck Rawls, is better and can come off the list.



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

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### **Our Mission**

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

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Moderator: Rev. Mark Hinchcliff

Clerk: Nancy Baker

Treasurer: Milton Davis

#### **Class of 2017**

Denny Casey: Facilities

Cindy Edgerton: Worship

Victoria Esarey: Congregational Care

#### **Class of 2018**

Jerri DeVault: Stewardship

Nancy Moore: Communications

Monica Stevens: Christian Education

#### **Class of 2019**

Bill Manning: Administration

Teri Ferguson: Fellowship

Paul Cannaday: Mission/Outreach

#### **TRUSTEES**

2017: Bob Davis, Joe DeVault

2018: Monty Montgomery, Henry Moore

2019: Reed Moore, Ralph Shank

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