March 11, 2018





Special Offering

Our denomination, PC(USA), conducts only four special offerings each year. During Lent or Easter, we are encouraged to participate in the **One Great Hour of Sharing**, which is divided among these denominational mission agencies:

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE (PDA)

- Works alongside communities as they recover and find hope after the devastation of natural or human-caused disasters
- Provides support for refugees
- Receives 32% of funds raised

PRESBYTERIAN HUNGER PROGRAM (PHP)

- Takes action to alleviate hunger and systemic causes of poverty so all may be fed
- Promotes care for creation
- Funds Hunger Action Advocate, who administers 2 Cents a Meal
- Receives 36% of funds raised

SELF-DEVELOPMENT OF PEOPLE (SDOP)

• Invests in communities responding to their experiences of oppression, poverty and injustice and educates Presbyterians about the impact of these issues

• Receives 32% of funds raised

Envelopes are in the pew racks. Please give generously! (Make checks payable to "First Presbyterian Church.")

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What's Happening at FPC

Thursday, March 8 Praise Band, 7:00 PM, Chapel

Daylight Time Begins! Sunday, March 11

Unlock/Lock up: Neil Tatum/Joe DeVault 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 (Room 134, upper level) Chancel Choir, 10:30 AM, Choir Room, warm-up before service Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary Ushers: Ralph Shank, Jr., Bob Davis, Harold Lamm, Henry Moore Liturgist: Gael Chaney



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, March 11, 2018 Fourth Sunday in Lent Scripture Lessons Ephesians 2:1-10; Numbers 21:4-9 Sermon by Rev. Mark Hinchcliff "Dying But Given Life!" Additional Lectionary Readings for Sunday Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22; John 3:14-21 Full text of lectionary readings lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=74 www.presbyterianmission.org/devotion/revised-common-lectionary/

Next Week at FPC

Monday, March 12

GPS, 3:00 PM, Music and Christian Education for grades K-8 **Congregational Supper, 6:00 PM**, Fellowship Hall, Menu: Tacos **Committee Meetings, 7:00 PM**

Tuesday, March 13

Lenten Lunch & Devotional, 12:00 Noon, Broad Street Christian Church Steeple Views Deadline, 4:00 PM. Please email information to Gael Chaney, steepleviews@fpcmartinsvilleva.org.

Wednesday, March 14

Facilities Work Session, 5:00 PM. Contact Denny Casey (632-8306, d.a.casey@comcast.net) if you can help or need more information.
Sanctuary Ringers, 5:45 PM, Handbell Room
Chancel Choir, 7:00 PM, Choir Room. New singers are welcome to join!

Thursday, March 15

Praise Band, 7:00 PM, Chapel

Saturday, March 17

Free Community Breakfast, 7:00 AM, volunteers begin preparing; 8:00–9:30 AM, serving, Fellowship Hall & Kitchen. Contact Sharon Kirby (<u>skirbycwj@gmail.com</u>, 806-9709) or Paul Cannaday (<u>pcannaday@comcast.net</u>, 252-8191) for more information.

Sunday, March 18

Unlock/Lock up: Johnny Pinkard/? 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 (Room 134, upper level) Chancel Choir, 10:30 AM, Choir Room, warm-up before service Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary Ushers: Monty Montgomery, Milt Davis, Nancy Davis, Joan Montgomery Liturgist: ?

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

Monday

Congregational Supper & Committees March 12, 6:00 PM

Our monthly congregational supper is hosted by the Fellowship Committee, and they are planning to serve tacos with delicious toppings. Everyone is invited!



After dinner, committees will meet in various rooms around the church. If you can join a committee and help with the work of our congregation, that would be great! But even if you can't stay, you are welcome to come to supper.



Order Now

Memorial Easter Lilies

Order forms are now available for lilies to place in the Sanctuary in memory or in honor of loved ones this Easter. The cost is \$8 each, and the deadline for paid orders is **Sunday, March 18**. If you can't be in church between now and then, call the church office (632-

3431) and mail a check.

Two Remaining

Lenten Lunches and Devotions Tuesdays, 12:00 Noon

The devotions will be brief, and we should be finished in an hour. Lunch will be soup and bread.

March 13, at Broad Street Christian Church, 106 Broad St., devotional by Rev. Mike Carrow of Calvary Christian March 20, at First United Methodist Church, 147 E. Main

St., devotional by Fr. Nick Hull of Christ Episcopal



Volunteers Needed

Facilities Work Sessions

The Facilities Committee will be working around the church building and grounds on these dates:



- Wednesday, March 14, 5:00-6:00 PM
- Saturday, March 31, 9:30-11:00 AM
- Wednesday, April 11, 5:00-6:00 PM
- Wednesday, May 9, 5:00-6:00 PM

For more information or to volunteer, contact Denny Casey (632-8306, <u>d.a.casey@ comcast.net</u>).

Looking Ahead Holy Week Events

Palm Sunday, March 25



Palm Sunday in the Park, 9:45 AM, Wilson Park (at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church if inclement weather)

Traditional Service, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Contemporary Worship, 8:30 AM, Chapel

Maundy Thursday, March 29

Maundy Thursday Communion/Good Friday Tenebrae Service, 6:00 PM, Fellowship Hall & Sanctuary, communion by intinction

Good Friday, March 30

Good Friday Service, 6:00 PM, at Grace Presbyterian, 218 Fayette Street, led by Rev. Hinchcliff

Resurrection Sunday/Easter, April 1

Easter Sunrise Service, 6:45 AM, at Lake Lanier Easter Breakfast, 9:30 AM, Fellowship Hall Sunday School, 10:00 AM Easter Egg Hunt, 10:15 AM, playground (indoors if inclement weather) Easter Worship Service with Communion, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary VBS is June 25-29 at First Presbyterian



Prayer Concerns

The following members and friends of our congregation need our prayers: Doc Altizer, Walter Anderson, Sonny and Sue Benfield, Jim Brunt (N. Davis' brother), Dot Bryson, Grant Bryson, Kimberly Bryson, Bud Buffkin, Elaine Button, Smith Chaney, Evelyn Clark, Tommy Cobb (M. Dunn), Janet Cox, Sandra Bryson Cox, Gary Francisco (Shanna King's father), Jean Hill, Jeannie Hinchie (D. Bryson), Shirley Marshall, Regenia Noel (M. Stevens), Bailey Osborne



(B. Lawson), Ed Pace, Amy Bryson Peck, Anne Peterson, Barbara Regen, Betty and Gene Stanley, Jane Townsend, Sarah V. Wells, Roger Williams (V. Esarey), Devin and Thomas Woronowicz (B. Lawson), Elizabeth Wotring, 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, <u>office@fpcmartinsvilleva.org</u>).

Please remember

Saltine Crackers for Grace Network

Our assignment for Grace Network's food pantry for January through March is **saltine crackers in the 16ounce box**. Deodorant, toothpaste, bath soap, feminine products, dish detergent, laundry detergent, and toilet paper are also distributed to food pantry clients. 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.

Our Mission

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

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www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/page.cfm/topic/newsletter

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