

August 5, 2018



Steeple Views

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MARTINSVILLE, VA

Invitation

Join Cooks Who Care!

Tuesday, August 7, 9:45 AM & 5:30 PM

Cooks Who Care would love to have more volunteers to help prepare delicious meals or package and deliver them. The morning session begins with a devotional, then food is prepared under the direction of the chefs for the month, which rotates among several of our congregation's best cooks. During the afternoon session, the food is packaged in meal-sized portions and delivered or put in the freezer for future needs as they arise. Perhaps you have been a recipient at one time or another? If you are able, consider helping with this ministry, which is a blessing both to the recipients of the food and to the cooks. Contact Judy Ware, 666-2269, je_ware@yahoo.com, for more information.



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What's Happening at FPC

Wednesday, Aug. 1

Chancel Choir, 7:00 PM, Choir Room, new singers welcome!

Thursday, Aug. 2

Praise Band, 7:00 PM, Chapel



Saturday, Aug. 4

Back-2-School Main Event, 7:30 PM–1:00 PM, Lower Level. If you have not signed up to volunteer and would like to, please contact Tracy Hinchcliff, tracyhair60@gmail.com, 409-330-0847, as soon as possible.

Sunday, Aug. 5

Unlock/Lock up: Johnny Pinkard/?

Communion Sunday, both services

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Davis/Pritchett

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)

Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Ushers: *Dennis Casey, Billy Kirby, Rob King, Buck Flythe

Liturgist: Lynn Pritchett

Communion Servers: *Neil Tatum, +Duke Ferrell, Liz Ferrell, Victoria Esarey, Denny Casey, Paul Cannaday, Bill Manning, Kym Tatum

Organ Concert, 4:00 PM, First Baptist Church, 23 Starling Ave., John Alexander, organist First Presbyterian Greensboro

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.

Services at 8:30 & 11:00 AM

The Service for the Lord's Day, August 5, 2018 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost—Ordinary Time

Scripture Lessons

John 6:24–35; Psalm 51:1–12

Sermon by Rev. Mark Hinchcliff

"Spiritual Food Which Always Satisfies"

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Additional Lectionary Readings for Sunday

2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a; Ephesians 4:1-16

Full text of lectionary readings

www.presbyterianmission.org/devotion/revised-common-lectionary/

Monday, Aug. 6

Extended Table, 2:00 PM, King's Grant

Worship Committee, 7:00 PM

Tuesday, Aug. 7

Cooks Who Care, 9:45 AM & 5:30 PM, Marge Dunn Kitchen.

Volunteers are needed to prepare and package meals for those in need. Contact Judy Ware (666-2269 or je_ware@yahoo.com) for more information.

Steeple Views Deadline, 4:00 PM. Please email information to steepleviews@fpcmartinsvilleva.org for this two-week printed edition.

COOKS WHO CARE



Wednesday, Aug. 8

Sanctuary Ringers is on summer break.

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

Thursday, Aug. 9

NO Praise Band (Deborah Burgess on vacation)

Saturday, Aug. 11

Rehearsal for Hymn Fest choir, 10:00 AM, First Baptist Church, 23 Starling Ave.

Contact Robert Chapman, rchapman@bsccdoc.comcastbiz.net, if you would like to participate.

Sunday, Aug. 12

Unlock/Lock up: Neil Tatum/Denny Casey

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)

Traditional Worship, 11:00 AM, Sanctuary

Blessing our College Students (during the service)

Ushers: *Monty Montgomery, David Garland, Bill Manning, Dru Rothrock

Liturgist: Grayson Russell

Lemonade on the Lawn, 12:05 PM (immediately following the 11 o'clock service)

Hymn Fest, 4:00 PM, First Baptist Church, 23 Starling Ave. Sing along with organ and community choir.

Tuesday, Aug. 14

Steeple Views Deadline, 4:00 PM. Please email information to Gael Chaney,

steepleviews@fpcmartinsvilleva.org.

Wednesday, Aug. 15

Sanctuary Ringers is on summer break.

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

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

Chancel Choir

New Singers Needed

The Chancel Choir resumes practice after their summer break on **Wednesday, August 1, at 7:00 PM**. Choir members would be delighted to welcome anyone who likes to sing to come and join them! No previous training or experience is required, and singers are needed in all sections.

If you are out of town a lot, you can still participate in Chancel Choir. Many of our choir members cannot come to every practice but still participate. Both long-term and short-term members are welcome. Music is practiced in advance so if you are absent sometimes, you can still learn the music. If you need to put children to bed, you are welcome to come to part of practice and then leave. The choir practices from 7:00 to 8:30 PM.

We hope you will prayerfully consider serving the Lord in the choir. A solo voice is not required. If you are able to carry a tune, you are needed. If you need a ride to church or child care during practice, we can arrange it.



Sunday School

"The Good and Beautiful Community"

The Adult Sunday School class began a new study last Sunday, July 29, but it's not too late to join the class. The book is *The Good and Beautiful Community* by James Bryan Smith, and the discussion will be lead by Monica Stevens. The books are in the Session room and the cost is \$10.00. Class begins at **10:00 AM**.

Nominations

Called to Serve

Election of Church Officers

"Christ's ministry is the foundation and standard for all ministry, the pattern of the one who came, "not to be served but to serve" (Matt. 20:28)....Those who undertake particular ministries should be persons of strong faith, dedicated discipleship, and love of Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. Their manner of life should be a demonstration of the Christian gospel in the church and in the world" (PCUSA Book of Order G-2.0101, 2.0104)

Discerning God's Call

As we seek to identify those who are called serve, consider the following characteristics, skills and commitments to the life of faith and the ministry of the church:

- Regular attendance in worship
- Participation in church activities
- Cooperative, with ability to work with others
- Willingness to learn and be open to new ideas
- Conscientious, with ability to follow through on tasks

- Demonstrates a Christian spirit in dealing with others
- Commitment to the government and discipline of the PC(USA)

Ruling Elders

Elders should be “persons of wisdom and maturity of faith, having demonstrated skills in leadership and being compassionate in spirit.” (Book of Order G-2.0301) We are seeking three persons to serve a full three-year term (class of 2021). The year of the term runs from January through December.

Trustees

Trustees exercise responsibility “to receive, hold, encumber, manage, and transfer property, real or personal, for the congregation.” (Book of Order G-4.0101) We are seeking two persons to serve a full three-year term (class of 2021). The year of the term runs from January to December.

All members of the congregation are invited to submit suggestions to the Nomination Committee for the slate of ruling elders and trustees. All active members of First Presbyterian Church are eligible to hold office.

Members of the Nomination Committee

Moderator Susan Pilson, Officiator Mark Hinchcliff, Kim Boyd, Dru Rothrock, and Kent Williams

Nomination Form

Do you know a man or woman of our congregation of strong faith?

Do you know a member with dedicated discipleship?

Who exhibits the love of Jesus Christ in their lives?

Please suggest these people.

A list of current officers is at the bottom of this newsletter.

I would like to suggest the following persons to serve:

Elders

Class of 2021

Trustees

Class of 2021

Please return this form through the offering plate or the church office.

Please come

Blessing Our College Students

Pastor Mark will have a special blessing of our college students during the **11:00 AM** worship service on **Sunday, August 12**. All of our college students and their families are specially invited to attend. The congregation may greet them after the service during **Lemonade on the Lawn**.



Apartment Fire

Donations Requested

Donations to help Piedmont Community Service's clients, whose apartment building recently burned down, may be dropped off at Grace Network. Checks may be written to Grace Network and should have "Piedmont" on the memo line to be directed to the right place. They currently have 35 clients in need of toiletries, clothing, and meals.

Happy Birthday in August!

- 1 David Chittum, Anne Peterson
- 2 Lynn Beeler, Dwight Christenbury
- 3 Marge Dunn
- 5 Bob Richeson
- 6 Walt Flythe
- 9 Liz Ferrell, John Luther
- 10 Frances Bledsoe
- 11 Melissa Wingfield
- 12 Beth Lawson
- 13 Chuck Cundiff
- 17 Maggie Pilson Bush, Martha Pilson Hice
- 19 Bill Plonk
- 21 Bill Stone
- 22 Laura Buffkin, Johnny Pinkard, Kym Tatum
- 23 Anne Abercrombie
- 24 Nan Smith
- 29 Stuart Beard, Joe Williams
- 31 Dot Bryson



Birthdays were copied from the Instant Church Directory. If you would like yours added, please contact Rita in the church office: office@fpcmartinsvilleva.org, 632-3431.

Prayer Requests

The following members and friends of our congregation need our prayers: Anne Abercrombie, Ken Ashley, Doc Altizer, Walter Anderson, Lex Bendell (L. Ferrell), Marilyn Bremner (S. Ford), Jim Brunt (N. Davis' brother), Dot Bryson, Kimberly

Bryson, Bud Buffkin, Alexandria Chaney (daughter-in-law of Smith and Gael), Evelyn Clark, Tommy Cobb (M. Dunn), Janet Cox, Sandra Bryson Cox, Daniel Handy, Helen Hawkes, Jean Hill, Jeannie Hinchie (D. Bryson), Christy Kropp, Eddie Levi, Regenia Noel (M. Stevens), Ed Pace, Amy Bryson Peck, Anne Peterson, Barbara Regen, Walt Seamon, Sarah V. Wells, Roger Williams (V. Esarey), persecuted Christians and all troops in defense of freedom throughout the world.



Presbytery Prayer Focus

Trinity Ecumenical Parish, Moneta, led by **Rev. Philip Bouknight** and **Rev. Bea Miller**, founded 1991, 293 members (Presbyterian)

Sinking Spring Presbyterian Church, Hot Springs, led by **Commissioned Pastor Gary Pillow**, founded 1889, 34 members

New Dublin Presbyterian Church, Dublin, led by **Rev. Steve Willis**, founded 1769, 135 members

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

Thank You

Gifts to the Church
In memory of Billie DePuy
Colleen Dallas

Please remember

Breakfast Cereal for Grace Network

Our assignment for July, August, and September for Grace Network's food pantry is CEREAL, 12- to 18-ounce boxes. Deodorant, toothpaste, bath soap, feminine products, dish detergent, laundry detergent, and toilet paper are also distributed to food pantry clients. 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

Printed copies of Steeple Views are available at church. Current and back issues are also on our website:
www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/page.cfm/topic/newsletter

Useful Links

FPC website: www.firstpresbyterianmartinsville.org/ or www.fpcmartinsvilleva.org/
FPC online directory: members.instantchurchdirectory.com/
FPC Facebook page: www.facebook.com/FPCMartinsvilleVA
Presbytery of the Peaks: www.peakspresbytery.org/
Presbyterian Church (USA): www.pcusa.org/
Daily Bible Readings: www.presbyterianmission.org/devotion/daily/

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THE SESSION

Moderator: Rev. Mark Hinchcliff

Clerk: Nancy Baker

Treasurer: Henry Moore

Class of 2018

Sharon Kirby: Mission/Outreach

Nancy Moore: Stewardship/Communications

Monica Stevens: Christian Education

Class of 2019

Paul Cannaday: Mission/Outreach

Teri Ferguson: Worship

Susan Pilson, Congregational Care

Class of 2020

Denny Casey: Facilities

Ron Rebman: Administration

Kym Tatum: Fellowship

TRUSTEES

2018: Monty Montgomery, Henry Moore

2019: Reed Moore, Ralph Shank

2020: Milton Davis, Duke Ferrell

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