

# Beyond the Columns



## A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

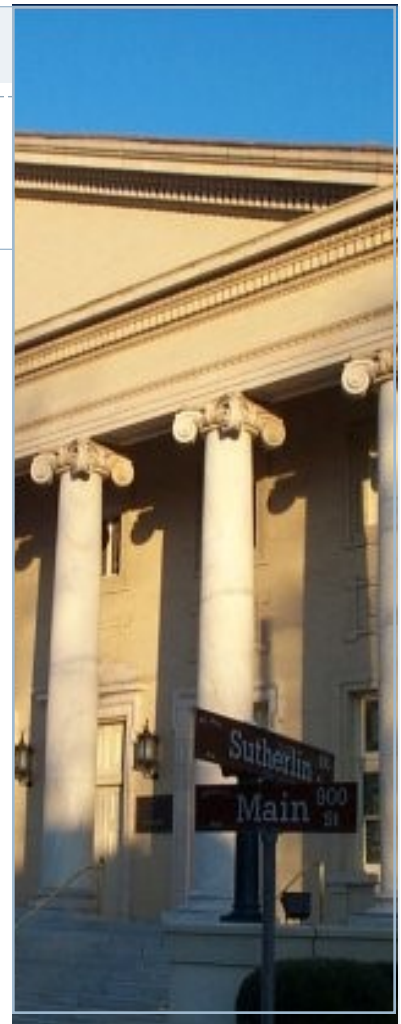
You probably noticed that our newsletter is a bit more streamlined than it has been in the past. For those of you who receive a paper copy, it is probably a bit lighter. For those who read online...maybe it downloaded a little faster?

We have received very positive feedback on our expanded weekly emails, which now include prayer concerns and announcements. Because you now receive more information weekly, we have reduced the size of the newsletter. I would like to thank our newsletter sub-committee (Marie-Louise Crane, Susan Mathena, and David Parris) for all of their work in producing the newsletter, and Christy Edgar for working to make our communications more efficient and attractive.

In addition to adapting our methods of communication, Session has also approved a plan to add video recording of our worship services. This will be especially helpful to those who are unable to attend worship, and it will allow us to connect with a broader range of people. Hopefully we will be able to introduce these options this month.

Speaking of April, it will be quite busy! We welcome our Day School families on April 2, observe Palm Sunday on April 9, host our neighbors throughout Holy Week on April 10-14, and celebrate Easter Sunday on April 16. We will host our neighbors again for a special community prayer service on April 17!

Even though it will be busy, it is our opportunity to put our best feet forward in worship and in hospitality, showing and sharing the joy that we have in Christ's resurrection. I look forward to another Easter season with you, and to seeing you in April!



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## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- New Features: Stewardship in Action, Recipe of the Month, and more.

# 2017 April

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>Mar 31</b>	<b>1</b> 10:45 AM Bib. Study 11:15 AM Lunch Program; Fellowship Hall
<b>2</b> <b>Day School Sunday</b> 9:00 AM Worship Cmte. 9:45 AM Sun. Sch. 10:40 AM Fellowship; Juice Room 11:00 AM Worship 12:00 PM Day School Sunday Celebration; Overby Room	<b>3</b> 9:30 AM Prayer Group 10:00 AM PW Coordinating Council 10:00 AM Staff Mtg. 12:30 PM Day Circle 7:00 PM Evening Circle	<b>4</b> 5:15 PM Handbells 6:00 PM Deacons 7:00 PM Property Cmte.	<b>5</b> 12:15 PM Chapel 6:00 PM Wed. Supper 6:00 PM Youth	<b>6</b> 5:30 PM Ch. Choir	<b>7</b> <b>Office closed</b>	<b>8</b> 10:45 AM Bib. Study 11:15 AM Lunch Program; Fellowship Hall
<b>9</b> <b>PALMSUNDAY</b> 9:00 AM Administrative Committee; Room 108 9:45 AM Sun. Sch. 10:40 AM Fellowship; Juice Room 11:00 AM Worship	<b>10</b> 9:30 AM Prayer Group 10:00 AM Staff Mtg. 11:00 AM VIP 12:00 PM Holy Week Service & Lunch	<b>11</b> 12:00 PM Holy Week Service & Lunch 5:15 PM Handbells 7:00 PM Session	<b>12</b> 12:00 PM Holy Week Service & Lunch 6:00 PM Youth	<b>13</b> 12:00 PM Holy Week Service & Lunch 5:30 PM Ch. Choir	<b>14</b> <b>Office closed</b> 12:00 PM Holy Week Service & Lunch	<b>15</b> 8:00 AM Men's breakfast 10:45 AM Bib. Study 11:15 AM Lunch Program; Fellowship Hall
<b>16</b> <b>EASTER SUNDAY</b> 9:00 AM Missions Committee 9:45 AM Sun. Sch. 10:40 AM Fellowship; Juice Room 11:00 AM Worship	<b>17</b> <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> 9:30 AM Prayer Group 10:00 AM Staff Mtg. 7:00 PM Community Prayer Service (Sanctuary)	<b>18</b> 5:15 PM Handbells	<b>19</b> 12:15 PM Chapel	<b>20</b> 5:30 PM Ch. Choir 6:00 PM Scottish Society Tartan Dinner	<b>21</b> <b>Office closed</b>	<b>22</b> 10:45 AM Bib. Study 11:15 AM Lunch Program; Fellowship Hall
<b>23</b> 9:45 AM Sun. Sch. 10:40 AM Fellowship; Juice Room 11:00 AM Worship	<b>24</b> 9:30 AM Prayer Group 10:00 AM Staff Mtg. 4:30 PM Christian Education Meeting; Parlor 6:30 PM Membership Cmte.	<b>25</b> 5:15 PM Handbells	<b>26</b> 12:15 PM Chapel 6:00 PM Youth	<b>27</b> 5:30 PM Ch. Choir	<b>28</b> <b>Office closed</b>	<b>29</b> 10:45 AM Bib. Study 11:15 AM Lunch Program; Fellowship Hall
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Join us for our April 5 Finale for **Family Night Supper**.

**Reservations** are taken in the juice room on Sunday, or contact [christy@fpcdanville.com](mailto:christy@fpcdanville.com) for reservations.

Tickets are \$6 per person with a family maximum of \$18.

**Menu:** Meatloaf, Potatoes, Steamed Vegetables, Salad, Strawberry Pie and Lemon Chess Pie

**Program:** Spring Sing with Handbells, soloists, and a hymn sing

**Chapel Time**, Wednesdays, 12:15 p.m.

A brief mid-week time for prayer and worship

### **FPC Holy Week Schedule: April 10-14, 2017**

*Chapel Services (Sutherlin Ave. entrance) at Noon; Free Lunch in Fellowship Hall at 12:30*

#### **Guest Preachers:**

Monday, April 10

**Rev. Bart Fletcher**, Mt. Vernon United Methodist Church

Tuesday, April 11

**Rev. John Carroll**, First Baptist Church

Wednesday, April 12

**Rev. Becky Crites**, Episcopal Church of the Epiphany

Thursday, April 13

**Rev. Dr. Ralph K. Hawkins**, Averett University

Friday, April 14

**Dr. Gary Tucker**, College Park Baptist Church

Join us for a **Community Prayer Service** for the City of Danville in the Sanctuary on April 17 at 7 p.m.



Contact Jackson for details: [Jackson@fpcdanville.com](mailto:Jackson@fpcdanville.com) or 434.792.7822 ext. 3

**Children:** April 9: Palm Parade and Processional

April 16: Easter Egg Hunt and Party

**Youth:** April 1-2 Camping

April 5: Youth Group/Family Night Supper

April 12 and 26: Youth Group (Note: Youth Group will not meet on 4/19)

April 22: Lunch Ministry



## PRAYERS AND PRAISES

### PASTORAL CONCERNS—

Kevin Bailey,  
Martha Bell,  
Chuck Bolt, Lisa  
Bolt, Alice &  
Randy Bradshaw,  
Beth Brown, Bill

Brown, Claire Campbell, Nelson R. Clark, Judy Cox (Kristen Cox's sister-in-law), Ruby Crowell, Maude Dalton, Rev. Cecil Eanes, Clarence Edmunds, Bill Erwin, Sarah Fisher (Sally Clark's Mother), Pauline Fitts, Betty Fitzgerald, Guy Fowlkes, Fred Gunn, Lois Hayes, Christina Hermetz (Kelsey Thompson's sister), Tim Hooker, Kathy Huggins, Kay Huggins (son-in-law of Thomas and Alice Saunders), Conner Jones, Jana Keen and family, Angela Langford, Ruth Lawton, Larry Mann, Thelma Meadors, Carolyn Miles, Larry Miller, Alma

Moran, A. B. Motley, Debbie Perrin Neal, Ella Ryan, Alice Saunders, Lynn Saunders, Alan Sweeney, Linda Terriberry  
**ON THE MEND**--(Praise & Gratitude for improved condition) Martha Bell, James Cannon, Kelvin Gunn, Flo Hall, Libby Hodge, Grace Litzenberg, Thomas Peyton Mahaffey, Lee Norman, Mary Ann Shelton, Russell Vandiver, Jean White, Nancy Wilson

**OUR VIPs**—Ruby Crowell, Maude Dalton, Rev. Cecil Eanes, Clarence Edmunds, Bill Erwin, Lois Hayes, Kathy Huggins, Ruth Lawton, Grace Litzenberg, Malcolm Mallery, Thelma Meadors, Carolyn Miles, A. B. Motley, Linda Terriberry, Nultie Wiseman

**CONDOLENCES**—To the family of Rev. Greg Nunley and the Membership of Williamson Memorial Presbyterian Church.

### CAREGIVERS

### THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

## SATURDAY LUNCH MINISTRY

**WHAT:** Serving a hot lunch to the community

**WHEN:** Every Saturday; volunteers work from 10:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. Lunch is served at 11:30 a.m.

**WHO:** Different groups are in charge each week. **EXTRA HELP IS ALWAYS APPRECIATED!** Cooking, clean up, greeting, Bible Study, chatting with guests.

April 1: Women's Circle

April 8: Westover Baptist

April 15: Unity Presbyterian

April 22: FPC Youth

April 29: Outlook Class



- The **Missions Committee** is looking for new **volunteers**. Our need especially is for new contacts for some of our missionaries. Contact Gary Wimer at 434.797.4138 or the church office.

- **Bradley Long**, former pastor at Forest Hills Presbyterian Church, Martinsville, who led the vision trip to Turkey in 2015, together with his young family will become **missionaries** with Antioch Partners as of September 2017. Those who wish to support them in their ministry can send a check to the church office with the notation Long Fund.

- A **class for people seeking to become members** of First Presbyterian will be held during the Sunday School hour on April 2 & 9, beginning at 9:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.
- **School and Health Kits deadline has been extended to April 9!**
- Easter will be here soon and Holy Week even sooner. If you can help with **the lunches from April 10-14**, please contact Marie-Louise Crane. We can sure use your help!
- Sunday Servers Needed: **Liturgists, Children's Chat, Sound System Operators**. If you feel a calling to serve in any of these areas, please email Brenna Takata at brenna5008@gmail.com or call the church office and leave a message with Christy.
- Small Group Gathering: Every Monday morning (when church is open) for **Prayer in the Parlor** at 9:30 a.m. Please consider joining us.

—Linda Copeland and Marie-Louise Crane

- **Backpack Packing:** FPC is packing backpacks for the Backpack Weekend Program. Packing occurs the first Thursday of each month. Contact Nancy Wilson to help.





## SUNDAY FLOWERS

### Flowers on the Reredos

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary in praise and to the glory of God and...

**April 9:** the palms that enhance our worship are given in loving memory of our parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Riley Haynesworth, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs.

Raymond T. Beale  
by Harriet and Ray Beale.

**April 16:** The cross of lilies are given to the glory of God, and in loving memory of the Temple and Wilson families.

Open dates are available for April. For information, please contact Rebecca Atkinson at 434.203.1666 or rebeccaatkinson@comcast.net.

After the service, flowers are distributed to those persons on our prayer list or as directed by the sponsor. In charge of this month's distribution is Day Circle.

**DEADLINE FOR EASTER LILY ORDERS IS April 2.** Please contact Christy in the church office at christy@fpcdanville.com or 434.792.7822.



### VIP OF THE WEEK

Please remember our VIPs in prayer each week and drop them a card or note to let them know how much they are loved.

**Apr. 2** Clarence Edmonds  
Bright Leaf Place  
432 Hermitage Dr. Danville, Va. 24541

**Apr. 9** Goldie Keesee  
Roman Eagle Rehabilitation  
2526 North Main St. Danville, Va. 24541

**Apr. 16** Chuck Bolt  
133 Westmoreland Ct. Danville, Va. 24541

**Apr. 23** Charlotte Lowther  
345 Mowbray Arch Danville, Va. 24541

**Apr. 30** Libby Hodge  
Bridgewater Home, Room 336  
302 N. Second St. Bridgewater, Va. 22812



### PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

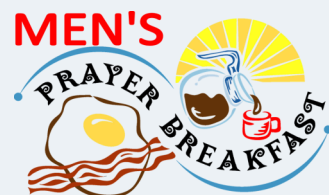
Monday, April 3

Coordinating Council will meet at 10 a.m. in Room 108.

Bible Study at 12:30 p.m. in Room 108

Evening Circle will meet at 7 p.m. in the home of

Karan Johnson  
320 Hawthorne Drive



### MEN OF THE CHURCH

Breakfast and Fellowship  
April 22nd at 8 a.m.

We will finish the study on Abraham. Join us!

**On April 8 the Deacons are organizing a special meal for our Lunch Ministry guests to celebrate Easter. If you would like to sign up to help in any way (food or serving) contact Susan Mathena or Harriet Beale.**

Make  
a note

## COMMITTEE UPDATES

**Worship Committee**  
Jarrod Brown, Chair

Worship Committee will meet on Sunday, April 2 at 9 a.m. in the Parlor.

**Administrative Committee**  
Ray Beale, Chair

Administrative Committee will meet on Sunday, April 9 at 9 a.m. in room 108.

**Christian Education Committee**  
Brenna Takata, Chair

Christian Education will meet on Monday, April 24 at 4:30 p.m. in the Parlor.



A list of duties, committee Information, and more is available at

<http://fpcdanville.com/duties-and-committees/>

## PRESBYTERIAN MISSION EMPHASIS

Bill and Ann Moore are missionaries to Japan. With a tiny Christian population, they have been charged with developing a new church in a rural/suburban community of Japan. The church they started is in Nishitani, a rural and suburban community just north of the Osaka/Kobe metro area. They are responsible for evangelistic outreach, pastoral care, preaching, and organizational leadership.

Japan is the 10th most populous country in the world. Without the

ministry of the Moores, this new church development would not have been possible.

Remember Bill Moore's birthday this month, April 24. Ann Moore's birthday was March 12.



*Ann and Bill Moore  
William.moore@pcusa.org or  
ann.moore@pcusa.org*

## NEWS FROM CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

**Day School Sunday** is on April 2. The Christian Education Committee will be honoring and recognizing the Day School families and teachers for their contribution to the Christian education at our church.

Save the Dates for **Vacation Bible School** for children and adults: June 19-22, 2017!

## STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION

"Stewardship" means different things to different people. With that in mind, The Stewardship Committee would like to raise awareness of acts of stewardship that happen in our church. This month, we would like to focus on **Nultie Wiseman**.

How many of you have received a birthday card from Nultie? My guess would be everyone! How does it make you feel when you receive this card? Happy, warm, appreciative, are some of the feelings that come to mind. Nultie has done this for many years and thoroughly enjoys "giving" to the congregation in this way. This is truly a special form of stewardship that we can all learn from. Thanks Nultie!



## HASHBROWN CASSEROLE

COURTESY OF RUTH MEADORS

*This is great for breakfast, brunch, or lunch, either with your Easter Ham or as an accompaniment to the leftovers. Many of you will have had this dish at Wednesday Night Supper!*

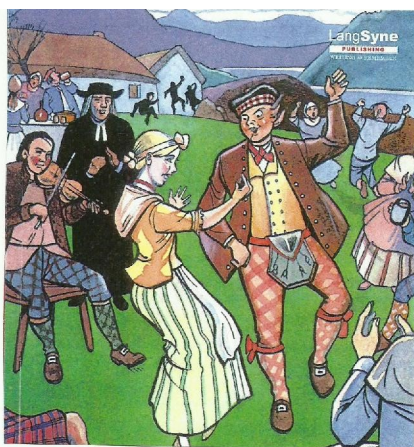
1 2 lb package hash browns  
8 oz. sour cream  
8 oz. Mild cheddar cheese, grated  
2 cans cream of potato soup or 1 can potato/1 can cream of mushroom  
1/4 cup parmesan cheese  
Salt and pepper

Mix first 4 ingredients together. Pour in dish. Sprinkle parmesan cheese, salt & pepper on top. Bake at 300 degrees for 1 1/2 hours.



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The study topic for the **Bible Fellowship Class** is  
“Sovereign Providence” from *Tabletalk*.



VIRGINIA-CAROLINA SCOTTISH SOCIETY'S  
TARTAN DINNER & CEILIDH  
Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 PM  
First Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall  
937 Main Street, Danville, VA

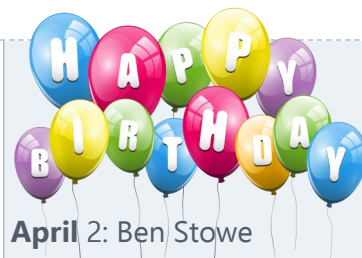
Dinner with Scottish dishes followed by a Ceilidh.  
A “Ceilidh” in Scotland is an informal gathering  
with folk music, singing, dancing, and storytelling.

Dr. Regina Christianson - Celtic harp  
Stephen Whiteley, M. Mus. - guitar  
Tim Carpenter - bagpipes  
Heather Anderson - piano  
Sherry Gott - vocalist  
Dr. Jarrod Brown - vocalist  
John Wilt - vocalist

Display and information on Scottish Highland Clans & Tartans.



Cost for dinner and entertainment is \$12.00 per person.  
For information contact Bill Smith, FSA Scot at (434) 793-7432.



**April 2:** Ben Stowe  
**3:** Linda Copeland,  
Dave Zook  
**4:** Catherine Shelton  
**5:** Philip Baughman  
Will Brown  
**14:** Trevor Brown  
**15:** Zane Evans  
**16:** Lisa Brown  
**19:** Charlotte Lowther  
**20:** Luis Abreu, Ina Ingram  
**22:** Maude Dalton,  
Gwen Baucom  
**25:** Alice Saunders  
Jennifer Whitley  
**28:** Kelsey Thompson  
**30:** Melva Sweeney,  
Bracken Erwin  
**Anniversaries:** April 5  
Ray and Harriet Beale

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Founded in 1826, we were the first organized congregation in Danville. Our sanctuary and offices are located at 937 Main St, next door to the Sutherlin Mansion and Museum and a few blocks west of downtown.

On Sundays, Sunday School classes meet at 9:45 AM and worship services are at 11:00 AM in the sanctuary. For all other events, please see our calendar and missions page. You can also follow us on Twitter and like us facebook.

You can reach us at  
(434) 792-7822 or  
office@fpcdanville.com

## BOWLING WITH FPC CHILDREN: A GREAT TIME WAS HAD BY ALL!



**THE DANVILLE AREA CROP HUNGER WALK PLANNING TEAM WILL START MEETING ON TUESDAY, APRIL 11TH TO PLAN THIS YEAR'S CROP WALK FOR OCTOBER 1ST. IF YOU'D LIKE TO BE A PART, CONTACT MARIE-LOUISE CRANE @434-770-0136.**

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