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July 20, 2017

Upcoming Events...

July 20, 2017 - Summer Chamber Music - Latrobe Presbyterian Church
August 17, 2017 - Summer Chamber Music - Latrobe Presbyterian Church
August 26, 2017 - Peach Fest and Bake Sale - New Salem Presbyterian Church

Please go to the website at www.redstone.org and click on the "events" tab for more information on any of the upcoming events.

Reflections - from Ken Foust, Chair of CPM

I am a dinosaur. I don't have a smart phone. I do own a flip-phone, but I keep it in my car in case of emergencies. I have good old-fashioned landlines at home and at church. If you want to call me, those are the phone numbers you need to use. When the phone rings and I'm in the vicinity, I'll answer it. If I'm not around, then please leave a message on the answering machine (after the beep) and I'll call you back when I can. How 1990's, but that's me.

Talk to any teaching elder and you'll hear about the call God placed on his/her life. God calls us to ministry. God doesn't use a phone (however part of my call story involves an opportune phone call from a friend).

For many of us God placed a hunger or thirst in our hearts, minds, and souls that only could be satisfied by accepting the call. No wonder we sing "Here I Am, Lord" with such gusto.

Perceiving the call of God begins with the individual, but then quickly involves others. In our polity sessions are consulted and endorse the call. Presbyteries are asked to also discern the call and help in the preparation for ministry through charting a course of education, spiritual development, and practical experience. Such work is done in Redstone through the Committee on Preparation for Ministry (CPM). Your CPM is serious about walking

District 3

>Laurel Hill Presbyterian Church, Dunbar, Michael Shepard, Moderator
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alongside of those who are hearing the call of God and are eager to follow this call. It is our desire to help further the Church of Jesus Christ by partnering with those called in our midst, not merely to clear ordination hurdles, but to become fully prepared for the ministry to which God is calling. We do this through meetings, consultations, planning, and prayer with those under our care.

>Second Presbyterian Church, Johnstown, Carole Isley Corey, Moderator
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If you believe God is calling you to ministry, please talk with us. If there is someone in your congregation who is perceiving a call, please encourage her/him to do the same. God might be calling. You probably don't need to check your phone to find out.

>Westmont Presbyterian Church, Johnstown, Craig Miller, Pastor
District 4

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>>Ink Cartridges for Pine Springs Camp - the camp is no longer accepting any large ink cartridges. They are unable to recycle them as was previously being done. They are ONLY accepting ink cartridges that are "no bigger than will fit in the palm of your hand." If you have the smaller cartridges and would like to donate them to the camp you may bring them to the Presbytery office where we have a designated spot to collect them or you may bring them to any of the Presbytery meetings. PLEASE DO NOT BRING ANY OF THE LARGER ONES. WE DO NOT HAVE THE ROOM IN OUR DUMPSTER TO DISPOSE OF THEM. Thank you!!

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Communicate the Word...

Carry on the Work...

>>There will be a special meeting of Presbytery on Thursday, August 3, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at the Maplewood Presbyterian Church. The stated purpose of the meeting is to examine a candidate, approve terms of call, and authorize an installation commission. Thank you for planning on participating. Packet information will be distributed via email as it becomes available.

>>Westmont Presbyterian Church is looking for a Director of Christian Education, working with children and youth. This is expected to be a 25 hours per week position. Enthusiasm, organizational skills, a desire to share one's faith with children and youth, and strong interpersonal skills are desired for this position. To learn more, please contact Rev. Craig Miller at 814.536.0796 or email at craigmiller@westmontpc.org.

>>Newlonsburg Presbyterian Church (NPC) is looking for a Director of Children and Family Ministries (DCFM) who is eager to put their faith to work to serve children and their families. The DCFM will plan and coordinate ministries for children through elementary school based upon worship, study, sharing, recreation and service. NPC has an active and varied Christian

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**New Office
Hours for
2017**

**The Presbytery
Office Hours are:**
Monday through
Thursday
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
CLOSED on Friday

**The Resource
Center Hours are:**
Tuesday through
Thursday
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
CLOSED on Monday
and Friday

education program that reaches over 100 children per week with many innovative ministries for children and families reaching the congregation and community that create year round opportunities. Participation of children and youth in worship is encouraged, and activities ranging from after school programs to summer camps enhance and nurture children's faith in Jesus Christ. To learn more about NPC and the DCFM position go to:

<https://newlonsburgchurch.org>. If you are ready to answer God's call to put your faith into action, submit a current resume to NPC_DC&FM_Resume_Recipient@newlonsburgchurch.org

>>Wee Kirk Conference - October 9-11, 2017. For more information click on this link - www.wee-kirk.ne.org.

>>Sudan/South Sudan Partnership meeting is being held at the New Wilmington Mission Conference on Tuesday, July 25 at 2:00.

>> The Synod of the Trinity has authorized a matching grant up to \$4,000 for Redstone Presbytery. This will be for humanitarian relief in South Sudan, where our Christian brothers and sisters are praying for deliverance from hunger, disease, violence, and injustice. This is a great Mission "Project" that even a very small group in your church could do in support of God's children in Africa. Every Dollar You Collect Matters. We pray for your participation so that we can match what the Synod is offering. An active witness from our saints here in Redstone Presbytery congregations illustrates one way that the Kingdom of God is built. Please mail your offerings to: Redstone Presbytery, 1004 Mt. Pleasant Road, Greensburg, PA 15601 by World Communion Sunday October 1, 2017, and indicate that it's for the South Sudan Abundance Grant in the memo line.

>>Employers Begin Selecting 2017 Benefits - Benefits Connect is now available for employers to review, model and/or update their Employer Agreements for 2018 benefits selections. The deadline for employers to submit Employer Agreements for 2018 is October 13 - two weeks later than last year. Annual enrollment for members will be October 30-November 17. Employers who have questions about the Benefits Plan or annual enrollment should call the Board at 800-773-7752 (800-PRESPLAN).



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