

Presbytery of Redstone eNews

October 20, 2022



Please pray for...

District 1 Churches

- ~~First Presbyterian Church, Avonmore, Wendy Keys, Moderator
- ~~Delmont Presbyterian Church, Anthony Catullo, Interim Pastor

District 2 Churches

- ~~West Hempfield Presbyterian Church, Irwin, Andrew Wirt, Pastor
- ~~First Presbyterian Church, Jeannette, Dawn Sherwood, Pastor

District 3 Churches

- ~~Little Redstone Presbyterian Church, Fayette City, Joshua Scully, Commissioned Pastor
- ~~Springhill Furnace Presbyterian Church, Lake Lynn, Molly Hall, Covenant Pastor

District 4 Churches

- ~~Bolivar United Presbyterian Church, James Sunseri, Commissioned Pastor
- ~~Colver Presbyterian Church, Owar Ojulu, Pastor

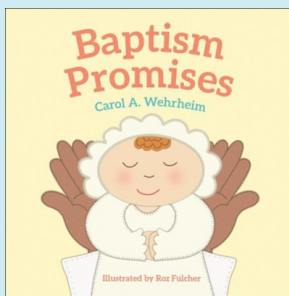
REDSTONE CHURCHES UPCOMING EVENTS

- Third Tuesday each month - [Food and Fellowship](#) - First Presbyterian Church, Belle Vernon
- Wednesdays - [AA Meetings](#) - Union Presbyterian Church, Murrysville
- [Blood Drives](#) - Third Presbyterian Church, Uniontown
- [How to Age with Grace](#) - New Hope Presbyterian Church, North Huntingdon
- Second Wednesday each month - October through May - [Soup for the Soul](#) - Poke Run Presbyterian Church, Apollo



- 10/22/22 - [Rummage Sale](#) - Apollo, Poke Run
- 10/29/22 - ["Trunk or Treat"](#) - Puckety Presbyterian Church, Lower Burrell
- 10/29/22 - [DAR Cemetery Dedication](#) - Apollo, Poke Run
- 11/05/22 - [PW Fall Gathering](#) - Brownsville, Ft. Burd
- 11/12/22 - [Veterans Worship Service](#) - Apollo, Poke Run

Click on each link listed above for more information on these events



Did you get your free copy of *Baptism Promises* at the last Presbytery meeting? If so, here are three ways to use it with your congregation: 1) give it as a gift to the families for future baptisms; 2) use it during a children's time or as a sermon demonstration to talk about baptism during a worship service; 3) allow a teenager to read it and give a little "talk" during a worship service about how they understand baptism. If you didn't get the copy of the book for your congregation, contact Donna Havrisko at dmh.1minister@gmail.com.

Interested in connecting with Addictions Ministry (at the call of the chair), Racial Justice and Reconciliation (1st Wednesday each month at 4:00 p.m. via zoom), Mission (2nd Tuesday each month at 11:00 a.m.), Healing Prayer Ministry (1st Thursday each month from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m.)? We have a network for you. Most networks meet at the Presbytery office and are also available via zoom video conferencing. Contact the Presbytery office if you would like more information on becoming a part of any of our networks.



THE PRESBYTERIAN PROMISE

AN \$80,000 SCHOLARSHIP OVER 4 YEARS FOR ALL STUDENTS WHO ARE PRESBYTERIAN.

The Presbyterian Promise Scholarship is a commitment by Presbyterian College (PC) to recognize students for their merit and affiliation with the Presbyterian Church.

PC seeks to develop students academically and spiritually

in this signature scholarship. Students who are of members of Presbyterian churches will receive a scholarship for a minimum of \$20,000 per year for up to four years—that's an \$80,000 commitment to you. For more information and to apply visit our site:

www.presby.edu/presbyterian-promise

The Masontown community kitchen will be open Tuesday October 26, 2022 from 4 to 5:30 PM. The meal will be homemade goulash, green beans, desserts and Panera Breads. Located at the First Presbyterian Church, 102 W. Church Ave., Masontown PA, The biweekly soup kitchen is sponsored by the many different churches in the Masontown area. Volunteers are needed to help with this worthwhile mission. More information may be obtained by calling Kathy at 724-583 9514 or Judy at 724-680-3209.



Hugh Thomson Kerr Chair in Pastoral Theology Lecture - The Good Enough Pastor? Reimagining Pastoral Excellence for a Post-Pandemic Church

L. Roger Owens

Oct. 25, 2022, 4:30 p.m. ET

Online and In person

Pittsburgh Theological Seminary invites you to an installation lecture Oct. 25, 2022, at 4:30 p.m. in Hicks Chapel. The Rev.

Dr. L. Roger Owens, professor of Christian spirituality and ministry, will present the Hugh Thomson Kerr Chair in Pastoral

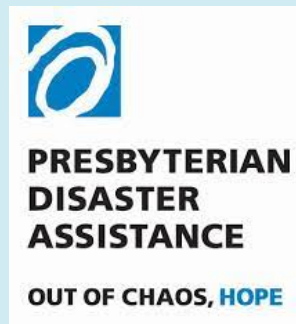
Theology Lecture—"The Good Enough Pastor? Reimagining Pastoral Excellence for a Post-Pandemic Church"—ahead of his installation to this chair Nov. 8, 2022.

This event will be in-person and online. A reception will follow the lecture. Please RSVP.

Learn more: https://www.pts.edu/Roger_Owens_Installation_Lecture

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Responding to Hurricane Ian

PDA is working with affected presbyteries and international partners to assess the aftermath of Hurricane Ian and offer resources and support. Emergency grants have been disbursed and National Response Team members are deployed. As people of faith, we stand ready to partner with presbyteries, congregations and communities to meet the immediate and long-term needs.



To support this response, designate gifts to [DR000194](#)



Inter-Presbytery Leadership Formation (IPLF) Workshops

The IPLF workshops have begun for the Fall of 2022.

Workshops that will be offered are:

- Creative Celebrations of the Sacraments - Rev. Laura Blank, Instructor, Saturday, November 12, 2022
- Leading as a Small Church Moderator - Rev. Dr. Brenda Barnes, Instructor, Saturday, December 10, 2022

All workshops ([click here for full descriptions of workshops](#)) are FREE and will be hybrid offerings by ZOOM and in person from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Redstone Presbytery Center, 1004 Mt. Pleasant Road, Greensburg, PA 15601. To register contact Bobbie Shaffor at Redstone Presbytery, 724.837.6737, secretary@redstonepresbytery.org.

Amen to Action – Since 2017, “Amen to Action” has been packing meals for the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank. In 2021, the event was moved to ten different churches in the Pittsburgh region. Amen to Action will take place again this November (2022). To volunteer and participate, got to AmentoAction.org



BOARD OF PENSIONS ANNUAL ENROLLMENT for 2023 benefits is Oct. 24 - Nov. 11. Annual enrollment, the time when employees can elect benefits or make changes for next year, starts in less than six weeks. To help them understand their options and what actions they may need to take, employees will receive multiple communications from the Board of Pensions leading up to and during annual enrollment. Employers can supplement these

communications by using the posters, emails, videos, and other materials in the annual enrollment toolkit.

The Office of Presbyterian Youth and Triennium is excited to announce “When Did We See You?” Event Support Grants! We are reaching out to Mid Council leadership about this opportunity directly since you all know how youth ministry works in your areas.

Selected applicants will receive \$1000 to be used toward a “When Did We See You?” event.



Preference will be given to applicants who:

1. prioritize diversity, equity, and inclusion.
2. use these funds to provide scholarships for attendees in need.
3. use the new [PYT Connect resources](#) as part of their event programming.

The full grant guidelines document, including the link to apply, is attached as a PDF (in English and Spanish). You can also download it here:

www.presbyterianmission.org/resource/when-did-we-see-you-event-grant-guidelines

The application deadline is November 11, 2022. Please note, your event only needs to be in the planning stage in order to apply. We know this is a quick turnaround, but there are Pentecost Offering funds available and we want YOUR kiddos to benefit.

For questions about deadlines and grant administration please contact the grant administrator, Yesenia Ayala, at Yesenia.Ayala@pcusa.org or 800-728-7228 ext. 5097.

For questions about "When Did We See You?" events, please contact Heather Leoncini, Mission Specialist for the Office of Presbyterian Youth and Triennium, at Heather.Leoncini@pcusa.org or 800-728-7228 ext. 5460.



Pastor Doug Marshall from Grace Community Presbyterian Church will be leading a Holy Land Pilgrimage in April 2023. [Click here for more information.](#)

WESTMINSTER COLLEGE YOUNG PRESBYTERIAN SCHOLARSHIP - Westminster College is seeking your assistance to connect rising college-age students from your congregation with a life-changing opportunity to attend college with a \$96,000 scholarship! For more information on the scholarship and how to nominate, please see the [attached letter](#) from the College Chaplain and Director of Church Relations Rev. James R. Mohr II.



Seeking: Organist/Pianist/Choir Director for the First Presbyterian Church of Monongahela, 609 Chess Street, Monongahela PA 15063.

Inquires concerning the position may be made through mfpc@verizon.net or 724-258-8300.

We request a cover letter, resume, and audition video.

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