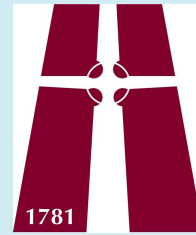


Presbytery of Redstone eNews

April 27, 2023



Please pray for...

District 1 Churches

- ~~Puckety Presbyterian Church, Lower Burrell, Brian Kilbert, Pastor
- ~~First Presbyterian Church, Murrysville, Ed Gray, Pastor

District 2 Churches

- ~~Sewickley Presbyterian Church, West Newton, Karen Kifer, Commissioned Pastor
- ~~Sewickley United Presbyterian Church, West Newton, Glenn Hart, Commissioned Pastor

District 3 Churches

- ~~Grace Chapel Presbyterian Church, Smithfield, Regina Schrecengost, Student Pastor
- ~~Pleasant View Presbyterian Church, Smock, Laura Blank, Pastor

District 4 Churches

- ~~Trinity Presbyterian Church, New Florence, Rick Sweeney, Covenant Pastor
- ~~Patton Presbyterian Church, Alice Tondora, Pastor

REDSTONE CHURCHES UPCOMING EVENTS

- [PW Spring Retreat](#) - May 9, 2023 - Pine Springs Camp
- [Diaper Drive](#) - May 13, 2023 - Level Green Presbyterian Church, Trafford
- [PW Synod Spring Gathering](#) - "Do Everything in Love" - July 10-12 - Penn Stater Hotel and Conference Center, State College
- [Car Cruise](#) - July 29, 2023 - West Hempfield Presbyterian Church, Irwin



- Third Tuesday each month - [Food and Fellowship](#) - First Presbyterian Church, Belle Vernon
- Tuesday, Every Other Month - [Blood Drives](#) - Third Presbyterian Church, Uniontown
- Wednesdays - [AA Meetings](#) - Union Presbyterian Church, Murrysville
- Second Wednesday each month - October through May - [Soup for the Soul](#) - Poke Run Presbyterian Church, Apollo
- First and Third Tuesday each month - [BOUNTIFUL BLESSINGS](#) - North Huntingdon, New Hope - 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- Biweekly Tuesdays - [Masontown Community Kitchen](#) - 4 to 5:30 p.m.



Upcoming Vacation Bible School

The Vacation Bible School season is just around the corner!

[Click here](#) to view the list of churches in Redstone Presbytery that already have their plans made for this year.

Are you hosting VBS at your church? If so, please send the information to the presbytery office so we can add you to the list with the possibility of sharing resources.

Pastor and Elder Training Workshops Presented by Inter-Presbytery Leadership Formation (IPLF)



Workshops are again being offered for the Spring of 2023. Workshops include:

- After the Commission: Reflections on IPLF and Pastoral Service - May 13, 2023 - Panel of Former IPLF Students and CP's, Instructors

All workshops are from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; are FREE; and will be offered in person at the Redstone Presbytery office along with an online option via ZOOM. To register for any of these workshops, please contact Bobbie Shaffor at Redstone Presbytery at 724.837.6737 or secretary@redstonepresbytery.org.



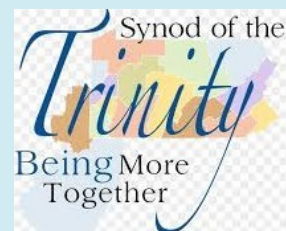
The remaining dates for the 2022 Session Minutes and Register Reviews are:

- Tuesday, May 9, 2023 - 6:00 p.m. - Trinity United Presbyterian Church, Uniontown
- Tuesday, May 23, 2023 - 5:00 p.m. - Ebensburg Presbyterian Church (preceding Presbytery meeting)

News from the Synod of the Trinity

SYNOD GRANT WORKSHOPS - The Synod of the Trinity recently provided two online grant workshops that focused on helping grant-seekers with the tools and knowledge to approach funders and apply for the financial support that will push the difference-making initiatives to the next level.

The first was called "Grant-Seeking: Creating Relationships with Funders." This workshop gives you the research tools to pinpoint potential foundations and funding resources within your community and our region. The second was called "Writing the Grant: How to Start and What to Share." This workshop provides the framework and confidence to apply for a grant outside of our denomination, and will teach you how to present your case, and your church or other entity, in the most appealing and critical light.



[Click here to view the latest newsletter.](#)



The Chapel Youth Choir and Festive Ringers will present a concert at 7:30 p.m., Friday, April 28 at First Presbyterian Church of Greensburg, 300 South Main Street. Freewill donations will be received for the Montreat Worship and Music Youth Scholarship. These touring musicians are the youth ensembles from Abington Presbyterian Church in the Philadelphia area. Comprised of 6th to 12th graders

who rehearse and provide musical leadership for the 10:00 a.m. worship service in their home congregation, they will be here as part of their annual spring tour which carries a message of faith and encouragement to listeners in many different venues. Traditional anthems, mass settings, gospel arrangements, handbell pieces, and community singing mark their tour program including concerts and worship leadership in Pittsburgh, Greensburg, and Lewistown before they return to Abington for a homecoming concert.

PRINCETON FORUM ON YOUTH MINISTRY - May 2-4 in-person or online. Three days of connection and learning centered around the theme, "A Time to Heal: Trauma and Grace in Youth Ministry." This hybrid conference has been designed with youth ministers in mind as they navigate loneliness, mental health challenges and trauma of young people. After years of pandemic losses, social upheaval and seismic shifts in the church, youth workers are longing for community, renewal and care for themselves and for their ministries. More information and registration is available by [clicking here](#).



Tell Us About God's Mission in Your Congregation - The Mission Network of Redstone Presbytery is gathering information on the local; regional and international mission projects of our congregations. Knowing and sharing this information will provide opportunities to connect together for

collaboration and greater impact. Go to <https://forms.gle/AEdEwn8eeGVqvm9w5> and tell us about where you are following God into mission.

Redstone Presbytery Mission News

- Planning a Mission trip to Kentucky/coordinated with PDS to Madisonville, KY on June 10-15. Up to 38 people can attend.

If interested, contact the Presbytery office for more information.



Employment Opportunities Within Redstone Presbytery

Latrobe United Presbyterian Church is searching for an organist/pianist starting effective immediately. The applicant must be available for the 11am, Sunday service and the

6pm, Wednesday choir practice (no practice June, July, and August). The pay is \$100 per week. All applicants should call the church office at 724-539-8881 and leave a message with name and phone number stating their interest in this position.

Assistant Treasurer, Part-Time @ 8 to 10 Hours per Week.

Accounting Experience/Education Required.

Maintain Financial Records; AP; Deposit and Post Monies; Do PR, PR Taxes, Bookkeeping, and Record Keeping.

Send Resumes to The United Presbyterian Church of New Kensington, 601 Fifth Avenue, New Kensington, PA 15068-6508 Attn: Personnel Committee

The Community United Presbyterian Church, located at 1640 Keystone Park Rd, New Alexandria, PA 15670, is seeking applicants for a part-time Church Secretary position.

Duties include (but not limited to) creating the weekly bulletin, creating the monthly newsletter, checking email, answering the phone, and taking messages from the answering machine. This job requires knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel, listening skills, ability to maintain confidentiality and enjoys interacting with people. Hours are flexible but should be consistent. Pay is competitive.

If you are interested in being a part of a positive, family-oriented work environment, please submit a cover letter and resume to Pastor Len Morgan via email at Elbie3@aol.com or send it to Community United Presbyterian Church, PO Box 361, New Alexandria, PA 15670.

Church Website:

<https://www.thecommunitypresbyterianchurch.yolasite.com>

Church Facebook

Page: <https://www.facebook.com/CommunityUnitedPresbyterianChurch>

Employment Opportunities Outside of Redstone Presbytery



Redstone Presbyterian SeniorCare in Westmoreland County is seeking a fulltime hospice chaplain to serve our Redstone@Home Hospice clients across our three campuses and in the external community. <https://redstone.recruitpro.com/jobs/244865.html>

Christian Associates of Southwest PA Seeking Interfaith Research Associate - The ideal candidate for this position would be an underemployed clergy person: a bright, self-motivated, personable individual interested in spending 10-20 hours/week for the next six months or so conducting some interviews and helping analyze the results. [Click here](#) for more information.

SEEKING PART-TIME MUSICIANS - First Presbyterian Church 1793 of Washington, PA is seeking a part-time musician or musicians to lead worship and music. Our talented, fun group of musicians who read well are looking for an applicant or applicants to fulfill part-time openings for these duties: Organist, Chancel Choir Director, Youth Choir Director, and Bell Choir Director. Inquiries may be made through fpcwash@comcast.net. Cover letter,

resume, and references are requested. Employment could begin as early as January 2023."

PRESBYTERY OF LAKE ERIE is seeking a Stated Clerk. The successful candidate must be an ordained Ruling Elder or Teaching Elder, will perform various administrative tasks, and be responsible for ensuring the records, roles, reports, and correspondence of the Presbytery are maintained. View the [full job description](#).



PC(USA) 2023-2024 SCHOLARSHIP APP NOW OPEN - Applications for the 2023-24 scholarships through the Presbyterian Mission Agency are now open. The scholarships are for full-time undergraduate and seminary students belonging to Presbyterian churches. The final deadline for the need-based aid scholarship program is May 15, 2023. [Click here to read more.](#)

PSC GOLF OUTING MAY 22 - Come and play at the historic Latrobe Country Club to benefit Pine Springs Camp! Continental breakfast, lunch, banquet dinner, and silent auction. Your support provides hundreds of families with financial assistance to send kids to camp. [Visit the PSC website](#) for more details.



Presbyterian Historical Society offers **NEW BLOG SERIES: AFRICAN AMERICAN LEADERS** - Each month of 2023, the Presbyterian Historical Society is bearing witness to the lives of African American leaders throughout the history of the PC(USA). They are kicking off this new series with a biography of William Lloyd Imes, pastor of St. James Presbyterian Church in Harlem, New York. [Click here to read more.](#)

Shenango Presbytery, with the financial assistance of the Carolyn Knox Foundation, will be welcoming Rev. Dr. Tod Bolsinger to their presbytery in May. Tod is a renowned thinker in leadership development and leading change specifically in the church sphere. He is a PCUSA pastor who now serves at Fuller Seminary while also traveling the world coaching and consulting. He has written 3 books on leadership: *It takes a Church to raise a Christian*, *Canoeing the Mountains*, and most recently *Tempered Resilience*.



Tod will be offering a seminar called "How Not to Waste a Crisis" on Sunday May 7th from 3-5:30 at Northminster Presbyterian Church in New Castle, PA. This should be an excellent time to talk about how to lead in these changing times. We are working on a live stream option if it is too far to travel, especially on a Sunday, and encourage you to consider a "watch party" with your leaders so you can take advantage of this opportunity within your own community. [A flyer is included with all the details.](#)

Following that leadership summit for all leaders, Tod will spend 2 days (full day 9 am-approx. 9 pm on Monday and through lunch on Tuesday) with our pastors and CREs at Villa Maria, a conference and retreat center in Villa Maria, PA to dig deeper to discuss leading in the church in these uncertain times. Commuting as well as overnight options are available, however the overnight options will be on a first come first serve basis because of the limited number of rooms available. [A flyer is included with all the details.](#)

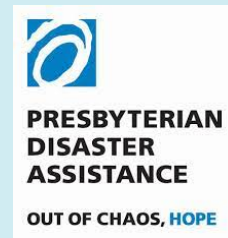


UPCOMING PROGRAMS AT PITTSBURGH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

HYBRID DEGREE PROGRAMS

Pittsburgh Theological Seminary LAUNCHES HYBRID DEGREE PROGRAMS - Beginning in fall 2023, Pittsburgh Seminary will offer all its masters and certificate programs in a hybrid format—allowing PTS to be your neighborhood seminary regardless of your neighborhood location. The Seminary's hybrid model allows students living on campus and students living at a distance to be part of one community of learning and formation. [Click here](#) to learn more about these programs.

DEATH AND DEVASTATION IN TURKEY & SYRIA - By now you are aware of the terrible losses suffered from earthquake damage in Turkey and Syria. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance provides an avenue for you and your congregation to contribute to Christian relief efforts over there. [Click here](#) for more information on ways you can pray, take action, and give.



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