

# Presbytery of Redstone eNews

## July 20, 2023



Please pray for...

### District 1 Churches

~~Congruity Presbyterian Church, New Alexandria, Cliff Foster,  
Pastor

~~United Presbyterian Church, New Kensington, Becca Siddle,  
Covenant Pastor

### District 2 Churches

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

~~United Presbyterian Church, West Newton, John Manon, Pastor

### District 3 Churches

~~Laurel Hill Presbyterian Church, Dunbar, Bill Weightman,  
Commissioned Pastor

~~First Presbyterian Church, Fairchance, Lee McDermott, Moderator

### District 4 Churches

~~Bolivar United Presbyterian Church, Jim Sunseri, Commissioned  
Pastor

~~Colver Presbyterian Church, Owar Ojulu, Pastor

## REDSTONE CHURCHES UPCOMING EVENTS

- [Car Cruise](#) - July 29, 2023 - West Hempfield Presbyterian Church, Irwin
- Christmas in July Craft/Vendor Show - July 29, 2023 - 9:30 to 2:00 - First Presbyterian Church, Belle Vernon - Outside booths available at \$25.00/each
- [Backyard Barbecue Cookout and Corn Roast](#) - August 5, 2023 - 4:00 to 7:00 - New Hope Presbyterian Church, North Huntingdon



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- Tuesday, Every Other Month - [Blood Drives](#) - Third Presbyterian Church, Uniontown
- Mondays - Nar-Anon Meetings - First Presbyterian Church, Johnstown - 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesdays - [AA Meetings](#) - Union Presbyterian Church, Murrysville
- 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.



## Addiction Ministry Network Project for National Recovery Month

Each September is designated as National Recovery Month throughout the U.S. where stories of addiction recovery are shared and celebrated. The month is intended to help individuals make the difficult decision about entering treatment.

The Addiction Ministry Network in cooperation with the HOPE IN A BAG Project are once again joining together to provide support to individuals who are entering treatment and we are asking your congregation to participate in this project. Making the choice to enter treatment for addiction is a big

step. Unfortunately, many people try to “get clean” without the simple things like soap, razors, or a toothbrush. The Addiction Ministry Network of Redstone Presbytery is sponsoring a presbytery-wide collection by asking congregations to contribute some or all the items listed below and bring them to our Presbytery meeting on September 26 in Latrobe.

Your congregation can decide to concentrate by supplying a small or large amount of two or three of the items below or you can collect multiple sets of all the items. Either decision your congregation makes will be a blessing to this project. In recognition of National Recovery Month, we ask you to bring the items you have collected to the Presbytery meeting in Latrobe on September 26. Attached is a [bulletin insert](#) to share with your congregation.

Please consider donating the following items for recovery:

Small bible ~ Pens and pencils ~ Journals ~ Playing Cards ~ Daily Devotionals, old copies are fine, i.e., Upper Room, Daily Bread ~ Shampoo/Conditioner  
Toothbrushes ~ Toothpaste ~ Deodorant ~ Razors ~ Feminine hygiene products  
Soap/Body wash ~ Dental floss ~ Nail clippers ~ Q-tips ~ Small blankets  
Hardtack candies

For further information or assistance, e-mail [redstonetogether@gmail.com](mailto:redstonetogether@gmail.com)

Rev. Owar Ojulu will be coordinating a vision trip to Gambella, Ethiopia August 1-10, 2023. If you or someone from your church is interested in participating, please reach out to him for details - [ojh30@yahoo.com](mailto:ojh30@yahoo.com) or (507) 304-5958



The Nominating Committee of Redstone Presbytery is looking to fill some vacancies among various committees. If



you are a Ruling Elder interested in serving with the Presbytery, or if you have questions about serving, please contact Skip Noftzger,

Executive Presbyter at 724.837.6767 or [executive@redstonepresbytery.org](mailto:executive@redstonepresbytery.org).

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



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

- Pastoral Care - August 12, 2023 - Rev. Becca Siddle, Instructor
- Spiritual Formation for Church Leaders - September 9, 2023 - Rev. Matt Camlin, Instructor
- Being and Leading Presbyterian Polity - October 14, 2023 - Rev. Randall Clow, Instructor
- Boundaries and Ethics in Church Leadership - November 11, 2023 - Michelle Snyder, Instructor
- Learning to "Exegete" the Community - December 9, 2023 - Rev. Dr. Scott Hagley, Instructor

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](mailto:secretary@redstonepresbytery.org).

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Unity Chapel of The Latrobe Presbyterian Church, 113 Chapel Lane, Latrobe, PA 15650 - SUMMER CONCERTS

Thursday, July 20<sup>th</sup> - 7:30 pm - TRIO GRANATO  
Tom Godfrey ~ Flute - Paula Tuttle ~ Cello - Marissa

Knaub-Avon ~ Harp

Thursday, August 24<sup>th</sup> - 7:30 pm - Beo String Quartet  
Jason Neukom ~ Violin - Sean Neukom ~ Viola - Andrew  
Giordano ~ Violin - Ryan Ash ~ Cello ~ Cello

Tickets: \$15 – General Admission

All proceeds benefit the Westmoreland Youth Symphony Program

Pre-Concert performance by a Youth Symphony Member at 7:15 pm.

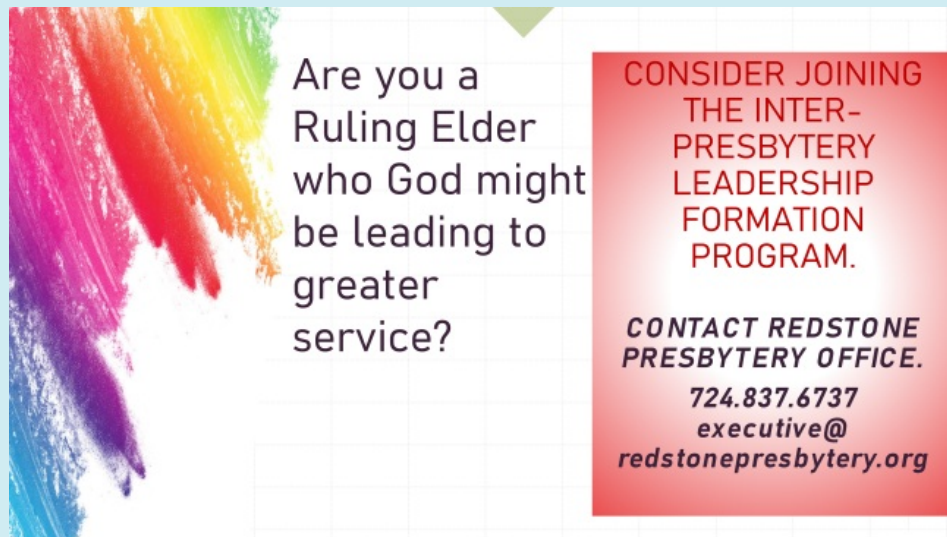
Post-Concert evening prayer service, 10 minutes after the concert ends.

The chapel is air-conditioned and fully handicap accessible: parking, ramp and restroom.

For more information or questions: Michael Long, Minister of Music & Organist  
[music@latrobepec.org](mailto:music@latrobepec.org) ~ 724-537-3631 X15

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**PSC DINNER SPONSORS NEEDED** - Each Sunday, the PSC staff comes together for a time of fellowship, food, and encouragement as they gear up to welcome another group of enthusiastic campers for the week. Churches and individuals have graciously donated funds to provide this meal, or volunteered to make and deliver the Sunday meals. If you or your congregation is willing to sponsor a meal in July for approximately 60 people, please contact the camp office at 814-629-9834.



Are you a Ruling Elder who God might be leading to greater service?

**CONSIDER JOINING THE INTER-PRESBYTERY LEADERSHIP FORMATION PROGRAM.**

**CONTACT REDSTONE PRESBYTERY OFFICE.**  
724.837.6737  
executive@redstonepresbytery.org



**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.

### Presbyterian Planning Calendars

We will be doing a bulk order for the 2023/2024 Presbyterian Planning Calendars again this year. The cost per calendar will be \$10.50 at the bulk rate. Since the calendars begin on September 1, 2023, the deadline for ordering will be August 4, 2023 in order for them to be distributed by that date. [Click here](#) for the order form.



**2023/2025 Book of Order**

We will be doing a bulk order for the 2023/2025 Book of Order again this year. The cost per book will be \$9.00 at the bulk rate. The deadline for ordering will be August 15, 2023. [Click here](#) for the order form.

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## UPCOMING PROGRAMS AT PITTSBURGH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

**SAVE THE DATE: HENDERSON LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE - September 24-26.** This fall, Will Willimon will look forward at the future of congregations during the Henderson Leadership Conference at PTS. During this event, we'll ask: What is the future of small congregations (the fastest growing segment of North American Christianity)? Participants will enjoy lectures, workshops, worship, and conversations that will inspire their leadership; and receive practical, usable wisdom for giving their congregation a future. [Click here](#) for more information.

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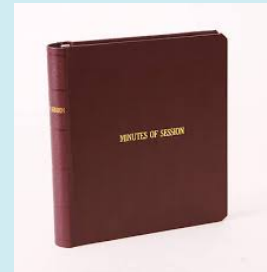
### HYBRID DEGREE PROGRAMS

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.

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### 2022 Session Minutes and Church Register Reviews.

If you were unable to have your session minutes and church registers reviewed at one of the scheduled meetings, please contact your COM Liaison to make arrangements with them to have them reviewed individually. You may also drop your books off at the Presbytery office to have them reviewed that way, if that is easier for you. If you are not sure who your COM liaison is, please contact the Presbytery office. Thank you!



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## Wee Kirk 2023

**Save the dates  
- October 9  
through 11,  
2023.**

**Registration is  
now open**

online. [Click here to register.](#)

# Wee Kirk 23



Save the dates  
**October 9-11**  
refresh and renew  
with other small  
church leaders

*get away to*

Laurelville  
Retreat Center  
Western PA

[WWW.WEE-KIRK-NE.ORG](http://WWW.WEE-KIRK-NE.ORG)



## 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.

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The United Presbyterian Church of New Kensington, 601 Fifth Avenue, New Kensington, PA 15068, 724.339.6618 - is seeking to fill two positions.

### Church Custodian.

- Job Responsibilities - Keep the building clean, attractive, and well-maintained, inside and out.
- Hours and Compensation - Monday thru Thursday for 20-30 hours/week at \$15/hour.
- Supervision - The Church Custodian works directly under the Property Committee and Head of Staff.

Contact the church for more information or if you are interested in applying.

### 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 Resume to The United Presbyterian Church of New Kensington,  
601 Fifth Avenue, New Kensington, PA 15068-6508 Attn: Personnel Committee  
Telephone: 724-339-6618

**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>

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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.

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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](mailto:fpcwash@comcast.net). Cover letter, resume, and references are requested. Employment could begin as early as January 2023."

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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](#).

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**Presbytery Staff**

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*Communicate the  
Word...*

*Carry on the Work...*

*Change the World...*

*Together*

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