

This week's Redstone happening
August 19, 2024



This week we are praying for the following congregations:

District 1 Churches

Community United Presbyterian Church, New Alexandria, Len Morgan, Commissioned Pastor
Congruity Presbyterian Church, New Alexandria, Cliff Foster, 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

Harmony Presbyterian Church, Belle Vernon, Glenn Hart, Commissioned Pastor
Marion Presbyterian Church, Belle Vernon, Robert Prinkey, Commissioned Pastor

District 4 Churches

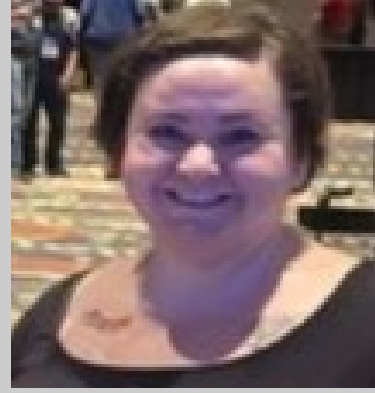
Patton Presbyterian Church, Alice Tondora, Pastor
Revloc Presbyterian Church, Sara David O'Hara, Commissioned Pastor

~GA Commissioner Reflections...~

A Reflection on My Experience at General Assembly in Salt Lake City – Jackie Eckenrod

Going to the GA was a particularly special experience for me because I had just completed the coursework for the IPLF program at the end of May. I

had learned all the protocol and procedures, and to be honest, it all sounded Greek to me without seeing the process. Getting to witness the way in which we make improvements and changes--in action--in our denomination was such an enriching experience. Seeing people of all ages from all different spaces in the country respecting and loving one another through tough decisions for the glory of God was beautiful—an experience I will not soon forget!



Also, if you are a musician and you go to Utah without searching out the place where the Mormon Tabernacle Choir sings, I think you are doing it wrong. I had skipped dinner one evening to walk to Temple Square where I met two young missionaries. They allowed me to come in and sit in their sanctuary and talk about God and my call to be a leader in the Presbyterian church. They were so interested in hearing about all the good work we were doing at our GA that we talked for almost an hour! At the end of my visit, we prayed together, and they gave me a beautiful card with a picture of Jesus on it. Being on the Ecumenical and Interfaith Partnerships Committee, it was so wonderful to see how the next generation is growing into their call as future leaders and disciples of Christ for Christians all over. Our YAADs were pretty great, too, might I mention. With these young people up-and-coming, the future looks bright for Christians in our world.

~Presbytery News~



Board of Pensions

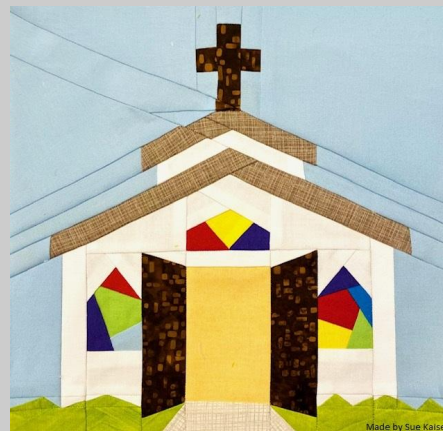
Employee Agreements enrollment begins
August 29 - October 4, 2024

*** For continuing pastors, the default is the "Transition" Plan (TPP), but if the pastor and church want to change to the Congregation Pastor Plan (CPP), the employer will need to call the Board of Pensions to change the plan.

***For individual consultation, please call BOP Liaison Emily Chudy or EP Skip Noftzger. BOP Workshop is still available on [Wednesday, August 21 @ 1pm](#). Select the link to register.



**The Mission Network
of the Presbytery of
Redstone**
will be sponsoring a



“Mission Fair” again for our congregations at the September Presbytery Meeting at Pine Springs Camp. We are asking you to prepare to share local, regional, national or international projects in which your church is engaged or supports. You will have the opportunity to display any objects, flyers, information, etc. at a exhibit table before and during the Presbytery gathering. So, plan now for what you would like to share about where God has led you in mission.

Please email Karen Gray
(secretary@redstonepresbtery.org)
or call the office (724-837-6737)
if you plan on showing your
Mission Projects

if you have a “Quilting group” in your congregation or just some individuals who engage in quilting, we are looking for churches to bring one or more squares (10.5 x 10.5) that represent any or some of the mission areas of the church. Each square might also have the name off the congregation on it as well. These squares will be combined into a quilt along with other symbols of the Presbytery to form a quilt that will be on display at the Presbytery and particular events.

Please contact either Debby Koenig -
(debkoenig@wpa.net) or
Presbytery Office -
(secretary@redstonepresbytery.org) if
you need any additional information.

Please plan on turning in your finished squares no later than Tuesday, September 24, 2024 at the Presbytery Meeting hosted by Pine Springs Camp.

Pray for the Congregation of the Week (Facebook)

Each week a different ministry of one of our congregations is featured on the Presbytery Facebook page

(<https://www.facebook.com/PresbyteryofRedstone>) Look for your friends and colleagues in ministry and intercede on their behalf with the Lord for what God has called them to be and do.

WEE KIRK 2024 October 14-16, 2024 Laurelville Retreat Center Mt. Pleasant, PA

Registrations are open! Don't miss this important opportunity for learning, renewal and retreat. For this year's brochure, listing all the seminars/workshops, their leaders, and the schedule.

Go to wee-kirk-ne.org



Are you a Ruling Elder who is interested in Learning and Growing in you Faith even more?

Is God Possibly Calling you to Preach?

CONSIDER ENROLLING IN THE INTER-PRESBYTERY LEADERSHIP FORMATION PROGRAM.

For more Information about the program and Enrollment, Please Contact

Sudan/South Sudan Mission Partnership Network Gathering---

September 26-28, Antiochian Village---Join this gathering of those interested and engaged in Sudan/South Sudan mission partnership not only in our presbytery, but with others across the country, including visitors from South Sudan and from the Sudanese diaspora in this country. **For more information, please see flyer below or contact the Redstone Presbytery office.**



**Sudan/South Sudan
Mission Network
Conference 2024:
Partners in Sharing
God's Good News**



September 26-28, 2024
Antiochian Village
201 Saint Ignatius Trail,
Bolivar, PA 15923



Information on schedule to follow

Cost
includes room, meals,
and conference fees
beginning with Thursday
dinner through Saturday
breakfast

Single- \$355 per person
Double- \$280 per person
Triple- \$260 per person



Program only rate available upon request



Registration is open!



<https://shenangopresbytery.wufoo.com/forms/sudansouth-sudan-mission-network-r1y8r1p0mj5sum>

MINISTER ID CARDS from PC(USA) are available at the Presbytery Office. If you have not picked yours up, please contact the office. Office hours are Monday - Thursday 9am - 2pm.

~Events at our Churches~

Unity Cemetery & Chapel
250th Anniversary Celebration

Honoring Our Past, Inspiring Our Future

For more information [Click Here](#) for
upcoming events or visit
unitycemeterychapel.org

Leisenring Presbyterian Church
1004 Church Street is hosting:

Cabbage Roll Dinner & Bake Sale
September 14, 2024
from 11am - 4pm

Stewardship Kaleidoscope - Real Tools for Real Ministry
September 23-25, 2024 in Portland OR.

For more information visit stewardshipkaleidoscope.org

PC(USA) Pastors - Learn about the Church Financial Leadership Grant Program through the Foundation [here](#)

2024 EVANGELISM CONFERENCE - Oct. 3-5. Registration for the 2024 Evangelism Conference, planned by Theology, Formation & Evangelism, is now open. "A Lifestyle That Exudes Justice" Evangelism Conference will be held at the Presbyterian Center in Louisville, Kentucky. [Learn more and regist](#)



World Mission Initiative Conference
and W. Don McClure Lecture

Mission in the Margins:

*Lessons and Practices
from the Global Church*

Oct. 11-12, 2024
In Person and Online

I'm going!
Join us!



www.pts.edu/WMI-conference-2024

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