

This week's Redstone happening  
**October 3, 2024**



**This week we are praying for the following congregations:**

*District 1 Churches*

*Grace Community Presbyterian Church, Lower Burrell, Owar Ojulu, Pastor*

*Puckety Presbyterian Church, New Apollo, Tony Catullo, Interim Pastor*

*District 2 Churches*

*Westminster Presbyterian Church, Greensburg, Jennifer Frayer-Griggs, Pastor*

*First Presbyterian Church, Irwin, Doug Rehberg, Interim Pastor*

*District 3 Churches*

*First Presbyterian Church, Dunbar, Norma Prina Murphy, Moderator*

*Laurel Hill Presbyterian Church, Dunbar, William Weightman, Commissioned Pastor*

*District 4 Churches*

*Bethany Presbyterian Church, Johnstown, Denise Todero, Commissioned Pastor*

*First Presbyterian Church, Johnstown, Hyiwot Teshome, Pastor*

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~Presbytery News~

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**Board of Pensions**

**Reminder**

**Employee Agreements enrollment ends**

**Friday, 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 (EChudy@pensions.org or 215-356-82270 or EP Skip Noftzger.

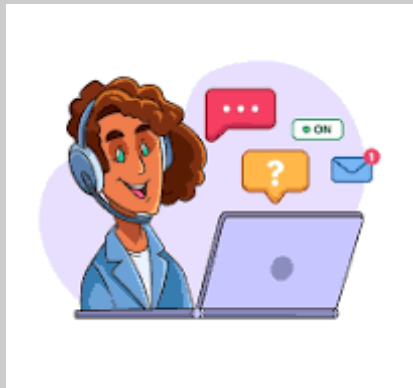
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Special Mission Event: 'This Child Here'

**On October 4 (Friday);3:00 p.m. the Presbytery of Redstone will host a conversation with Rev. Robert Gamble(Executive Director) and Olya Balaban(Program Manager) of This Child Here.**

Telling the story of the journey from suffering to God's love in war torn Ukraine, this is a unique opportunity to hear directly from someone who has been on the front lines of ministry in Ukraine. This is a ministry initiated by Rev. Gamble that supports women and children displaced by the war in Ukraine.

Please plan on joining this conversation with Rev. Gamble and Olya Balaban at the **Presbytery Center 1004 Mt. Pleasant Road Greensburg, PA 15601**



The Presbytery is seeking to identify a “Tech Coordinator” for the 5 annual “hybrid” Presbytery meetings beginning in 2025. The person must have knowledge of audio-visual equipment and be familiar with hosting and features within the Zoom workspace. The Tech Coordinator will prepare for and coordinate the Zoom and av equipment for meetings held in a variety of churches within the Presbytery. This position will be supported with a stipend for each of the meetings. Any candidates or referral of possible people with these skills should

reach out to the Staff Support committee through contacting the Executive Presbyter or Presbytery office.

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## 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

**Limited Space is still available! 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](http://wee-kirk-ne.org)

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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 Skip Noftzger at the Presbytery Office 724-837-6737 or [executive@redstonepresbytery.org](mailto:executive@redstonepresbytery.org)

## IPLF FALL WORKSHOPS SCHEDULE

View the full schedule of fall Pastor and Elder Training Workshops presented by the Inter-Presbytery Leadership Formation. All workshops will be hybrid offerings by Zoom and in-person at Laboratory Presbyterian Church in Washington from 12:30-3:30 p.m.



### Boundaries and Ethics in Church Leadership

Saturday, November 9, 2024; 12:30 - 3:30pm  
Maplewood Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall

If it has been more than three years since your last participation in training on Boundaries and Ethics issues, It is important for all of us to continue to be engaged in these areas. Please save the date on your calendars to attend this workshop. An email will go out next week for those of you who need to participate.

## For Such a Time as This – Group Spiritual Direction

You are invited to join Jenn in a time of contemplative reflection, support and encouragement for all pastors and church leaders as we navigate this stressful political season. Bring your lunch and your open heart as we seek healing for ourselves and for our divided nation.

Thursdays, September 26 - November 7

12-1 pm.

Zoom.

Meeting ID: 820 3291 0696

Passcode: hope

Email Jenn at [pastorjenn@wpcgreensburg.org](mailto:pastorjenn@wpcgreensburg.org) for more information



The Zoom link is:



Join Pine Springs Camp for a celebration of their ministry. The evening is a joyful event highlighting stories of faith and inspiration of how God is working through the PSC ministry.

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### Praying Jesus' Way

Saturday, November 9, 2024  
9:30 AM to 11:30 AM  
Redstone Presbytery Office  
1004 Mount Pleasant Road  
Greensburg, Pennsylvania 15601  
Free RSVP 724 837-6737  
For more information [Click Here](#)

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### ENERGY SAVING RESOURCES FOR CONGREGATIONS

Find out how your congregation can get both tax rebates and direct pay options for installing energy-efficiency upgrades and/or renewable energy! **Explore resources** from the presentations to the General Assembly Committee on Environmental and Climate Justice and the General Assembly plenary, as well as a full webinar posted by Presbyterians for Earth Care

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### ~Events at our Churches~

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Unity Cemetery & Chapel  
250th Anniversary Celebration

Honoring Our Past, Inspiring Our Future



For more information on upcoming events: visit [unitycemeterychapel.org](http://unitycemeterychapel.org)



## Pine Springs Camp WOMEN IN THE WOODS

October 4th-5th, 2024

**Women in the Woods is a retreat designed to be physically and spiritually refreshing for women of all ages. The teaching will be incredible, and the retreat will be packed with great singing, fun, laughter and fellowship. The retreat will run from Friday to Saturday evening, culminating with a special dinner celebration. Consider a Women in the Woods retreat for you, your church, or just bring a friend and join us! [Click here for more information.](#)**

The Masontown community kitchen will be open Tuesday, October 8 2024 from 4 to 5:30. The menu will be Meat Loaf, mashed potatoes, vegetable, homemade desserts, and Panera bread. The kitchen is open every other Tuesday providing home cooked dinners. Everyone is invited to come and share the meal and Christian fellowship that is found in the dining hall of the First Presbyterian Church, 102 W. Church Ave., Masontown, PA For questions or to volunteer your help cooking, serving or cleaning afterwards please call Judy at 724-943-3013 or Frank 724 366-4721

The Masontown monthly Food bank will be held Wednesday, October 9 2024 from 1 to 2 PM at the First Presbyterian Church, 102 W. Church Ave., Masontown PA.  
>>> Participants may register at the Food bank. For more information call Frank 724-366-4721



Rehoboth Presbyterian Church  
442 Rehoboth Road/Belle Vernon

Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024 2 PM to 6 PM  
724-929-7020

\$10.<sup>00</sup> Large Dinner

\$ 6.<sup>00</sup> Small Dinner

Salad, Pasta with Meat or Marinara sauce,  
Bread & Butter, Cake, & Drink

- Meatballs available for an extra charge

*Gluten sensitive pasta & cake  
available upon request*



And, of course, there will also be one  
of our Epic Bake Sales!

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# CHURCH YARD



**FRIDAY**  
**OCTOBER 11**  
**NOON - 6 PM**

**THIRD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**425 UNION STREET - UNIONTOWN PA**

**SATURDAY**  
**OCTOBER 12**  
**8 AM - NOON**

**KITCHEN OPEN BOTH DAYS**

**EVERYTHING**  
**1/2 PRICE**

New York Life and  
Alzheimer's Association Blood Drive

Wednesday, October 16  
2:00 p.m. to 7:00p.m.

First Presbyterian Church of Murrysville  
3202 North Hills Road  
Murrysville, PA 15668



To schedule an appointment to donate:

\*Go to [vitalant.org](http://vitalant.org) and search with Account Code 100560537

\*Call 1-877-25VITAL

~Upcoming Events Outside of Redstone Presbytery~



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



[www.pts.edu/WMI-conference-2024](http://www.pts.edu/WMI-conference-2024)

## IMAGINEERING YOUR CHURCH'S FUTURE

**October 24th, 9AM-12PM at Sewickley Presbyterian Church**. Samaritan's Caring for Clergy and Congregations program is offering a workshop focused on how to turn great ideas into effective ministry and mission. "Imagineering" is based on the work of The Walt Disney Company, which has perfected turning great ideas into amazing experiences. Pastors and churches don't have a shortage of great ideas, but they do often struggle to figure out how to accomplish their great ideas. This workshop focuses on the pragmatics of "how." [View more details.](#)

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*Carry on the Work...*  
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