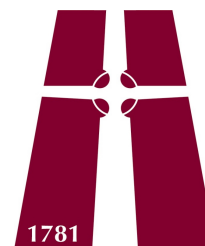


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Upcoming Events...

- >>Second Wednesday of every month - Friendship Dinner from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. FREE TO ANYONE WANTING TO ATTEND - New Kensington, United
- >>Second Wednesday of every month - Community "Soup for the Soul" Luncheon - Apollo, Poke Run
- March 25, 2017: Craft Show - Murrysville, Union
- March 26, 2017: "Into the Light" - A Service of Healing and Hope - Mt. Pleasant, Reunion
- May 6, 2017: Spaghetti Dinner - Johnstown, Bethany

Please go to the website at www.redstone.org and click on the "events" tab for more information on any of the upcoming events.

"Are We There Yet" - Reflections from the Executive Presbyter



"Are we there yet?" You know that question that plagues all parents of kids(young and old) as they venture upon a journey of any distance. Born out of boredom and impatience, typically, the inquiry repeats with increasing regularity and frequency until the arrival at the intended destination. For those who ask, the journey from one point to another always seems to take much longer than they expect(however those expectations are formed).

For us as well, we have ventured into a forty day experience where we might find ourselves tempted to ask "are we there yet?" Impatient with the necessary contemplation. Uncomfortable with the reflective understanding of our own failings. We long to arrive at the Calvary destination where it will all end. Or better yet, the empty tomb with the greeting of the "gardener-like" resurrected One. Yet, on this deliberate winding road, there is no shortcut. While the destination may be certain, the path by which we travel takes us through the moments of both Scriptural narrative and our own lives that will lead us to a hill of execution. Upon that place, in the irony of powerlessness exhibited, nonetheless, the strong victory is "won." In the words of the Puritan writer John Owen, it is the "death of death in the death of Christ."

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>>"Into the Light" - families with addiction often live in fear and shame. But

**Communicate the
Word...**

**Carry on the
Work...**

**Change the
World...**

Together

you are not alone. A service of healing and hope for families touched by addiction by members of Redstone Presbytery will be held at the Reunion Presbyterian Church, 769 Main Street, Mt. Pleasant, PA 15666 on March 26, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. Join them for a candlelight service of prayer, scripture and song. Real stories will be heard of people and families who have struggled with addiction and how they found healing and hope.

>>Session Minutes Review Dates are as follows:

March 21, 2017 - Ft. Burd (4:30 p.m. - prior to Presbytery meeting)

April 19, 2017 - Presbytery Office (6:00 p.m.)

May 16, 2017 - Location TBD (4:30 p.m. - prior to Presbytery meeting)

New Office Hours for 2017

**The Presbytery
Office Hours are:**
Monday through
Thursday
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
CLOSED on Friday

**The Resource
Center Hours are:**
Tuesday through
Thursday
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
CLOSED on Monday
and Friday

Skip is generally in the
office Monday through
Thursday from 9:00
a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Bobbie is in the office
on Monday from 8:00
a.m. to NOON and
Tuesday through
Thursday from 9:00
a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

>>SAVE THE DATE!! The 2017 Confirmation Retreat will take place on Friday, April 7 and Saturday, April 8, 2017 at Pine Springs Camp. Information was sent to Youth Leaders of our churches in December. For questions or registration contact the Presbytery office at 724.837.6737 or secretary@redstonepresbytery.comcastbiz.net.

>>"Walking with the Holy Spirit - Life of Dynamic Cooperation" Conference, April 19-22, 2017 at the Laureville Mennonite Church Center, 941 Laurelville Lane, Mt. Pleasant, PA 15666. Offered by Presbyterian-Reformed Ministries International, this conference will let you learn from Scripture different ways God speaks to people through the Holy Spirit. Then you'll learn ways to discern God's voice and step out in obedient faith. Through practical experience and biblical teaching, you'll learn clear steps in cooperating with the Holy Spirit and walk into a life of dynamic cooperation with God to advance His Kingdom.

>>New Wilmington Mission Conference, July 22-29, 2017, Westminster College, New Wilmington, PA. At 112 years old, the New Wilmington Mission Conference is the longest-running mission conference in the United States. Held every July, NWMC is intergenerational, Presbyterian-related, and youth-focused. About 1,000 people attend from over 30 states and 20 countries for a chance to connect with mission workers and hear what God is doing all over the world. This week-long conference features many well-known and engaging speakers for one low, all-inclusive price! This year's speakers include: Dr. Rodger Nishioka, Director of Adult Educational Ministries at Village Presbyterian Church; Rev. Dr. Jim Singleton, Associate Professor of Pastoral Leadership and Evangelism at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary; Shane Bennett, speaker and writer for Frontiers; as well as many others! Visit the website today for more details or to register: www.nwmcmission.org.



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