

Position Announcement

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

Part-time Church and Preschool Bookkeeper

The successful candidate will, among other responsibilities, record all church offerings, keep books and records to reflect all financial transactions for both the church and pre-school, periodically report financial activities for the church and pre-school, process payrolls for the church and pre-school, prepare/file applicable payroll tax returns/reports, and assist with an annual financial review of all books and records.

The position requires previous financial record keeping experience, demonstrated proficiency with Word and Excel, and familiarity with accounting software. Experience with PowerChurch is a plus. Associate degree or better preferred but not required. This position averages 10-12 hours per week, between time at the church (approximately 2-4 hours per week) and the balance being work that can be performed from home.

Resumes should be sent to Shelley Scranton at office@sapclynchburg.org. The closing date for applications is April 30, 2020. The position starting date is May 18, 2020.

Notes from UKirk Campus Ministry at VA Tech

The VT UKirk community is staying strong and staying together while apart. We continue to meet every Tuesday evening at 7:00 on Zoom. During Holy Week, 15 of us gathered for worship and communion. It was a new thing for all of us to celebrate communion via internet. But we will continue to do this. We also had a game night last week where we play "Bible Reverse Charades." One person tries to guess while the rest of us act out a Bible story.

We also have Bible study together on Thursday evenings at 7:30. This has been a really special time for sharing.

In addition, Kathy Carpenter has been sending out a daily reflection for all of the students and a few other people. Students have commented that this has helped to keep them together.

Please continue to pray for our students. This has been a difficult time for them. They, like all of us, struggle with being apart. They also struggle with the uncertainty of not knowing what the future holds for them. They are not sure what will happen on campus this fall. Many of their summer internships have been cancelled and they are at a loss as to how to fill this void. Their faith is strong as is their commitment to one another.

I am grateful every day for the privilege of being their pastor. Thank you to Peaks Presbytery for your support of our ministry.

Kathy Carpenter

PEAKS POSTINGS

April 21, 2020

News From our CEDEPCA Partners

Our brothers and sisters in Guatemala also are experiencing shelter at home orders. The entire country has a curfew from 4 p.m. to 4 a.m. Shops and markets are closed and anyone over 60 is not allowed out of their home. To date, 239 cases of Covid-19 have been reported in the country and there have been 6 deaths. One of the greatest fears in the country is the return of deportees from the U.S. These people are sent back to Guatemala with no masks and little testing for the virus although many of them have been exposed to the virus in the U.S. detention centers. With a fragile and inadequate health care system, an outbreak of the Covid-19 could devastate the country. Many of those who return are subjected to harassment from society and are being blamed for bringing the virus.

The good news is that the work of CEDEPCA's Disaster Ministry has helped to create strong communities that will be able to survive the pandemic. CEDEPCA has helped them to plant family gardens where they are raising vegetables and chickens to feed their families. The counselors have taught communities how to take care of themselves psychologically and spiritually in times of disaster. The Biblical and Theological studies program continues to hold classes with pastors and lay people online. And, the Women's Ministry is continuing to meet with community leaders to help women who are trapped at home in situations where there could be abuse.

A new PCUSA Mission Co-worker, Betsey Moe, has been hired to work with CEDEPCA. Currently, she is at her home in Spokane and she will go to Guatemala as soon as she is able to do so.

Please continue to pray for our partners in mission. They are grateful for our support and our relationships through the years. This relationship continues to sustain them.

With thanks, Kathy Carpenter



Covid-19 Creativity-Innovation-Old School

Everyone seems to be doing what they can in their particular context to continue vital ministries. Just to name a few ---

Kim Steinhorst, Maysville and New Store PC's, sends a weekly sermon and pastoral prayer via email and USPS.

Keith Leach, College Presbyterian Church, records an abbreviated worship service on his 10 year old MP3 recorder, downloads the file, and emails it to the congregation.

Dale Brown, Cumberland and New Guinea, celebrated Easter on the parking lot, facilitated by an AM Transmitter that creates a 250 foot radius outdoor sanctuary.

Gary and Lisa Marshall, Mallow and Low Moor PC's, can be found on FM 101.9 in Covington at 10:55 a.m.

Loren Tate-Mitchell, Wild Goose Bonsack and Mayberry and Bluemont PC's, records, live-streams, and emails weekly devotionals.

YouTube, Facebook, FM radio, AM radio, Zoom, email, postal-service Congregations are doing what they can. The Word of the Lord will not be silent.

Additional Funding Requested for SBA CARE Act Loans

Additional funding for the Small Business Administration CARE Act loans may be approved by Congress and available by the end of this week. Check with your local bank regarding the status of current applications (some banks are processing the current applications to have ready for submission if additional funding is approved).

It appears that churches had better response to their applications through smaller, local banks such as Select Bank, Bank of the James, Pinnacle Bank, First National Bank and American National Bank. There can only be one application per organization and only one loan per organization (defined by tax ID number). Additional information will be provided as events occur.



Join us for the Compassion, Peace & Justice Training Day Webinar
Imagine God's Earth and People Restored

April 24, Noon (ET)

*"We believe that God created this world, called it good and told humans to care for it.
We are blessed to have this sacred task."*

On April 24, join virtually with people from across the nation to learn how Presbyterians and partners are answering this call and working for the restoration of God's creation and people. We will explore various ways we are addressing climate change, ecological destruction and environmental racism. Advancing climate justice and just transition to value and protect people who have historically been made vulnerable by economic and environmental injustice will be a special focus.

Speakers include:



Emma Lockridge

*Climate and Environmental Justice
Organizer at Michigan United*



Fern Cloud

*Member of the Sisseton-Wahpeton
Dakota Tribe and environmental activist*



Estrella Santiago Pérez

*Environmental Affairs Manager for a
groundbreaking urban land trust project
in Puerto Rico*

[Click here to register!](#)

We will also Livestream the event to our Facebook
page at

<https://www.facebook.com/PCUSAWashington/>



PRESBYTERY CALENDAR

Date	Time	Event	Location
4/23/20	9:30 a.m.	Cabinet Meeting	Zoom
4/27/20	10:00 a.m.	Church Development	Zoom

Next Presbytery Meeting:

June 13, 2020

Meeting Location: Presbytery of the Peaks Office

[On-Line Calendar](#)

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