



PRESBYTERY OF THE PEAKS



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# Welcome To PEAKS POSTINGS

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS BELOW

## PRESBYTERY CALENDAR

Date	Time	Event
5/1/21	9:00 a.m.	Presbytery Meeting
5/4/21	10:00 a.m.	Missions Committee



### OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - THURSDAY

8:30AM - 4:30PM

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**May 1st Presbytery  
Meeting**

**9:00 - 12:30**

**Zoom**

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

***Registration will close on Thursday,  
April 29, at 4:00 p.m.***

**The Report Packet for the May 1  
Presbytery Meeting is now available  
online. You can find that information  
on our webpage under Meeting Infor-  
mation.**

# COVID:



# LESSONS LEARNED

& FINDING A WAY TO MOVE FORWARD

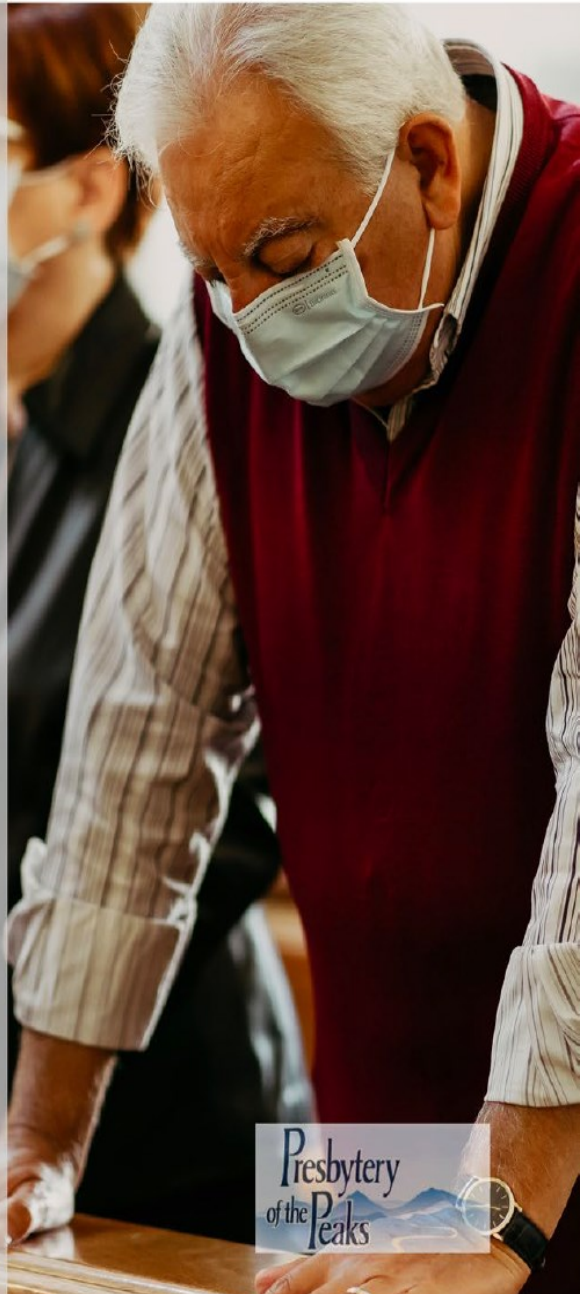
## May 5, 2021

Congregations eventually will get past the pandemic and either return to the way things were or will have become new versions of themselves.

Given that the world will have changed, the former is probably not wise. If this transition stage is not managed well, congregations might emerge showing more signs of what was lost than what has been learned.

**At this Zoom event, Dr. George Anderson, pastor of Second Presbyterian Church of Roanoke, will lead us through a short presentation followed by breakout and large group discussions.**

The live event with Rev. Anderson will take place at 10am with a repeat event at 7pm. The evening event will have a pre-recorded instead of live keynote. Sign up for either event using this link.





## **Covenant Presbyterian, Roanoke and First Presbyterian, Martinsville Become Certified as PC(USA) Earth Care Congregations**

Presbytery of the Peaks churches Covenant Presbyterian, Roanoke and First Presbyterian, Martinsville were certified as Earth Care Congregations by Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)'s Presbyterian Hunger Program through February 2022. This honor speaks to the great commitment that these churches have made to care for God's earth.

To become an Earth Care Congregation, these congregation affirmed an Earth Care Pledge to integrate environmental practices and thinking into their worship, education, facilities, and outreach.

The Earth Care Congregations certification is designed to recognize churches that make the commitment to take seriously God's charge to "till and keep" the garden.

Started in 2010 by the PC(USA), the goal of this program is to inspire churches to care for God's earth in a holistic way, through integrating earth care into all aspects of their church life. The Earth Care Congregation certification honors churches that make that commitment and encourages others to follow their example.

"It is exciting that these churches, both members of the Presbytery of the Peaks, are two of the 276 churches that chose to dedicate themselves to intentional care of God's earth this year. Particularly in a time of much uncertainty and worry about the future, these congregations' activities and commitment even in the midst of navigating limitations brought about by COVID-19 brings hope to their communities. We believe that these congregations will inspire others to respond intentionally to God's call to care for the earth," says Jessica Maudlin, Associate for Sustainable Living and Earth Care Concerns for the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

Covenant and First Martinsville join Blacksburg Presbyterian as Presbytery of the Peaks Earth Care Congregations. Blacksburg became an Earth Care Congregation in 2016.

For more information on the Earth Care Congregations program visit [www.pcusa.org/earthcarecongregations](http://www.pcusa.org/earthcarecongregations)



# Pictures from our Earth Care Churches

## First Martinsville



## Covenant



# Minimum Wage Increase

The Minimum Wage in Virginia is increasing to \$9.50 effective May 1, 2021. This is a \$2.25 increase over the current minimum wage of \$7.25 per hour. The current law requires an increase in minimum wage on January 1, 2022 to \$11.00 per hour and on January 1, 2023 to \$12.00 per hour.

Churches and Church Preschools are not excluded from this legislation. For additional information visit the Virginia Department of Labor website at [Minimum Wage Increase Information](#).

# Trinity Treasures

**May 1**

**8 am to 2 pm**

**household items**

**decor**

**furniture**

**indoor & outdoor  
so much more!**



**Please wear a mask!**

**Trinity Ecumenical Parish, SML**

**40 Lakemount Dr.**

**Moneta, VA 24121**

# **JOIN US AT CAMP BETHEL FOR A SPECTACULAR WEEK OF ADVENTURE June 20-25, 2021**

Adventure Camp has your perfect mix of wild fun and discipleship activities. Adventure Camp is for active youth who enjoy the outdoors.

For more information: [Adventure Camp, Camp Bethel](#)



## **Middle School Adventure**

for rising 6th-8th graders,  
ages 12-15

## **High School Adventure**

for rising 9th-12th graders,  
ages 15-18

**New this Summer:**  
**Biking**  
**Rock Climbing**  
**Belaying**







## RADFORD UNIVERSITY

It is as important as ever that college students have sources of spiritual support. For those that have grown up in our churches, we have all taken baptismal vows to support one another in faith and that does not stop when they go off to college. As one of the co-pastors of the Presbyterian Church of Radford and the campus minister for UKirk at Radford University, I would like help us live up to those baptismal vows to support one another and I need your help. If you know of students who are attending Radford University in the fall who might be interested in getting involved in our campus ministry or just might appreciate having a socially distanced lunch with a pastor, please let me know how to get in contact with them! You can reach me at [peterhf@gmail.com](mailto:peterhf@gmail.com)

Grace and peace, Rev. Peter Hawisher-Faul



Greetings from UKirk! We want to welcome new students into our midst and we need your help in finding those students. Please send me the names and addresses (email and snail) of young adults who will be entering VA Tech this fall. I want to reach out to them to let them know that they have a home away from home here on Washington Street. My email address is [campusminister@pcusavt.org](mailto:campusminister@pcusavt.org) and my phone number is 434-426-4599. Thanks in advance for your help with this.

## **Financial Administrative Assistant**

Covenant Presbyterian Church is seeking a part-time Financial Administrative Assistant, 25-30 hours per week, salary negotiable. The overall purpose of this position is to administrate the financial arm of the Church, working with the Pastor, Staff, and Ministry Teams to achieve the organization's mission of loving God, loving people, and making disciples. Requirements include: two years formal accounting training or equivalent work experience, and experience with Microsoft Office 365 and QuickBooks. Please send resumes and other inquires to [office@covroanoke.org](mailto:office@covroanoke.org).

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