



PRESBYTERY OF THE PEAKS



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Welcome To PEAKS POSTINGS

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS BELOW

PRESBYTERY CALENDAR

Date	Time	Event
5/5/21	10:00 a.m.	COVID: Lessons Learned Webinar



OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - THURSDAY

8:30AM - 4:30PM

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COVID: LESSONS LEARNED AND FINDING A WAY FORWARD

May 5 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

7pm Session Cancelled

Join using the link below at 10am on May 5th:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88987382536?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88987382536?pwd=cmFJWlRuS3lvTC8yTnNsOVY4NmxiQT09)

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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.



"Reading the Bible with New Eyes: Finding a Life-Giving Faith in Guatemala"

Without travel to Guatemala to connect us, our mission partner CEDEPCA (Protestant Center for Pastoral Studies in Central America) is offering a "Virtual Journey." For years, Protestants in Guatemala have been taught a narrow Fundamentalism, and now are making new discoveries as they read the Bible. And we can too!

On this Virtual Journey, learn how a theology based in the love and justice of Jesus Christ is transforming the lives and communities of people in Central America. You will hear testimonies from pastors and laypeople in CEDEPCA's Biblical and Theological Formation program and be led through an eye-opening study of scripture by Dr. Paulo Ueti, Anglican theologian, New Testament scholar, and friend of CEDEPCA.

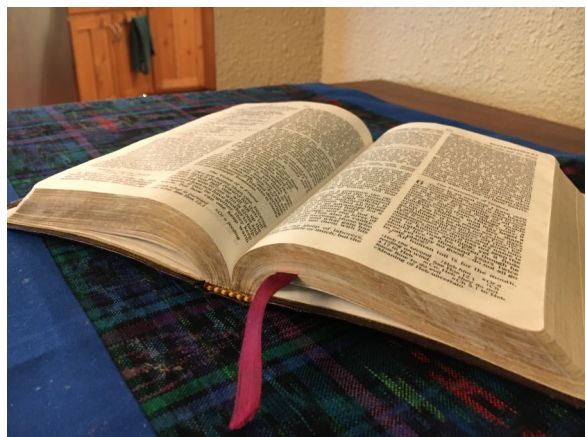
Wednesday, May 19, 7:30-9:00 p.m.

Register in advance for this meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYvfu-orTwiE9yIIYNql_a-H6F9WfGGbwX2

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Suggested donation \$11.



Church Nursery Attendant Needed!

Forest Presbyterian Church is seeking a kind and conscientious person to take care of our children in the nursery during Sunday morning services.

This paid position requires roughly two hours of time each Sunday morning between 10 am and noon.

Would you like to learn more? Please call the Forest Presbyterian Church office at 525-5500 and ask for Joan or Morgan.

We are a small, close-knit church family;
Forest Presbyterian just may be the
perfect place for you!

Have you ever wondered about the possibility of food being traded in a way that is honest and fair, a way that empowers both farmers and consumers? It is possible, and Equal Exchange / Presbyterian Coffee Project, can show you how. While the Fair Trade industry has been “watered down in favor of corporate interests,” Equal Exchange has increased efforts to build a truly democratic food system. To learn how you or your congregation can be more involved – through purchasing products and/or investing energy to change the system, visit <https://equalexchange.coop/pcusa>.

The Presbytery of the Peaks supports and promotes Equal Exchange, offering coffee, tea and chocolate for purchase at in-person meetings. A new shipment is now available and, during these virtual times, can be available to you through the mail or for pick-up. Contact Denise Pillow, denisepillow@gmail.com, to learn what’s available and how it can be yours!





In case you missed the Matthew 25 presentation given by Sy Hughes, *Mission Engagement Advisor, Presbytery Mission Agency*, we have a link to the presentation and powerpoint below.

The material is especially helpful in conveying what Matthew 25 can mean to a congregation.

[To the video](#)

[To the powerpoint](#)

More pictures from Covenant Presbyterian Church celebrating becoming an Earth Care congregation

Planting butterfly bush: In honor of Earth Day, a butterfly bush was planted by Jerry Barnes (Earth Care Team member), and Alan Burr and Devon Ramsburg from our Youth Group.



In the Diminishing Apple pic, Mandy Culley, Children's Music Director for Covenant, demonstrated how much drinkable water makes up the earth and our need to care for it.

The recycling award picture shows Elizabeth Allen receiving the award for her leadership and hands-on-management of Covenant's plastic bag recycling ministry. The bags are collected, sorted and given to TREX, a company that makes, among other things, outdoor furniture.



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](#).

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



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Guidelines for announcements or news items to be featured in *Peaks Postings*:

- Keep the information to one page or less.
- Use links to web sites rather than including lots of details.
- Please obtain permission from the people pictured in your photos before submitting them to *Peaks Postings*.

Peaks Postings Editors reserve the right to

- feature or not feature an article. Our first priority is to feature activities within POP churches and the Presbytery.
- edit submitted articles/announcements.
- limit the number of weeks an article/announcement is featured.

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