



PRESBYTERY OF THE PEAKS



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Welcome To  
**PEAKS POSTINGS**

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS BELOW

**PRESBYTERY CALENDAR**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>
9/15/21	9:30 a.m.	Examinations Committee
9/15/21	2:00 p.m.	CP Workgroup



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MONDAY - THURSDAY  
8:30AM - 4:30PM

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## **Two Cents a Meal Grant Applications are due October 1, 2021**

To be eligible for Two Cents-a-Meal funding, programs should provide at least one of the following: direct food relief, development assistance, public policy influence, lifestyle integrity, education and interpretation. To learn more, visit [www.peakspresbytery.org](http://www.peakspresbytery.org)

Applications may be submitted one time per year, and must be postmarked or emailed by April 1 or October 1 and may be sent using the following:

Presbytery of the Peaks PO Box 2519 Forest,  
VA 24551 or [office@peakspresbytery.org](mailto:office@peakspresbytery.org)



First Presbyterian Church,  
Danville is now hiring for an  
Interim Director of Music  
Ministry.

Click [here](#) for the job  
description.



Click [here](#) to read the latest COVID response letter from our General Presbyter.

### **Creatively Coping with COVID Webinar Replay**

The Church Development Committee had a great webinar last week on how various churches are handling the challenges of the COVID Era. If you missed it, don't worry; we recorded it!

Catch the replay here:

<https://youtu.be/jy4W9104EC0>



Second Presbyterian Church  
is advertising for a Church  
Business Administrator/Facility Manager. Click  
[here](#) to read the Job Description.

## **PEAKS PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN ANNUAL GATHERING**

**Saturday, September 25, 2021, 9:45 a.m.**

Please join us via ZOOM for our Peaks PW Annual Gathering when we will be installing our new Moderator, **Shelda Wills**. We want as many women as possible to join us on ZOOM to welcome Shelda to her new role.

Our gathering is going to be lots of fun. We have several excellent speakers lined up and several people who want to get to know our Presbyterian Women.



Gathering music begins at 9:45 a.m. with **Marianne M. Sandborg**, organist and soloist at Second Presbyterian Church in Roanoke.



Devotions and Reflections will be presented by the **Rev. Susan Louise Ennis** (Pastor Susi) from First Presbyterian Church in Covington.



Our mission project has been concentrated on books for our children. We are pleased to announce that **Bud Grey**, Senior Vice President of Carilion Wellness, based in Roanoke, will be our guest speaker. He has written a great book entitled **The Buddy Bridge** for his granddaughter. He will speak about his inspiration for this book.

Our own **Laura Crumbley**, a member of First Presbyterian Church in Lynchburg, will talk about the Horizons Bible Study, *What My Grandmothers Taught Me: Learning from the Women in Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus*. The women's circles at Laura's church field tested the study.

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## Presbyterian Women Article continued...

*Dr. Carl Utley, Peaks General Presbyter, will bring greetings from the Presbytery.*



*The new members of the Peaks PW Coordinating Team will be installed by **Pam Snyder**, Director of Music at Second Presbyterian Church in Staunton and a former PW Moderator of the Synod of the Mid-Atlantic.*

*We look forward to seeing you on ZOOM. Be safe and lots of blessings to you and your families.*

*Helen Dean, Moderator*

### Zoom Invitation

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82850911483?pwd=YklrWjZOR0JvcThZTVptQXFQMVIOUT09>

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The Peace & Global Witness Offering helps us imagine and create in each of our individual expressions, and together as a whole Church, a witness to the God of Peace. Twenty-five percent of your collection will be used by your congregation to ---- witness to Christ's peace in your community. Twenty-five percent is shared with your mid council region, and 50% is shared with our denominational partners so that our witness to peace is extended, and we help fulfill the daring prayer in 2nd Thessalonians: that the God of Peace is known "at all times in all ways."

*Rev. Ben Brannan was installed as Associate Pastor of Youth and Young Adults at Second Presbyterian Church, Roanoke on Sept. 12, 2021.*



## **Racial Equity Training for Pastors**

In 2020 the Presbytery of the Peaks Cabinet recommended that all pastors and commissioned pastors of the Presbytery of the Peaks participate in anti-racism training annually. In March 2021 the Presbytery formed a Racial Equity Workgroup to coordinate a training program for pastors. **The training is voluntary; however, we pray that you will participate to learn more about how we can be part of God's mission of reconciliation for all people.**

The Racial Equity Work Group has the following mission:

**To investigate racial equity training programs and to structure and coordinate a program to meet the needs of the Presbytery of the Peaks with the goal of improving racial equity in the churches of the Presbytery and beyond.**

Before offering the training, the Workgroup will be surveying participants with the following goals:

- To understand pastors' awareness of racial equity issues in their churches, the presbytery, and the wider culture.
- To use this information to structure appropriate racial equity training.

The survey will be anonymous with aggregate results (never individual data) shared with the facilitator before the training and participants at a later date.

The survey will be administered later in September with training in January 2022.

Members of the Workgroup are Margie Anderson, Jen Brothers, Terri Cornwell, Bob Fiedler, Naomi Hodge Muse, Carl Utley, Eleese Wilson, and Jill Williams. If you are interested in joining the Workgroup which meets monthly on Zoom, please contact Terri Cornwell ([terricornwell@aol.com](mailto:terricornwell@aol.com)).

## Church Redevelopment Grant Deadline Oct 15th

The recently approved Church Redevelopment Grant application deadline is coming up on October 15th. This grant program was established to enable congregations to explore new areas of ministry and vitality to deepen and broaden their witness. If you miss this deadline, the next deadline is on February 15th, 2022.

For more information and for the application, please click on this link:

<https://www.peakspresbytery.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/Church-Redevelopment-Grants-1.pdf>

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Check out the job opportunities around the presbytery on our webpage.

### Positions Available

**Churches with openings include:**

**First PC, Lynchburg**

**Second**

**Radford**

**Quaker Memorial**

**Westminster**

**Covenant**

**Radford**

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