

PRESBYTERY CALENDAR

Date	Time	Event
2-27-22	2:00 p.m.	South Sudan Zoom Discussion
3-01-22	10:00 a.m.	Missions Committee

MONDAY - THURSDAY 8:30AM - 4:30PM Fax: (434) 845-7829

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Edith Patton's Funeral Arrangements

Attached is the obituary for Edith Patton. Her service will be held on March 19th at 2:00 pm. The service will be live streamed and details for watching will be posted on the link below once details are finalized.

https://www.heritagecares.com/obituaries/Edith-Patton-2/ #!/Obituary



Presbytery of the Peaks

Communications Director

Presbytery of the Peaks is searching for a new Communications Director. This is a part-time (20 hours per week) position.

Click <u>here</u> for the full job description.

All interested applicants should send a resume to the Presbytery Office at office@peakspresbytery.org or mail to:

> Presbytery of the Peaks PO Box 2519 Forest, VA 24551

Preaching and Teaching Prophetically in Your Congregation

Are you a church leader in the Presbytery of the Peaks currently engaged in or interested in preaching or teaching prophetically about racial justice and equity? Are you interested in supporting, being supported by, and learning from your peers in other congregations? If so, please consider registering to participate in an initial support group discussion on Tuesday, March 1 from noon-1pm via Zoom. Registration is not required, but is helpful to organizers. Group discussion will be facilitated by Rev. Naomi Hodge Muse, Rev. Jen Brothers, and Jill Williams. If you are interested in this discussion, please complete the registration here: <u>https://forms.gle/VppwJVbs83RwkQs16</u> If you are interested in this discussion, but unavailable on March 1 at noon, please complete the form and indicate at the end that you are unable to attend.

We hope you will join us!

Racial Equity Workgroup



Through your gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing, you connect with "those who have least" and help repair the breaches in our world. This special offering supports three impactful programs : Presbyterian Disaster Assis-

tance, Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People.

You can find resources to help your congregation prepare for the offering by going on the web to PCUSA One Great Hour of Sharing. You'll find Minutes for Mission, Worship Resources, Bulletin Inserts and other helps. The One Great Hour of Sharing is often received on Easter Sunday or Palm Sunday but can also be received anytime during Lent.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH of SOUTH SUDAN (PCoSS) UPDATE AND ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

Sunday, February 27, 2022 2:00 pm (via Zoom) Meeting ID: 870 9962 7412 Passcode: 843895

"When the elephants fight, the grass gets trampled." – African proverb When powerful forces are in conflict, it's their people who are hurt. Those who never asked for the conflict in the first place are caught, killed, suffer and are left behind in the crossfire.

Please join us via Zoom for an update on the situation (political, ecclesiastical and humanitarian) in South Sudan, and the possibilities for interaction between our presbytery and our brothers and sisters in Christ there. In addition to the situation update, we will be discussing the roadblocks deterring partnerships (and ways around or through them), experiences with other presbyteries, our next steps, and opportunities for personal prayers for specific people and situations.

> Panel members will include: Sharon Kandel Regional Liaison for the Horn of Africa Presbyterian Mission Agency, PC(USA)

Jim McGill Mission Co-worker in Niger (also works in South Sudan) Facilitator for Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) Programs Presbyterian Mission Agency, PC(USA)

> Bill Andress Trinity South Sudan Ministry (Trinity Presbytery) The Boma Assistance Group for South Sudan



Nyadiang Gak, 50, stands beside her flooded crops. "I planted maize next to my home, but when the second flood came [this year], it destroyed it," she says. "I feel sad because, before these floods, I had a kitchen garden that put food on the table." (September 2021)



Volunteers build a large dike to contain floodwater that has inundated a soccer field. They are creating a dry area for helicopters carrying emergency aid to land. (September 2021) *Peter Caton for Action Against Hunger*

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Mark your calendars for this Enneagram Workshop.

When: Friday and Saturday, March 18th and 19th

Friday p.m. We gather at 5:45 p.m. for a light dinner and introduction to the Enneagram.

Saturday a.m. 8:30 - 9:00 A light continental breakfast.

9:00 – 5:00 Dig deeper into the spirituality of the Enneagram. A box lunch will be served and we will conclude at 5:00 p.m.

Where: Second Presbyterian Church, Roanoke, Virginia

Cost: \$45: Register Below

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/enneagram-workshop-rediscover-your-goodness-tickets-197210189987

Why: The two days will be a lively, informative, and rich experience based on the extensive and yet very practical enneagram primer, <u>Spiritual Rhythms for the Enneagram: A Handbook for Harmony and Transformation</u>. We encourage all participants to purchase this resource.

Each session during the two days will be facilitated by trained enneagram practitioners:

Art Wimberly - Certified Enneagram *in Business Trainer*, Certified with *The Institute for Conscious Being* - *Enneagram Training Program*, Certified Recovery Coach and Certified Recovery Coach Trainer -Connecticut Community of Addiction Recovery, Group Facilitator: The Nine and Twelve (Enneagram and 12 Step Synthesis Path), Executive Director - THRIVE Birmingham 501c3

Cathy Shoulders -Certified Motions of the Soul Practitioner, Certified with The Institute for Conscious Being - Enneagram Training Program, Certified Spiritual Director

John Shoulders - Certified Motions of the Soul Practitioner, Certified with The Institute for Conscious Being - Enneagram Training Program

Join us at Camp Bethel for an incredible week of physically distanced adventures!

This summer we will once again partner with Camp Bethel to offer opportunities for middle and high school adventure camps. New this year, we will not have a designated week for a presbytery camp, campers may register for whatever week of camp works best.

Adventure Camp has your perfect mix of wild fun and discipleship activities. Adventure Camp is for active youth who enjoy the outdoors. Descriptions of the camps can be found here: <u>Summer Camps at Camp Bethel in Fincastle VA - CampBethelVirginia.org</u>

Presbytery of the Peaks will pay half of the camper fee for Presbytery Campers.

For more information on how to register please contact Sam Smith at 434.845.1754 or <u>sam@peakspresbytery.org</u>.



Join Massanetta Staff 2022

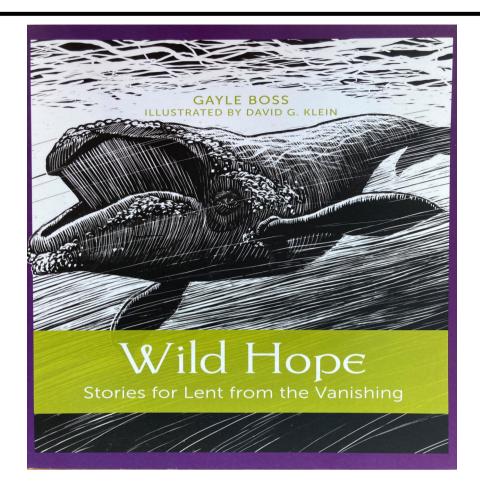
Summer staff positions are an essential part of Massanetta's mission! Live on-site and help create a welcoming community for staff and guests. Paid positions with all meals during working hours provided and meals provided during off hours when available.

We're looking for. . .

- hospitality interns
- summer staff
- assistant, Day Camp Manager

Go to massanettasprings.org/blogarchive/joinus-this-summer to apply/ for more information.





Pangolins and polar bears, olms, lemurs, and leopards. We share this beautiful blue-green globe with creatures magnificent, delicate, intricate - and now vanishing at a faster rate than at any other time in Earth's history. Spend Lent with twentyfive of these wild ones. Their stories thaw our stiff hearts and wake us to both a greater compassion and a wild hope that from all this death and ruin something new could rise.





Alter: A Dementia-friendly Congregation Program for African American Churches

REGISTER!

Dementia, such as Alzheimer's disease, is attacking the African American community and through the Alter program, Dr. Epps is making sure African American churches are equipped to respond to this public health crisis. The Alter program partners with African American congregations/ministries and provide them education, resources, and financial contributions to enable them to support older adults and families affected by dementia. This program is of no cost to the church and works with churches in 3 main areas: support programs, education/awareness, and worship. Alter is here to help church leaders help their members. Please join us to learn more how Dr. Epps and her team can support your congregation.

For this presentation, the following topics will be covered

• The need for tailored dementia-related support and resources in the African American community

• The role of the African American church in addressing disparities associated with dementia

• A discussion on how the Alter program can support African American churches and families facing dementia.



God of Justice, as we prepare to raise our palms in celebration, help us to remember we play an important role in protecting forests, local jobs and sustainable livelihoods in harvesting communities. May your spirit work in us and bring about more compassion, peace and justice. Amen

Jessica Maudlin, Presbyterian Hunger Program

ECO-PALMS ORDER INFORMATION

This lovely prayer appeared in a recent Mission Yearbook post, which focused on Eco-Palms as we move toward Palm Sunday and Easter. <u>https://www.presbyterianmission.org/year.../february-8-2022/</u>To

learn more and make a difference by ordering Eco-Palms, visit <u>https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/compassion-peace-justice/hunger/enough/eco-palms-2/</u> Order deadline is March 18, 2022.

Peaks Postings is published each week on Tuesday. Please submit news, events, or prayer requests **by noon on Mondays** to Julie Burnett at julie@peakspresbytery.org for inclusion in the following issue.

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.

Past issues of Peaks Postings are archived for about six months on our website, <u>Presbytery</u> of the Peaks