

PRESBYTERY CALENDAR

Date	Time	Event
3-16-22	9:30 a.m.	Examinations
3-16-22	2:00 p.m.	CP Workgroup
3-19-22	1:00 p.m.	Mystery Mission Madness
		(POPYOCO)



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

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The current Russian invasion that started on February 24 follows eight years of conflict between Russia and Ukraine. Hundreds of thousands of people across the country are enduring bombings and assault by Russian military forces; and have lost power, been cut off from water and fuel. As people head toward the western regions, there is a shortage of food and other basic supplies. The reports of displaced persons inside Ukraine continue to rise every day, already in the hundreds of thousands. The UN anticipates that as many as 6.7 million will be displaced internally. Likewise, Ukrainians are fleeing to neighboring countries, primarily to Poland, Hungary, Moldova, Romania, Slovakia, while others have moved to other European countries. Again, current estimates from the UN are that the refugee numbers could also reach several million. These borders have remained open until now even as lines are growing.

Partners are raising particular concern for the women and young children who make up the majority of the refugees as many men are now barred from leaving the country. As part of the international humanitarian community, PDA urges that governments and non-governmental organizations provide assistance without discrimination due to concerns for the Roma and people of other nationalities who have also been displaced by the conflict.

In the midst of the chaos, there are sibling churches and ecumenical partners who are already providing assistance with basic items for survival. Initial assistance being provided includes shelter, food, clothing, blankets, baby food and diapers, other hygiene supplies, flashlights and candles, generators and fuel.

Our response to the situation in Ukraine will include both financial and technical assistance as the network of faith communities providing humanitarian assistance grows in the months ahead.

Please send your donations to the Presbytery Office with the designation

DR000156-Ukraine

Presbytery of the Peaks Youth Council's

Mystery Mission Madness

Saturday March 19, 2022



1-5pm Covenant Presbyterian Church Roanoke, VA

Keynote Speaker: Anghaarad Dees



IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

MASKS ARE REQUIRED REGISTER AT peakspresbytery.org

EMAIL sam@peakspresbytery.org FOR MORE INFORMATION

Two Cents-a-Meal Grant Application Deadline April 1

For additional information concerning Two Cents-A -Meal or to request a grant, please contact:

Presbytery of the Peaks Office at 1(888)557-3257 or office@peakspresbytery.org

Please mail your application to: PO Box 2519, Forest, VA 24551 or email

to: office@peakspresbytery.org

*Please Note: The Hunger Action Advocate position is currently not filled. Please direct all communications directly to the Presbytery Office.

To be eligible for TWO CENTS-A-MEAL, programs should provide at least one of the following: direct food relief, development assistance, public policy influence, lifestyle integrity, education and interpretation.



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