



PRESBYTERY OF THE PEAKS



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Welcome To PEAKS POSTINGS

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS BELOW

PRESBYTERY CALENDAR

Date	Time	Event
11-17-22	9:00 a.m.	Presbytery Meeting

OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - THURSDAY

8:30AM - 4:30PM

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Welcome Our New Justice & Mercy Ministry Specialist Rev. Vernie Bolden

Vernie@peakspresbytery.org

Rev. Vernie Bolden may be a familiar face to some of you, as he has served as Stated Supply at Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church in Roanoke since 2017, and will continue in that capacity.

He is a graduate of UNC Greensboro, B.F.A. and Lexington Seminary, M. Div.

In addition to his 13 years in formal ministry, he brings extensive experience from the hospitality industry.

In his new role, he looks forward to engaging with people and congregations-- a fan of stand-up comedy, this includes engaging by using humor.

5 FAST FACTS *to know about* VERNIE



1. Family

Vernie and his wife, Dr. Angela Bolden, have three children: Avery, Vaughn and Odessa.

2. Favorite Dessert

His favorite dessert is cheesecake or ice cream.



3. Favorite Color

Burgundy or something in the reds is his favorite color to paint with. His favorite medium is acrylic paint.

4. Recently Read

He enjoys the mystery, thriller, suspense genre, especially Robert Crais's *Elvis Cole* series.



5. Life Scripture

Matthew 22: 37-38

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind... And the second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself." NIV



**REGISTRATION
NOW OPEN!**

November 17 Presbytery Meeting, 9:00 - 12:30
Hybrid Meeting, Second Presbyterian in Roanoke
of on Zoom

[Click here to register](#)

Registration closed Wed. at 4:00 p.m.



**Grants
Available**

You're invited to apply for a Discipleship Grant. Have an idea to build up disciples in your context in partnership with another church? We might just have the funds for you. Click here to see our application guidelines. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until December 4th or until funds run out.

CLICK HERE



ATTENTION CLERKS OF SESSIONS

The Session Records Work Group continues to receive and review both past and current Session Minutes.

Past or current sets of Session Minutes may be submitted for review at any time. Please note, however, that **2021 Session Minutes are due for review during 2022**. The Work Group reviews Session Minutes alphabetically by church name. The remaining schedule for the **review of 2021 Session Minutes in 2022** is as follows:

November 17 - Churches with names beginning with P-W

For the November 17 Meeting, a hard copy of Session Record Minutes (no binders please) may be dropped off at the Session Records Table. Minutes previously reviewed by the workgroup will also be available for pick up.

While the Presbytery of the Peaks has been unable to meet in person, churches have been asked to **EITHER mail hard copies** of the Minutes (no binders, please), along with a completed "Session Records Review Form," to Shelda Wills, Session Records Work Group Chair, Christiansburg Presbyterian Church, 107 West Main Street, Christiansburg, VA 24073, **OR email digital copies** of the Minutes, along with the completed "Session Records Review Form," to swills@usit.net. Contact Shelda at 540-382-2802 with questions. **Churches should NOT send Minutes to the Presbytery Office!**

Materials to assist Clerks of Session in their duties are available on-line through the Presbytery website at www.peakspresbytery.org. Click on "Resources"; then click on "Forms & Documents"; then click on "Session Records" to view these materials. The "Session Records Review Form" for the current year is available there for download.



YOU'RE INVITED TO OUR 3RD ANNUAL

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3

10am-3pm

Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church

5810 Fort Avenue, Lynchburg, VA

EXPLORE *Guatemala*

APRIL 17-24, 2023

WITH

Engage

Engage with our mission partners in CEDEPCA.
Experience their transforming mission.

Discover

Meet amazing people whose lives God has
changed through CEDEPCA.

Learn

Experience the dynamic approach to mission
and transformation in CEDEPCA's ministry.

Renew

Find renewal, energy, and inspiration for our
mission here. Enjoy Guatemala's natural beauty,
Mayan heritage, and the splendid hospitality of
Christian siblings in Guatemala.

COST \$2,000 (approximate)

*Includes airfare, meals, lodging, travel within Guatemala,
guides, and translators. Financial assistance available
from each presbytery.*



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Lunch with Lowe & Friends Advent/Christmas Concert

***Friday, December 2 @ 12 PM
Covenant Presbyterian ~ Roanoke***



Kick off the Advent/Christmas season with special music & a delicious lunch!

***Featuring organ solos by Renn Lowe &
organ with flute by the very talented Julee Hickcox
... from a beautiful arrangement of "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"
to a rousing finale of "The Nutcracker" ... and so much more!***

The concert is free and open to the public.

After the concert, join us for lunch prepared by our own Chef Eaton!

Lunch is \$10 for a wrap, salad, & dessert.

***For lunch, RSVP to the church office by Monday, November 28
(540-989-3314 or office@covroanoke.org)***



Mr. Renn Lowe has been the Organist/Accompanist at Covenant since January, 2020. Renn is a graduate of Roanoke College and holds Bachelor of Arts degrees in Music Education and Organ Performance. Renn's performances have been termed as expressive, exciting, with inspiring registrations.



Ms. Julee Hickcox is 2nd Flute/Piccolo and Personnel Contractor for the Roanoke Symphony. She began her formal flute studies and orchestral training at the age of 15 at the North Carolina School of the Arts. Julee has been a member of the Roanoke Symphony Orchestra for over 25 years and has performed with the orchestras of Mill Mountain Theater and Opera Roanoke.



**PRESBYTERIAN
DISASTER
ASSISTANCE**

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Please continue to pray for those affected by the recent hurricanes. Donations for relief efforts may be sent to Presbytery of the Peaks and we will forward on to PDA.



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, [Presbytery of the Peaks](#)