



PRESBYTERY OF THE PEAKS



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# Welcome To PEAKS POSTINGS

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS BELOW

## PRESBYTERY CALENDAR

**Date**

**Time**

**Event**

No Scheduled Meetings this week.



### OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - THURSDAY

8:30AM - 4:30PM

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# Merry Christmas

**Have a blessed Christmas and  
Happy New Year.**

**The Presbytery Office will be  
closed from December 26 –  
January 2, 2023. We will be  
back in the office on January 3.**



# Blue Christmas

REMEMBER...REFLECT...RESTORE

A WORSHIP SERVICE DESIGNED TO  
SUPPORT THOSE WHO MAY FEEL "BLUE"  
THIS TIME OF YEAR

*"...LOVE ONE ANOTHER AS I HAVE LOVED YOU..."*  
JOHN 15:12

Fifth Avenue  
Presbyterian Church

WEDNESDAY  
DECEMBER 21

6:00 PM

IN-PERSON OR ZOOM:

301 PATTON AVE NW  
ROANOKE VA 24016

MEETING ID: 831 5479 0742  
PASSCODE: 391308



# *Happy Retirement!*

Rev. Janice Fraser

Pastor, New Concord Presbyterian Church  
Appomattox Court House Presbyterian Church

Rev. Michael Hickman

Pastor, Gethsemane United Presbyterian Church

Rev. Dr. Donald Makin

Pastor, Christiansburg Presbyterian Church

Shelda Wills

Executive Secretary, Christiansburg Presbyterian  
Church



Godspeed

Rev. Jennifer Powell

First Presbyterian - Mount Sterling, Kentucky  
Transylvania Presbytery  
January 15, 2023





## *Closing Service for Glasgow Presbyterian Church*

*Friends of the Presbytery and Glasgow Presbyterian Church are cordially invited to the last service of Glasgow Presbyterian Church to be held on December 25, 2022 at 11:00 a.m.*





## **Peaks Presbytery Churches Generously Support Disaster Relief in 2022**

The Presbytery of the Peaks has received over \$57,000 from our churches and individuals in support of the many disasters that have occurred in 2022. All total 31 churches have responded (many multiple times) supporting the relief efforts of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance .

The support for national crises includes:

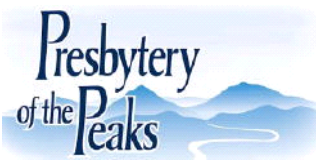
- Tornado relief to Kentucky and the Midwest
- Flood relief to Kentucky (Buchanan County)
- US Wildfire response
- Hurricanes Fiona and Ian in the Fall of 2022

Peaks Presbyterian Churches have given generously to the Ukraine Disaster Relief Fund as well as to relief efforts in South Sudan.

The Presbytery is grateful for the support from our congregations and members. The funds provide the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance the ability to partner with presbyteries, congregations and communities to meet immediate and long term needs.



The next Adaptive Church Project will be held on January 10-11, 2023 at Farmville Presbyterian Church. Register [here](#).



### **Time to Designate 2023 Housing Allowance**

Now is the time for your session to approve the 2023 Housing allowance for ministers.

For the 2023 Housing allowance to be in effect on January 1, 2023, the session approval must be by December 31, 2022.

The 2023 Housing Allowance can be adopted after the start of the new year, but it only applies from the date of the adoption and going forward.

Wording for the approval of the allowance should include that *"the designation of \$\$\$\$ (amount of allowance) shall apply to calendar year 2023 and all future years unless otherwise provided."*

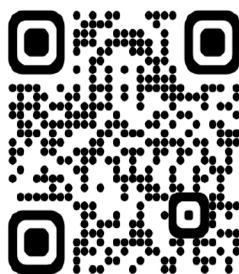




## SUMMER 2023 STAFF

Massanetta Springs is hiring Netta Camp Staff for summer 2023! Serve as a leader for week-long, themed camps where kids can swim, paddle, create, play, and explore all within a caring Christian environment. We're hiring camp counselors and recreation staff— housing and meals included!

For more information and to apply contact Christian Deen, Day Camp Manager, at [daycamp@massanettasprings.org](mailto:daycamp@massanettasprings.org) or scan the code below!





**Massanetta Springs** 

# CONFIRMATION RETREAT

**FEBRUARY 3-5, 2023**

This retreat focuses on broader questions of why we join the Church, what we want our churches to be like, and how we can actively engage in that work. This retreat is intentionally planned to gather confirmation students together in meaningful ways while giving space for home church groups to continue their own work, whatever that looks like!

To register, visit  
<https://massanettasprings.org/programs/confirmation>  
or contact Colleen Earp, Program Director, at  
[colleen@massanettasprings.org](mailto:colleen@massanettasprings.org) or call (540) 434-3829

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- 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.
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