



PRESBYTERY OF THE PEAKS



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## Welcome To PEAKS POSTINGS

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS BELOW

### PRESBYTERY CALENDAR

Date	Time	Event
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No scheduled meetings this week.

The Presbytery Office will be closed Tuesday, July 4th.



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# Sabbatical Reading List

The world is changing. The church is changing. Change brings loss. Loss needs grief. Carl's reading list reflects this reality. But it is not all doom, gloom and darkness. Christ is the light that brings hope in the midst of change, loss and grief. And, we as the church, are called to reflect the light of Christ to the world.



## ***The Home of God: A Brief Story of Everything***

Miroslav Volf and Ryan McAnnally-Linz

## ***We Aren't Broke:***

### ***Uncovering Hidden Resources for Mission and Ministry***

Mark Eldson

## ***Grief and Loss Across the Lifespan: A Biopsychosocial Perspective***

McCoyd, J. L. M., Koller, J. M., & Walter, C. A.

## ***Aging: Growing Old in the Church***

William H. Willimon

## ***The Other Side of Sadness: What the New Science of Bereavement Tells Us about Life After Loss***

George A. Bonanno

## ***The Last Pastor:***

### ***Faithfully Steering a Closing Church***

Gail Cafferata

## ***The New Testament in Its World: An Introduction to the History, Literature, and Theology of the First Christians***

N.T. Wright and Michael F. Bird



## Bronwen Boswell named Acting Stated Clerk of the General Assembly of the PC(USA)

The Committee on the Office of the General Assembly has announced that the Rev. Bronwen Boswell has been named Acting Stated Clerk of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Boswell, who is currently general presbyter/stated clerk at Shenandoah Presbytery, will serve until the election of a new stated clerk at the 226<sup>th</sup> General Assembly in Salt Lake City, Utah, next summer. She will fill the unexpired term of the Rev. Dr. J. Herbert Nelson, II, who recently announced his decision to step down at the end of June.



To read the full article, click [here](#).





## 2023-2024 Presbyterian Planning Calendars

Orders are now being taken for Presbyterian Planning Calendars that will run from September 2023 to December 2024, at our best possible price- **\$9.75** each.

We will pre-order calendars mid-July with calendar orders filled first and extra calendars offered at a first come, first served basis. After the pre-ordered calendars are sold we cannot honor the discounted price, so get your orders in SOON! (Regular calendar price through the Distribution Center is \$16.75)

**Calendars will not be sent to our office from the distribution center until August.**

Date of Order: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Calendars Needed: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Individual/Church: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Shipping Information:

\_\_\_\_\_ I will pick up at the Presbytery Office.

\_\_\_\_\_ Please ship to me at the following address:  
(shipping charges do apply)



# REFER A HOKIE!

We'd love to reach out to your  
Virginia Tech students to tell  
them more about UKirk  
Presbyterian Campus  
Ministry! Contact  
Rev. Emily Rhodes Hunter:  
[campusminister@pcusa.vt.org](mailto:campusminister@pcusa.vt.org)





# The Climate Crisis & Empowering Hope

**Hybrid Conference**  
Sept. 21-23, 2023

*Alison Bennett*



“The Climate Crisis & Empowering Hope” is our theme for our 2023 national conference. The conference will deal with the greatest moral issue of the day and practical ways that our faith can guide us to act for creation care. We will gather in person in the beautiful Shenandoah Valley and at three satellite locations (California, Arkansas and Minnesota) and we will also stream all presentations online. We will learn from top church leaders, gifted biblical and theological teachers, activists, pastors, and one another. This important conference will make a difference for God’s creation and the Church.

Click [here](#) for conference information and registration





# PUERTO RICO

## *Mission Trip*

**JUNE 15-21, 2024**



### *Praise*

Partnering with Praying Pelican Missions and Iglesia Cristiana Cristo Redentor in Toa Alta, Puerto Rico.



### *Relate*

Serving impoverished communities in storm-battered neighborhoods helping to bring hope and the Gospel of Jesus Christ.



### *Work*

Building up the Kingdom of God one brick and one nail at a time helping to rebuild hurricane-swept homes and churches.



**INTERESTED?  
LEARN MORE:**

Contact Rev. Ed Soto  
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## **Part-time Choir Accompanist St. Andrew Presbyterian Church**

Part-time Choir Accompanist starting mid-August

Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church seeks applicants with formal music training in piano, organ skills desirable, and accompanying experience to serve in the following roles:

1. Accompany the choir at rehearsals scheduled on Wednesday nights and Sunday mornings.
2. Accompany the choir at Sunday's 11:00 traditional worship service.
3. Accompany the choir at other scheduled services, such as Maundy Thursday and Christmas Eve, in which the choir participates.

The music ministry provides standard sacred choral repertoire performed in the traditional worship service each Sunday and special services. Our sanctuary instruments include a Rodgers, 3-manual with MIDI organ, and a Conover grand piano.

Qualified applicants should email resumes, including performance link(s) to Cheryl Lindeman, Personnel Chair, at [personnel@sapclynchburg.org](mailto:personnel@sapclynchburg.org).

Review of applications will begin June 15.



## **Temporary Supply Pastor Position Berry Hill Presbyterian Church**

Berry Hill Presbyterian Church is a small but vibrant and welcoming congregation located in South Boston, VA. With an average attendance of 15 to 20 on Sundays, we are a tight-knit community of believers who come from diverse backgrounds and range in age from folks in their 20s to 70s.

We are open to both part-time and full-time Temporary Supply positions, depending on the qualifications and availability of the ideal candidate. Compensation will be negotiated based on experience and qualifications.

To read the full job description, click [here](#).



***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](mailto: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*.

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- 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.

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