

#### PRESBYTERY CALENDAR

Date: Time: Event:

12-05-23 10:00 a.m. Justice & Mercy Meeting

12-05-23 6:30 p.m. COA Meeting

#### ( OFFICE HOURS

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

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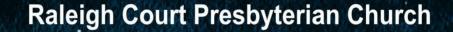
#### ADVENT SERMON SERIES: HEAVEN AND NATURE SING

How do we read the story of the Lord's Incarnation by looking into the relationship of God with the smaller creatures and the land around the story? Hannah Anderson's award-winning devotional looks at the lesser figures and elements of Christ's birth to connect our lives with God more deeply with the land and often overlooked elements of life around Us. In this narrative we learn about mountains and snakes, donkey and trees, swaddling clothes and labor pains God becomes human. In our humanity, even the smallest parts of life can be incorporated into divine revelation.

Join us one Sunday or for the whole series! Also, streaming will be available on the RCPC Facebook page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/rcpres">https://www.facebook.com/rcpres</a>

- December 3, Romans 8:18-24, Listening to the Land
- December 10, Isaiah 11:1-10 & Ruth1:22-2:9, Land and Life
- December 17, Isaiah 35:1-10 d Luke 1:26-38, Salvation Through Birth
- December 24, Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19 & Luke 2:1-7, 2:8-20

Limits of the Senses



## Let Heaven & Nature Sing!

A Christmas Concert Presented by the RCPC Sanctuary Choir & Friends with Guest Orchestra

Sunday, December 17
7:00 PM - Sanctuary
Doors Open at 6:30 PM
Free & Open to the Public

Raleigh Court Presbyterian Church 1837 Grandin Rd SW Roanoke, VA 24015

# Finding PRESBYTERY OF THE PEAKS 100 Community

#### What "If ...?"

...the Lord returned right now; would we recognize Them?

...Jesus is walking among us, and we do not know it?

What "If ?"

...Jesus is compassion? ...the Christ is justice and mercy?

...God is love?

**Then**, where have we found God in our community...?



## BELMONT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CHAIN BREAKERS

What if your church was located in economically depressed neighborhood of the city. surrounded by many people living with addiction concerns? What if some members of the congregation touched by addiction concerns through friends or family?

Faced with such a concern,
Rev. Todd Atkins and the
congregation of Belmont
Presbyterian Church of
Roanoke VA...

"...a ministry designed to enable people to break the chains which bind them through Jesus

Christ..."

...formed a support group,
Chain Breakers, led by
pastoral psychologist Steven
Harris. Gathering weekly and
coupled with a prayer
meeting, the participants of
Chain Breakers seek to
eliminate accidental
overdoses and deaths by
addressing the underlining
causes of addiction.



Aren't you glad that we can find encouragement, hope and possibilities all around us? We can find God in the Belmont Presbyterian Church "Chain Breakers" program...!



YET, not only here, but also where you are! Let us know, so we can share with others!

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## FIFTH AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

301 Patton Avenue NW Roanoke VA 24016



We invite you to share in a worship experience designed to care for the needs of those who might feel "blue" at Christmas...

## Thursday, December 21st e 6pm

Join us in the sanctuary or Zoom

Zoom ID: 843 0975 4157 Passcode: 252447

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