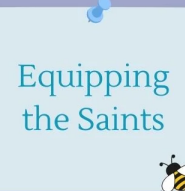


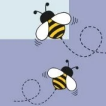
PEAKS' POSTINGS



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Equipping
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Weekly Calendar

2/18

10:00am

Commission on Examinations



OUR PURPOSE

Presbytery is the tie that binds our diverse contexts to share God's love by: supporting, connecting, guiding equipping and resourcing ministries.

Beloved Community • Equipping the Saints • Expanding the Kingdom

Register for the Presbytery Meeting by 4:00PM on 2/19



**Saturday,
February 21, 2026**

Register

Zoom Presbytery Meeting

Registration opens at 8:30am.

Meeting begins at 9:00am.

Adjournment estimated as 11:00 a.m.
dependent upon completion of business
before the body.

Register for Boundary by 4:00PM on 2/19



**February 21, 2026
1:00PM-4:00PM
on Zoom**

Register

2026 Online Boundary Training

An online session of Boundary Training for those who are required to have boundary training and were not able to attend one of the in-person sessions.

Moderator Training



Feb. 26, 2026
7:00-8:30PM
on Zoom

Register

Moderator Training

Whether you're a pastor new to moderating session meetings or a ruling elder stepping in as moderator, this training will give you the confidence and tools to lead well.

We'll cover the spiritual foundations of the moderator's role, Book of Order basics, Robert's Rules essentials, how to prepare for the meeting, how to manage difficult relational dynamics, and congregational meetings basics. Practical, accessible, and grounded in Presbyterian practice – join us for a refresher or be prepared in case you ever need to step in!

Presented by Dave Baker, Stated Clerk, Presbytery of the Peaks.

Two Cents a Meal Applications due April 1

More Information and Application

Session Records Review: Churches A-C

Session Records are now due for churches beginning with A-C
They can be mailed to Christiansburg PC, Attn. Shelda Wills,
107 W. Main St., Christiansburg, VA 24073 or sent electronically to:
sheldawills@gmail.com.

Open Mic Flyers

If you are planning to speak during open mic at the presbytery meeting and have a flyer you wish to share, please send those to

Making Your Yard Wildlife Friendly in Winter



As native habitat continues to be destroyed, we can help wild creatures by restoring habitat in our own yards – even on our patios and balconies. Here are some ways to help:

- Plant native plants that provide food for wildlife and their young. Links to native plants in our area are listed at the end of this article.
- Leave dead plant stems and flower stalks standing. Many native bees spend winter asleep in hollow stems, leaves, and underground burrows. These winter guests are often the first pollinators in your garden each year!
- Keep some leaf litter to shelter overwintering insects and nourish soil organisms.
- Native grasses stabilize soil and offer ground-level cover. Leave grass patches unmown.
- Dense tufts create insulated hideouts.
- Fallen branches and brush piles provide safe spaces for tiny creatures. Layered branches block wind, hold heat. Cavity-nesting bees use logs for protection.
- Birds need places to escape wind and conserve body heat. Evergreen Shrubs have year-round foliage that shields from snow and wind.

Leave shrubs unpruned.

- Birds need clean water, as well as food, during cold weather.
- Avoid disturbing bare soil. Undisturbed soil allows roots, microbes, and wildlife to thrive naturally. Dormant bee larvae stay safe when undisturbed.

Links to native plant guides for our region:

<https://www.plantvirginianatives.org/plantswvanatives/plant-...>

<https://www.plantvirginianatives.org/native-plants-for-south...>

Submitted by Sarah Martin, Earth Care Subcommittee

Save the Date: Bible in Black & White

Returns to Second Presbyterian on Wednesdays--April 8, 15, 22 & 29, 2026. [Click here for more information.](#)

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Two updates from the Presbyterian Older Adults Ministry Network:

The 2026 Resource Guide is now available.

[2026 Resource Guide](#)

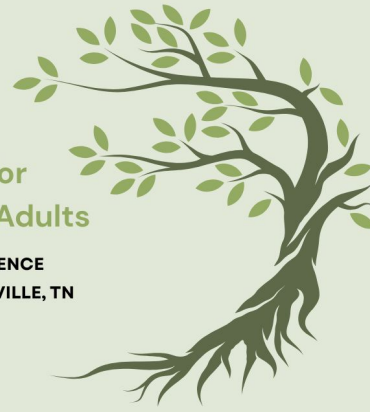
And the **2026 Older Adult Ministry Conference** will be held just down the interstate in Knoxville, Tennessee in September. It's a great year to plan to attend if you've wanted to check it out, so save the date.

Rooted in Hope

Equipping Leaders for
Ministry with Older Adults

OLDER ADULT MINISTRY CONFERENCE
SEPTEMBER 16-18, 2026 KNOXVILLE, TN

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Mid-Atlantic Men's Summit



The 2026 Theme: Strength for Today, Vision for tomorrow, Brothers working together in God's kingdom.

Matthew 5:16 Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in Heaven.

More information will be provided when it is available.

Montreat Women's Conference

Horizon Gazing: Hope in the Here and Now, August 14-16, 2026

Keynote Speaker: Kristin Du Mez, author of the New York Times bestseller Jesus and John Wayne, is a writer, speaker, and scholar who explores the intersection of religion, gender, and politics.

Join us in the quiet beauty of Montreat for “Horizon Gazing: Hope in the Here and Now.” Together, we’ll slow down, worship, find our footing, and look toward the horizon of faith with steadiness and authentic hope. As we gather, we’ll consider what it looks like to raise our gaze, find perspective, share our burdens and our hopes in the here and now. Designed for women at every stage of life, this retreat offers space to breathe, reflect, and be renewed—grounded in community and anchored in God’s faithful presence.

Information at the [conference webpage](#).



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