



# POSTINGS

## Weekly Calendar

Date	Time	Event
		No events scheduled



**New Board of Pensions  
Benefits Connect Website  
is live!**

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previously had an account with the old site.**

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# Peaks Grants at Work in Our Communities

*Spotlight:*



## ***Clarksville Presbyterian CPC Mini Grant***

In 2023 Clarksville Presbyterian became a Matthew 25 Congregation, focusing on alleviating poverty in our local community. Soon after, we were asked to participate in CarePortal, a partnership between local churches, Mecklenburg County Social Services, and Patrick Henry Family Services, with the goal of helping to meet the needs of families in crisis. We have responded to requests from Social Services for seven families with specific needs -- beds, baby equipment, blankets, bed linens, clothing, toys, etc. The mini-grant of \$500, in combination with donations from our generous congregation, have enabled us to provide these basic items and to develop a connection with the families. Members of the congregation have become fully engaged with this project, and we have recently organized a room to collect some of the items most frequently requested.

*Submitted by Linda Pulliam, Elder for Missions*

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## ***CPC 2023 Mini Grants***

Christiansburg Presbyterian	<p>In partnership with three other churches in town (Belmont Christian Church, Blue Ridge Church, and Three Strand Church) we provide a food pantry every Saturday morning for those less fortunate in the area. The pantry, called "For Your Table," distributes 18-30 boxes of non-perishable food items to families in need every week. Our \$500 was added to the food pantry fund.</p>
Forest Hills, Martinsville	<p>Spent the generous grant of \$500 from the Presbytery along with our funds to help a family whom our school had recommended as having a difficult time right now. We provided them with Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners and holiday presents, along with clothes for school, church, and work. The grant money allowed us to make their lives a little easier during a time that has been very hard for them.</p>
Holbrook	<p>Holbrook Street utilized the \$500 Mini Grant to pay for a cleaning service for our Fellowship Hall and a catered lunch for our Annual Congregational Meeting.</p>
Massie's Mill	<p>Massies Mill Church are in the process of gathering funds and commitments so that we can replace our old plastic sanctuary chairs with some new, more comfortable ones. And as you can imagine, an unanticipated check for \$500.00 will certainly help to accelerate our efforts.</p>
Second Presbyterian, Roanoke	<p>Plans to fund a joint lunch/dinner between Second and Loudon Ave Christian Church as we continue to build bridges through our Bible in Black and White study.</p>

**Want Us to**

*Spotlight:*

## **Your Congregation's Peaks Grant Story?**

We'd love to feature how your congregation is using a Peaks grant to strengthen and serve your congregation or community. You can submit your story to [communications@peakspresbytery.org](mailto:communications@peakspresbytery.org) or by clicking the button below.

**SUBMIT**



## **High Bridge Presbyterian Church invites you to the installation of the Reverend Steve Willis**

**A Service of the Presbytery of the  
Peaks**

**Sunday, March 3rd, 4:00 pm**

**Please stay and enjoy the reception,  
food and fellowship immediately  
following the service.**



**From *Presbyterians Today*:**

**Pastoral Isolation and  
Loneliness  
an Online Panel Discussion**

**Februry 29 at 1:00PM**

**“Presbyterians Today Managing Editor Layton Williams-Berkes will moderate a panel discussion of pastoral isolation and loneliness with writer Fred Tangeman and The Rev. Monica Thompson Smith, Rev. Jasiel Hernandez Garcia, and Rev. Maria Vargas-Torres at 1 p.m. ET on Feb. 29 on Facebook live.”**

**To go to the PT Facebook post for more  
information...**

**CLICK HERE**

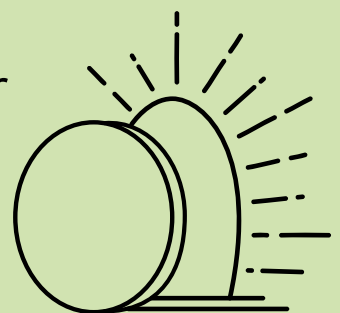
# A quartet of PC(USA) scholars and preachers offers up a how-to on preaching hope this Easter

LOUISVILLE — Presbyterian Publishing Corporation gathered four gifted scholars and preachers — all of them with books published by Westminster John Knox Press — for a Tuesday webinar called “Leading with Good News in Difficult Times: Preaching and Teaching at Easter.” PPC President and Publisher David Dobson hosted the 45-minute event, which featured these well-known and beloved scholars:

- The Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Caldwell, professor emerita at McCormick Theological Seminary and author of “Pause: Spending Lent with the Psalms”
- The Rev. Dr. Cynthia Campbell, president emerita at McCormick Theological Seminary who co-authored, with Christine Coy Fohr, “Meeting Jesus at the Table: A Lenten Study”
- Dr. Thomas Long, professor emeritus at the Candler School of Theology and author of “Proclaiming the Parables: Preaching and Teaching the Kingdom of God,” available beginning March 11
- Dr. Brian K. Blount, president emeritus at Union Presbyterian Seminary and author of “Invasion of the Dead: Preaching Resurrection.”

For more information and a link to the webinar

[\*\*CLICK HERE\*\*](#)





# **BIBLE STUDY** *Women in the Bible*

## **March 2024**

MONDAY, 3/11: "Reframing Eve"

**Genesis 2 - 3**

MONDAY, 3/18: "Hagar: Pushed to the Wilderness"

**Genesis 16; 21: 8 - 21**

MONDAY, 3/25: "Mary 'The Magdalene'"

**John 19: 11 - 18**

...through the lens of these *Scandalous* women,  
discovering present implications through past  
interpretations and fresh perspectives...

## *Two Opportunities Each Day*

**12 pm -  
1:15pm**

**\*OR\***

**6pm -  
7:15pm**

**ZOOM ID: 844 2443 7027 Passcode: 489354**

Justice & Mercy Ministry  
Forming Faith Bible Study



# TRIVIA NIGHT

TO SUPPORT UKIRK @  
VIRGINIA TECH

**17**  
**MARCH**

**5:30–7:30pm**

Blacksburg Presbyterian  
701 Church St. SE

Join us for a pot luck dinner and some Friendly (read: Fierce) competition as we support campus ministry. Appropriate for all ages, nursery care also provided.

Questions? [campusminister@pcusa-vt.org](mailto:campusminister@pcusa-vt.org)

## POSTINGS

### Reminder:

Items you are requesting to be included in Peaks' Postings should be sent to [communications@peakspresbytery.org](mailto:communications@peakspresbytery.org).



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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, [peakspresbytery.org](http://peakspresbytery.org).



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8:30AM-4:30PM

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