



POSTINGS

Weekly Calendar

Date	Time	Event
5-2	10:00AM	Justice & Mercy
5-4	9:00AM	Presbytery Meeting
5-6	12:00PM 6:00PM	Mental Health Bible Study

**Registration for the
May 4th Presbytery meeting
at St. Andrew, Lynchburg,
closes at 4PM on Thursday, May 2nd.**

[Register Here](#)



Author Hannah Anderson will share with us at the May 4th meeting

What would it mean to become churches that are indelibly shaped by the mountains, streams, and forests that surround us? How might the natural world inform, direct, and even equip us to answer God's call to be God's people in this place?



Stronger Together

Day Retreat for Women Ministers

(Ordained, Commissioned, and Retired)

Saturday, May 18, 9:30 am to 3 pm

Common Grounds Cafe, 4415 Boonsboro Rd,
Lynchburg, VA

Deepen relationships
and grow in wisdom
with Dr. Amy Merrell
Willis and your sisters in
ministry. Lunch
included.

\$10

[Register here](#) by May 13th



Attention Clerks of Session

Past or current sets of Session Minutes may be submitted for review at any time. Please note that 2023 Session Minutes are due for review during 2024. The Work Group reviews Session Minutes alphabetically by church name. The schedule for the review of 2023 Session Minutes in 2024 is as follows:

May 4 – Churches with names beginning with N-W

October 24 – Churches with names beginning with A-D

Contact Shelda (swills@usit.net) with questions.

Churches should NOT send Minutes to the Presbytery Office!

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH MAY 2024

STOP THE STIGMA.
LET'S TALK ABOUT
MENTAL HEALTH.

BIBLE STUDY
MONDAY,
MAY 6, 2024

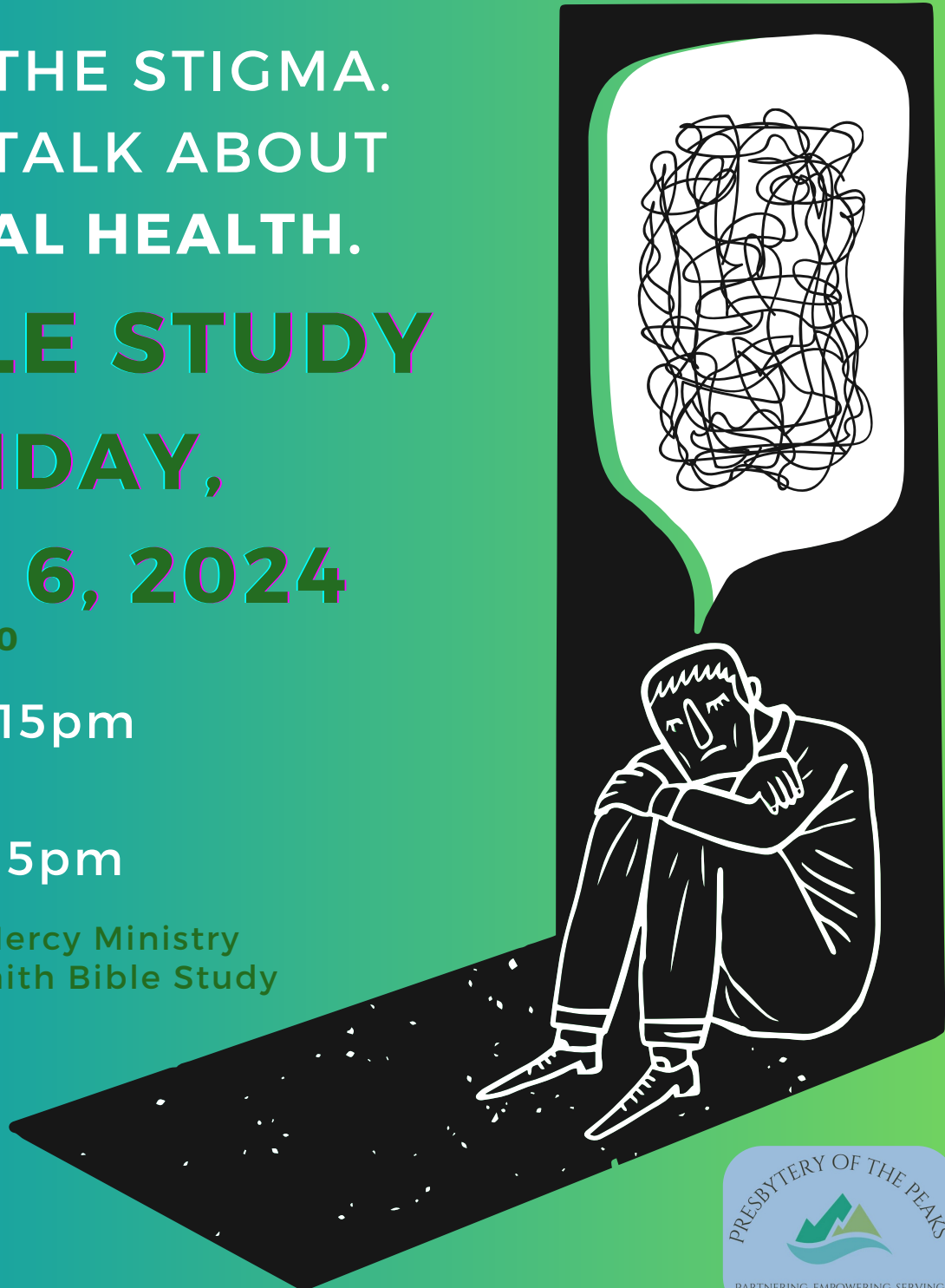
Mark 5: 1-20

12pm-1:15pm

or

6pm-7:15pm

Justice & Mercy Ministry
Forming Faith Bible Study



Zoom ID: 844 2443 7027 Passcode: 489354

Community-wide Dedication of Alexa House on May 12th



A unique and powerful dedication service will take place at 5:00 pm at Second Presbyterian Church on Mother's Day, May 12. Alexa House will be dedicated for its use in hosting families in the Family Promise program. Much of the funding for the \$700k plus renovation came in response to three tragedies. While the tragedies cannot be undone, many families will have a better future because of how the Roanoke community has responded.

The dedication service will honor:

- **Daniel (Dan) Yardley**, who was killed in an automobile accident on Thanksgiving 2017. He left behind a young wife and three children. An amazing husband and father, donations were made to renovate a house that will be used to provide a better life for children.
- **Alexa Cannon**, a student at Radford University, was killed in a violent attack on January 24, 2019. To honor her spirit and heart for others, contributions by her family, friends, and community were given. The house has also been renamed in Alexa's honor. The interior design of the house reflects Alexa's love of art and photography. Alexa's mother, Cathy Cannon, will speak at the dedication service.
- **Rita Magnus** was killed as a child during the Shoah, the mass murder of Jewish people under the Nazi Regime. Her two sisters, who survived the Holocaust, are providing the major funding for the construction of The Rita Magnus Memorial Playground behind Alexa House. One of the sisters, Helga Morrow, will speak at the dedication service.



[Click here for more information about Alexa House, Family Promise and the dedication.](#)



Covenant Presbyterian's Veggie Garden

From its humble beginnings in 2021, Covenant's Veggie Garden has a revised design of 8 new raised beds. Parts of the 4 old beds were repurposed in the new beds, built by several Covenant members. Other bed materials are treated lumber, Galvalume-a coated galvanized steel product lasting longer than traditional galvanized steel, and chicken wire. Also, while installing new playground equipment and mulch, the Earth Care Team and other volunteers helped remove the old playground mulch for use in the bottom of the new beds. The beds are 30 inches high, so no more bending over to plant, weed, and harvest. Each bed has a removable screen top to keep deer, birds and other creatures from dining on the veggies. We will continue to increase our use of organic fertilizer and insect control. New this year is a strawberry bed. A second bed is devoted to Covenant's Preschool children...they love to plant, tend and harvest. The garden harvest is donated to the Presbyterian Community Center.

Covenant received an Earth Care Mini-Grant for its Rain Barrel Project from The Earth Care Subcommittee of Presbytery. The project will promote environmental sustainability and food security and serve as a valuable educational tool for our preschoolers and church members and friends. Many thanks to The Presbytery for approving our mini-grant!



How it started



**How it's
growing**



Presbyterian Older Adults Ministries Network News



- Registration is open for the Presbyterian Older Adults Ministries Network's Annual Conference in Point Loma, CA.
- Older Adults Sunday is May 5th
- The new planning guide is now available

**[Go to poamn.org](http://poamn.org) for
[more information](#)**



May & June Grant Deadlines

Grant	Commission/ Group	Deadline
Justice & Mercy Grants	Justice & Mercy	May 15
Black Caucus Grants	Black Caucus	May 31
Church Redevelopment Grants	Church Partnership	February 1 April 1 June 1
Shared Ministry Grants	Church Partnership	August 1 October 1
Pastoral Leadership Grants	Commission on Ministry	
Earth Care Mini Grant	Justice & Mercy	

[Click here for more information and applications](#)

or look on the website under Resources>Grants

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and
Rev. Shannon Johnson Kershner.

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<https://massanettasprings.org/programs/bcmc>.*

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