



# POSTINGS

## Weekly Calendar

Date	Time	Event
6-9	4:00PM	Ordination of Christina Cosby
6-10	7:30PM	Peaks Reads Zoom



You are invited to  
the Ordination Service  
for  
Christina Cosby  
on  
Sunday, June 9, 2024  
at 4:00PM  
at First Presbyterian Church  
Lynchburg, VA



# Commission on Ministry Neighborhood Meetings

## **WHAT:**

*The Commission on Ministry will be hosting meetings to touch base with clergy and congregations and provide information about the Board of Pensions changes coming in 2025. Meals will be provided and RSVPs are required.*

## **WHO:**

*Clergy, clerks of session, whoever is responsible for Terms of Call and BoP benefits.*

## **WHEN AND WHERE:**

*July and August 2024 around the Presbytery.  
See registration form for specific dates and locations.*

[Register Here](#)



**Jen Brothers**

is

**OUT OF THE OFFICE:  
JULY 8-SEPTEMBER 8**

Like educators, Jen Brothers, Church Leadership Ministry Specialist, serves the presbytery on a 10 month contract. She will be out of the office beginning on July 8th. On September 9th, she will be back in the office to support our ministries and with new ideas to share.



## **Pastoral Wilderness Experience Survey**

I am a Master of Divinity student at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary and a candidate in the ordination process under the care of the Pittsburgh Presbytery. I am in the beginning stages of designing and facilitating a restorative wilderness experience for pastors as part of my Adaptive and Innovative Ministry Emphasis project, as I seek to integrate my professional background in Adventure Education with my calling to ministry. I am gathering data from pastors to gauge the viability of this experience and learn about pastors' needs for restoration. The survey includes some more information about the experience. I am hoping that pastors far outside the Pittsburgh Presbytery will consider applying for this experience.

Grace and peace--Emily Cowser

**[Survey](#)**

# Coaching for thriving in ministry and life.

Ministers spend most of their time thinking about and serving others. There is precious little time--or permission--in their schedules to consider the patterns of behavior and thinking that might be getting in the way of making progress on personal and collective goals. If you are interested in strengthening your capacity to manage conflict, hold to boundaries, or engage in experiments to increase your leadership bandwidth, coaching is for you. If you want to learn more about adaptive leadership theory and practice, coaching is for you. If you want to consider new questions, and reframe old challenges, coaching is for you. All sessions are confidential. You set the goals. You set the pace.

Reflection is expensive. It always costs time. Sometimes it costs money. The Presbytery of the Peaks currently offers FREE coaching for pastors and ministry staff. If you are interested in coaching support, contact Rev. Jen Brothers, Leadership Ministry Specialist.

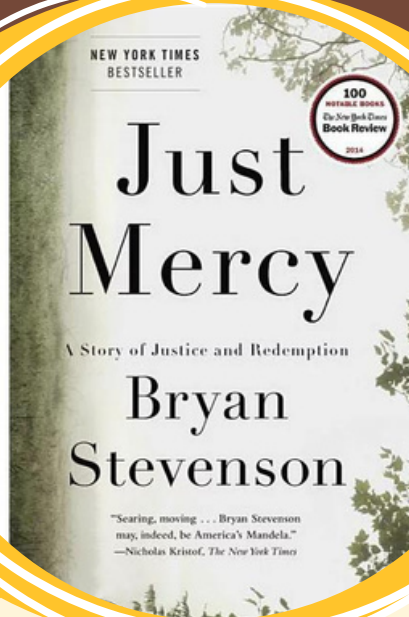
## Free for Peaks' Pastors and Ministry Staff

**For information or to get started:**

**Contact Jen**



**It's  
almost  
time...!**



**Peaks  
Reading  
Together**

## **PRESBYTERY OF THE PEAKS BOOK STUDY**

On the four Mondays during the month of June, join with other Peaks Presbytery members to discuss Bryan Stevenson's book, "Just Mercy," and be encouraged in seeking justice for all.

**MONDAY  
JUNE 3:**

**INTRODUCTION THROUGH CHAPTER 3**

**JUNE 10:**

**CHAPTERS 4 - 7**

**JUNE 17:**

**CHAPTERS 8 - 12**

**JUNE 24:**

**CHAPTERS 13 - 16**

**7:30PM TO 8:30PM**

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

**RACIAL EQUITY SUBCOMMITTEE  
JUSTICE AND MERCY COMMISSION**







### **Worship with Spiritual Steel!**

**Sunday, June 9 at 10:30 AM**

**Covenant Presbyterian – Roanoke**

*It's time for Caribbean shirts and flip flops as Spiritual Steel returns to Covenant's 10:30 AM worship service on Sunday, June 9th! There's no better way to introduce summer than with the bright, joyful sounds of steel drums! The birthplace of steel pans is Trinidad and Tobago, an island of beauty and people from all over the world. Church life there is vibrant and boldly joyful! The sound of worship features the steel pan proclaiming God's love, care, and promises. You don't want to miss this wonderful steel drum worship experience, directed by Richard Rudolph.*

**Covenant Presbyterian Church**

**1831 Deyerle Road SW, Roanoke**

[covenantroanoke.org](http://covenantroanoke.org)



# **Music in June at Covenant, Roanoke**



### **Covenant's Annual Summer Concert with 360 Band is back!**

**Friday, June 14th  
6 PM**

360 Band will once again be bringing their upbeat favorites to the church lawn of Covenant. We will be grilling hamburgers & hot dogs, with all proceeds supporting our Preschool!

Join us for an amazing summer evening of lawn games, great music, & yummy food. Bring your lawn chairs or a picnic blanket!

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# Radford Celebrates 150th Anniversary



The Presbyterian Church of Radford on April 14, 2024, celebrated their sesquicentennial (150th) anniversary. Everyone was welcomed by Rev. Morgan Whitfield Jr. We received a special accommodation from the Presbytery of the Peaks, given to us by Carl Utley, General Presbyter. Our guest speaker Rev. Dr. Lee Hinson-Hasty gave an inspiring message on “Fearlessness.”

He talked about the fearlessness of our forefathers and organizing a church in this wilderness. A historical room was set up for people to see our history. The children put together a timeline on the bulletin board in the hallway to show the growth of the Presbyterian Church of Radford and the growth of the city of Radford. Many former pastors and their wives joined us. We are grateful for our oldest member, Mim Smith, who is 102 and who has been a member since 1933. After the benediction given by Rev. David Dickerson. We gathered in the fellowship hall for a bountiful meal.



# Second Replaces Fluorescents with LEDs



Second Presbyterian Church Roanoke recently completed the replacement of 900 fluorescent tubes in the main church building with energy efficient light emitting diode (LED) tubes. Partnering with Appalachian Power Company's (APCo's) Business Energy Solutions (BES) program, the church received a 30% rebate on the total project cost. The payback period is 3.5 years. Also, the church is projected to use 20%-30% fewer kilowatt hours (kWh) annually--effectively reducing the church's greenhouse gas emissions that contribute to global warming.

Why do this? Because 2023 was the hottest year on record since global temperature monitoring of the land and the oceans began. 2024 is on pace to be even hotter than 2023. Paraphrasing Christian Climate Scientist Dr. Katharine Hayhoe, "The planet is running a fever...and every degree of warming matters."

Second Presbyterian Church – Roanoke, VA  
Finding direction by following Jesus.



**All are invited to this free concert  
at Windsor Hills UMC,  
co-sponsored by Ronn Lowe, (the Organist of  
Covenant Presbyterian, Roanoke).**

***“A World of Wonders” Organ Concert***

Save the date for this very special concert

featuring renowned organist

Dr. Jan Kraybill

Sunday, June 9th at 3:00 PM

Windsor Hills United Methodist Church

Roanoke

*Reception following*

Dr. Kraybill is a grammy-nominated concert organist, pianist, and harpsichordist as well as an educator, church musician, and consultant. She has a very active concert schedule, performing in the US and internationally. Find out more about her distinguished career at [jankraybill.com](http://jankraybill.com).

*This free concert is sponsored by  
Ronn Lowe and the Roanoke Chapter of the American Guild of Organists.*



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8:30AM-4:30PM

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