

# PØSTINGS

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# Weekly Calendar

Date	Time	Event
		No Events This Week



The office will close at noon on Wednesday, November 27th and reopen on Monday, December 2nd.



# Our Whole Lives Retreat For 9 & 10th Grade Peaks Youth February 21-23, 2025

Greetings,

In February of 2023, youth from Raleigh Court Presbyterian Church and Second Presbyterian Church, joined together for an overnight retreat to explore how our faith should and does inform the decisions we make throughout our lives, particularly the decisions made about our intimate relationships. The retreat was well-received by both youth participants and chaperones, with one youth commenting "It was lots of fun, really interesting, and not cringe at all!." The retreat is led by a trained facilitator in the Our Whole Lives curriculum. Following the success of the pilot retreat in 2023, our hope is that this retreat will become a presbytery-wide retreat for 9th and 10th graders offered every other year.

Our hope is that this time together will build healthy expressions of love for ourselves and others as imagebearers in the world.

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More information, a recording of the Youth Leaders Meeting, a letter from our Facilitator, Overview of Curriculum, Sample Parent/Youth Letter, Sample Participation Waiver and registration are available at the link below.

## More Information



POAMN invites you to our upcoming webinar,

### Supporting Older Adults in the "Third Thirty".

#### December 3, 2 p.m. ET

Learn about the challenges of aging, how older adults can best navigate them, and how the church can provide support. Chris Pomfret, a 10-year member of POAMN and its current treasurer, will lead the webinar.

Chris observed how his parents and many others were unprepared for events that come their way in their later lives. These include decisions about where to live as they age, the importance of downsizing, and having conversations with children or loved ones about our end-of-life wishes. He wanted to help people in this "Third Thirty" period age smartly, wisely, gracefully, sensibly, and spiritually.

During the webinar, Chris will introduce an ecumenical curriculum for church organizations and/or older adult leaders to use or adapt with their congregations.

The webinar is free; registration is required.



## **Free Children and Youth Bibles**



During Covid the PCUSA offered Bibles to congregations to connect with students.

One is a Children's Bible (6 available) and one is a teen Bible (9 available).

Both are hardbound NRSV.

They are free to anyone who can use them and available at Forest Presbyterian. Contact Joan via email: <u>office@forestchurch.org</u>

## **Regarding Ruling Elders**

by Layton Williams Berkes | Presbyterian News Service

Where do the years go? The monthly publication Regarding Ruling Elders is now 10 years old.
In 2014, Ministry Education and Support within the Office of the General Assembly established a recurring monthly column called Regarding Ruling Elders which sought to address the particular responsibilities, experiences, and needs of those called to serve the church as ruling elders. Now, Regarding Ruling Elders celebrates its 10th year, a notable achievement amidst an ever-revolving door of resources, initiatives, and projects developed to support churches in the intervening years...



## UKirk Campus Ministry at Virginia Tech Seeks Interim Campus Minister

#### **Position Description**

The UKirk campus minister at Virginia Tech (Cooper House) aspires to be faithful to God, to love others as Christ loves us, and to trust the leading of the Holy Spirit in our life together. The campus minister nurtures the faith development and discipleship of students, responds to human needs, and promotes peace and justice as Christ teaches us. The campus minister is congregationally connected to UKirk's partner churches and is responsible for the overall administration of Ukirk campus ministry programs. The campus minister offers pastoral care and seeks to bear witness to God's good news to students and to the broader university community.

#### Accountability and Supervision

The campus minister is a part-time (25 hours per week) employee hired by and directly accountable to the UKirk Board of Directors.

#### **More Information**

Peaks Postings is published each week on Tuesday. Please submit news, events, or prayer requests by noon on Mondays to Donna Garrison at <u>communications@peakspresbytery.org</u> for inclusion in the following issue.

Guidelines for 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 and items within and of interest to PoP and PoP churches.
  - Edit submitted articles/announcements.
  - Limit the number of weeks an article/announcement is featured, usually to not more than three weeks.
- If you have specific dates you want an item to run, include them when you submit the item. Limited to three weeks.
- Past issues of Peaks Postings are archived for about six months on our website, peakspresbytery.org.

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