

KEEPING IN TOUCH

Presbyterían Women of The Peaks

December 2024 Edition



Unto us a child is born!

Giving Tuesday, December 3, 2024

All of us are familiar with Giving Tuesday at the end of each year. YET--

DO YOU KNOW how important it is to support our national PW, Inc., through your mission pledge (aka the Annual Mission Fund) each year?

DO YOU KNOW that your support makes it possible for PW to continue ministering to children, youth, older adults, new immigrants, and all populations across the U. S. and around the world?

DO YOU KNOW that PW nationally (churchwide) impacts the lives of women, children, and marginalized people throughout the world, transforming lives by giving more than \$60 million through grant programs?

DO YOU KNOW that just as your church PW depends on pledges to make up its budget, so does our national PW, Inc.?

YOU MAY GIVE INDIVIDUALLY, THROUGH YOUR CONGREGATION, OR THROUGH YOUR PRESBYTERY. YOU MAY DONATE ONLINE AT THE PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN WEBSITE OR MAIL YOUR DONATION MADE PAYABLE TO PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN TO: Presbyterian Women, Inc., P. O. Box 643652, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3652. Please indicate the donation is for the "mission pledge." For Giving Tuesday purposes, donations may be made anytime in December. Thank you for stepping up!

The Peaks PWCT Honors Retired Team Member

At its Annual Meeting in September, the PW Coordinating Team (CT) honored Sandra Gisiner, Past Moderator and longtime (over 30 years) member of the CT who recently retired, with a special resolution and cash gift. Responding to the CT and PW membership, Sandra wrote in part: "There aren't enough words to express how I feel about (WOC to PW). I've been around a long time and I have loved every minute of all the times

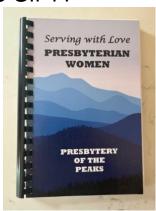
and places and women I have worked with . . . I thank you all for thinking of me and I shall remember my times with all of you . . . I thank all of you for being good examples of the faith we all try to obtain and give to the Lord . . ."

The Peaks PWCT Welcomes New Team Member

Please join the Coordinating Team as we welcome first-time member, Natasha Lowe, from Blacksburg PC. Natasha will serve as Peaks PW Moderator of the Search Committee. **Have you considered serving?**

Presbytery of the Peaks PW Cookbooks LOOKING FOR THE PERFECT CHRISTMAS GIFT?

The Presbyterian Women Cookbooks have arrived. Order yours today for \$25 each. Copies may be reserved by emailing Theresa Underwood at tundwood@aol.com. Pick-up points will be set up around the Presbytery.



Due Dates for the Fall Packet of Information

Attention: Moderators and Contact Persons

The 2025 Financial Support Form is due December 13, 2024.

The 2025 Local PW Leaders Form is due January 31, 2025.

Pass the Remittance Voucher Form on to your Treasurer.

Pass the PW Group/Circle Report Form for 2024 on to your Historian or the proper person to fill it out and return it. It is due January 31, 2025. It is important to include the women in your church who have passed away in 2024. The names of those women will be recognized at the Spring Gathering, as well as printed in the program booklet of the PW Annual Gathering in the fall.

2025 PW Calendar of Events

Spring Gathering April 26, TBA Synod Summer Gathering June 12-15, Massanetta Springs, Harrisonburg Annual Gathering September 20, Northminster PC, Roanoke



MASSANETTA SPRINGS CAMP AND CONFERENCE CENTER HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA

A place for all people to experience God through renewal, discovery, and hospitality

Catch a first glimpse of the 2025-2026 Horizons Bible study Finding Resilience, Joy, and Our Identity in Jesus Christ.

BE READY! BE INFORMED!

Hear it from the author herself—Rhashell Hunter. She will speak at two plenaries and teach two workshops.

Gain knowledge from Keynote Speaker, Bronwen Boswell, Immediate Past Acting PC(USA) Stated Clerk.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND PLAN TO BE THERE!

Worship, education, camaraderie, and the natural beauty of Massanetta Springs await you.

Registration information will be available by the end of January, 2025.

REGISTRATION FEES

Full-Time (3 nights and 8 meals)

RESILIENCE

IDENTITY

Double Occupancy Early Bird -- \$430.00 Regular Fee -- \$475.00 Single Occupancy Early Bird -- \$455.00 Regular Fee -- \$500.00

Part-Time (2 consecutive nights and 6 meals)

Double Occupancy -- \$350.00 Single Occupancy -- \$380.00

Part-Time (1 night and 3 meals)

Double Occupancy -- \$295.00 Single Occupancy -- \$320.00

Commuter

Full Event (no meals) -- \$230.00 Single Day (no meals) -- \$150.00

Virtual Option

4 plenaries (Thursday evening, Friday morning, Friday evening, Saturday morning) -- \$100.00