



POSTINGS

Weekly Calendar

Date	Time	Event
1-23	10:00AM	Cabinet Meeting

**Our Next
Presbytery Meeting
Thursday, February 20th
at
Blacksburg Presbyterian Church**



Full Day with Lunch



PARTNERING. EMPOWERING. SERVING
TOGETHER



You Are Invited
INSTALLATION SERVICE
Elder E. Ray Williams

HEBREWS 10: 15

And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

353 Holbrook St **JAN 26@3:00pm** Danville VA 24541



Holbrook Street
Presbyterian Church





New Year...New Book Recommendations!

In 2024 a group of pastors from the Peaks and Shenandoah presbyteries embarked on a monthly gathering around different books. Thanks to a grant from the COM the group read six books and discussed them over a meal. As we move into the new year the group would highly recommend these titles to others in Peaks Presbytery.

Here is the list of recommended titles in no particular order.

- Wounded Pastors*** by Carol Howard & James Fenimore
Agrarian Spirit: Cultivating Faith, Community, and the Land
by Norman Wirzba
The End of Theological Education by Ted A. Smith
Trevor Noah: Born a Sin by Trevor Noah
Southernmost by Silas House
The Kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory by Tim Alberta

For more information about these books feel free to contact one of the members of the group: Steve Willis, Mark Rackley, Morgan Whitfield, Kim Steinhorst or Anghaarad Teague Dees.

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Bills & Overtures Listening Session January 22 12:00pm -1:00pm on Zoom

The presbytery is providing an opportunity for discussion of the proposed amendments to the Book of Order coming before the body at the February Presbytery Meeting.

Out of respect for everyone's time and to facilitate discussion, please familiarize yourself with the amendments ahead of time if you will attend the session.

[Amendments](#)

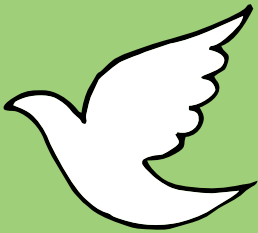
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Recommendations](#)



**Clerk of Session Training
Saturday, January 25th
10:00 - 11:00 am
on Zoom.**

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**Necrology Reports due into
office by Feb. 7**



**Statistical Reports need to
be completed by Feb. 14**

February Grant Deadlines



Grant	Commission/ Group	Deadline
Shared Ministry	Church Partnership	February 1
Pastoral Leadership	Commission on Ministry	April 1 June 1 August 1 October 1
Community Block	Justice & Mercy	February 1
Black Caucus	Black Caucus	Feb 28 May 31 Aug 31 Oct 31

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

or look on the website under Resources>Grants



Monday, March 3, 2025 at 7:30 PM Eastern

CEDEPCA's Chocolate Tasting Celebration is back! This delicious online event that built community and delight during the pandemic is returning on the eve of the Lenten season with a cultural twist.

Join us to TASTE delicious Guatemalan Chocolate with the guidance of chocolate expert Nico Silverman; SEE the colorful Lenten processions of Antigua with renowned Antigua historian and tour guide Elizabeth Bell; and best of all, SUPPORT an organization that is changing lives throughout Central America with theological "education that transforms."

Reserve your spot now with Zoom registration and payment of \$60 (includes three bars of artisanal chocolate shipped to your home + a \$30 tax deductible donation to CEDEPCA). Space is limited to 100 Zoom participants – but consider hosting a living room party and sharing your chocolate with others! Registration deadline is February 10.

Can't make the live event? Register through Zoom and receive the recording on March 4. See you then!



[Register](#)

Finding God in our Community



Look at what
"2 Cents"
can do!



FACES Food Pantry

Endorsed by College Presbyterian Church, in Hampden-Sydney, VA, in several ways **FACES Food Pantry** aims to reduce food insecurity within Prince Edward, Charlotte, and portions of Cumberland Counties.

Operating out of a newly constructed warehouse, FACES

provided 135,000 meals last year to those experiencing homelessness, to qualified students on the weekends, and to families in crisis in partnership with Madeline's House. In addition to these programs, to assist persons with food preparation, FACES offers cooking classes a few times a year!

"neighbor helping neighbor"



Aren't you glad that we can find encouragement, hope and possibilities all around us? We can find God in the **FACES Food Pantry** of Farmville, VA.



YET, not only here, but also where you are!
Remember: Give a little to Help a lot...!

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According to Director Paul Baker, FACES began in 1981 with four local churches joining together to assist in the fight against food insecurity but has since grown into a two-location operation. Of course, this growth is bittersweet as it highlights the need for continued vigilance against hunger.



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 image-bearers 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**](#)



July 14-21
2025

Caring for
God's creation
and
God's people

A Guatemala Mission Week with CEDEPCA*

* Protestant Center for Pastoral Studies in Central America

Engage

- *Deliver water filters in rural areas
- *Plant trees in a reforestation project
- *Explore Atitlan's Nature Reserve

Discover

- *Learn of our connections to Creation
- *Draw closer to CEDEPCA and their ministry.

Renew

Experience God's presence and be inspired by the people of Guatemala

Further Details (including cost) Coming Soon!

Interested...?

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CEDEPCA Subcommittee & Justice and Mercy Commission

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 - 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.
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