

The next Thursday Mail deadline is
Monday, June 16 with distribution on
Thursday, June 19.

THURSDAY MAIL

June 5, 2025



MISSIONAL, PASTORAL, PROPHETIC

NCP CALENDAR

June 16	Thursday Mail Deadline
June 19	Thursday Mail Distribution
Aug 4	Thursday Mail Deadline
Aug 7	Thursday Mail Distribution
Aug 23	Church Communications & Marketing Seminar
begins in Sept	Antiracism as a Way of Being (Clergy & Laity Cohorts)
Sept 23	Presbytery Meeting
Sept 24	Deadline for GA Commissioner Nominations

More detailed information about each event, flyers and registration may be found on the [Events page of the website](#)

National Capital Presbytery

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THE 227TH GA NOMINATION PROCESS

Consider serving as a GA Commissioner at the next PCUSA General Assembly – June 23 to July 2, 2026 in Milwaukee, WI. Seeking teaching elders, ruling elders and a young adult advisory delegate. Nomination information may be found on the [NCP website](#).



CHURCH COMMUNICATIONS AND MARKETING IN 2025 AND BEYOND

Saturday, August 23, 2025 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM at Lewinsville Presbyterian Church



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June 4, 2025



Summary of the 322nd Stated Meeting of National Capital Presbytery

National Capital Presbytery held a Stated Meeting at National Presbyterian Church on May 20. Prior to the meeting, members of the Presbytery community gathered in the Parlor to hear from the Rev. Diane Anderson and the Rev. Ellen Sherby of the PCUSA Interim Unified Agency regarding changes in the way the PCUSA is engaging in global mission.

The Moderator, **Elder Lou Durden**, convened the meeting with prayer at 5:00 p.m. During the meeting the presbytery:

- Worshiped God and celebrated the Lord's Supper, led by the Rev. John Molina-Moore, preaching, and the Rev. Billy Kluttz, who provided musical accompaniment.
- Recognized transitions in our community:
 - The **Rev. Brian McCollum** has been serving as Stated Supply Pastor at Sargent Memorial Presbyterian Church.
 - The **Rev. Susan Wilder** (member at large) will be retired, effective July 3.
- Elected **Elder Jesy Littlejohn** (Oaklands Presbyterian Church) Moderator, and the **Rev. Rachel Vaagenes**, Pastor of Capitol Hill Presbyterian Church, Vice Moderator for 2025-2026. They will be installed to office at the September Stated Meeting.
- Approved an exception under Book of Order G-2.0504c, allowing the Rev. Lisa Larsen, currently serving as Associate Pastor (Stated Supply) at National Presbyterian Church, to become a called and installed Associate Pastor.
- Reviewed a proposed amendment to the Presbytery's Standing Rules that would expressly permit the use of a consent motion when the Presbytery considers amendments to the Book of Order proposed by the General Assembly. This Standing Rules amendment will be presented for final approval at the September Stated Meeting.

The next stated meeting will be held at National Presbyterian Church on Tuesday, September 23.

Annual Pattern of Meetings

National Capital Presbytery's practice is to hold five stated meetings per year. Here is the general pattern of these meetings:

- **January** – Zoom meeting. Odd years: action on proposed Book of Order amendments. Even years: consideration of overtures to the General Assembly.
- **March** – Zoom meeting. Odd years: action on proposed Book of Order amendments. Even years: consideration of overtures that do not have constitutional implications.

- **May** – in person at National Presbyterian Church. Worship with Communion, with the General Presbyter preaching. Election of Moderator and Vice Moderator. Election of many committee chairs and committee members, with terms beginning in September (usually in the omnibus motion).
- **September** – in person at National Presbyterian Church. Worship with Communion, with the outgoing Moderator preaching. Installation of new Moderator and Vice Moderator.
- **November** – Zoom meeting. Action on proposed budget for following calendar year. Elder and minister necrology. Odd years: election of General Assembly commissioners.

At every meeting we recognize transitions in our community and act on the recommendations of our committees as they arise. Presbytery-elected bodies with delegated authority (ACCP, CDC, COM, CPM, Leadership Council, and any other administrative commissions) report any actions they have taken on behalf of the presbytery (please see the Reports document for each meeting), and the presbytery may amend or rescind these actions at the time they are reported. New business—that is, proposals requiring action by the presbytery—may be introduced by any voting member, but by rule such proposals are referred to the Leadership Council for presentation at the next stated meeting, unless the presbytery votes by a three-fourths majority to consider them immediately.

Grace and Peace,

Rev. David A. Baer, Stated Clerk

New Call for Global Mission Partnership Grants Proposals – Deadline July 15!

The Global Mission network, along with the Equipping Congregations Committee of the Presbytery has added a third yearly call for Global Mission partnership grants. **The next opportunity for grant applications is July 15!**

The Global Mission Network (GMN) is soliciting applications for the National Capitol Presbytery (NCP) **Global Partnership Grants** program from congregations for new cooperative initiatives between congregations and their global mission partners. Applications will now be accepted three times a year – **March 30, July 15 and September 30.**

Five grants were awarded from the March 2025 call:

- Arlington – \$5000 - Purchase and delivery of materials to allow local residents to construct freshwater wells in two places in Cameroon.
- Georgetown - \$5000 - The 'STEAM for Teachers' (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) project will equip teachers for introducing STEAM in their classrooms in Niger and will include the necessary materials and training through Remember Niger.
- John Calvin - \$5000 - Support sustainability and education objectives of Kisima Child Care Academy (KCCA)
- Saint Mark - \$5000 - The project will help with the purchase of materials to lay the foundation and make significant progress toward the walls and roof for a three-classroom block for Institut Gufwa-Gubila High School in the Congo.
- Trinity Arlington - \$2,810 - VBS program, serving 600 Dalit children (India)

The program supports interactive, hands-on global mission projects with impact on the community. Preference will be given to new initiatives; applications may be submitted for continued funding in years two and three of a given project. Some preliminary work should be done to assess feasibility before applying, so that the project has a reasonable chance of success and some way to measure when success has been attained. Priority will be given to projects where there is an established relationship and a high level of confidence in the in-country team and where there is a plan for project sustainability. Projects with Presbyterian ecumenical partners are encouraged, but this is not a requirement.

This is a matching grant program; the contribution of your congregation toward the project in both money and labor will be considered. A congregation may submit only one application each year. Travel costs will not be considered, nor will reimbursement grants. **The total for grants has also been updated.** Now grant proposals requesting up to **\$4,000** will be considered, for **\$4,000** in matching funds. Note, the program is restricted to **one grant per congregation per year.**

A written report and presentation will be required in the year following the award outlining how the funds were spent, the progress of the project to date including impact on the community and plans for the future. Partnerships with grant awards will be required to provide information to be included in the NCP Global Mission Partnerships Directory, available for download on the **NCP GMN webpage** at <https://thepresbytery.org/the-work-of-the-presbytery/committees/mission-coordination/global-mission-network>

Proposals are due to NCP by email by **July 15** to Judith Dahmann (jdahmann@mitre.org) using the NCP standard application (download from www.theprebsytery.org) and addressing specific questions for global grants (part 2).

For more information contact Judith Dahmann (jdahmann@mitre.org) or 703-298-6694.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Graham Bardsley, retired
Mick Burns, retired
Scott Carlson
Laura Cunningham
Molly Douthett
Bruce Hartwig, retired
LeAnn Hodges
Su Pong Hwang, retired
Billy Kluttz
Jim McDonald, retired
Don Meeks
Dwight Peace
Scott Ramsey
Christine Reimers
James Sledge
Lyman Smith, retired
Alice Tewell
Minh Towner
Angela Tyler-Williams
Scott Winnette



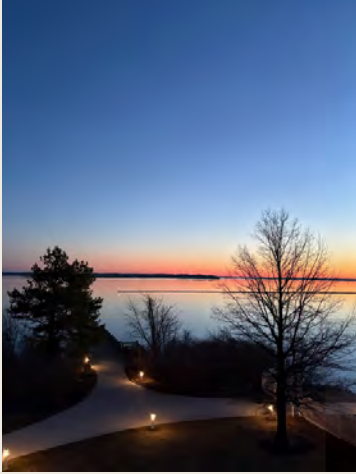
Nat Amarquaye, CRE
Eric Beckman
John Boyles, retired
Nancy Clark, retired
Rob Erickson, retired
Laura Fitzgibbon
Mark Gaskill
Norm Gordon
Susan Graceson
Juan Guthrie
Garrett Hoffman
Carolyn Johnson, retired
Connie Jordan-Haas
Eugene Kendall, retired
Gyeong Mok Kim
Sung Lee
Derek Longbrake
Chris Looker
Tara Spuhler McCabe
Riley McDonald, retired
John Molina-Moore
Truman Nabors
Katherine Nichols, CRE
Walter Owensby, retired
John Peterson, retired
Bill Phillippe, retired
Suzanne Rudiselle, retired
Knox Swayze
Charles Van Gorder
Robbie Wellington
Susan Wilder



Samuel Atiemo, retired
Matt Baker
Donald Benjamin, retired
Jean Brown
J.C. Cadwallader
Tempest Davis
William Davnie
Jen Dunfee
David Gray
Christian Halverson, retired
Ruth Hamilton, retired
Robert Harris, retired
Maggie Hayward
Diane Hendricks
Ann Herlin
Patrick Hunnicutt
Elenora Giddings Ivory, retired
Sun Mook Jhee
Chul Kim
Shannon Kiser
William Kosanovich, Jr.
Matt Nabinger
Gail Nelson, retired
Deborah Dodson Parsons
Jacob Rodawla
Mary Rodgers
Steven Swanson, retired
Beverly Swayze
Donna Weddle, retired
Juli Wilson-Black
John Yoo
Yeo Cheon Yun, retired



2026 CONTINUING EDUCATION GATHERING & RETREAT



We are pleased to announce that our 2026 Continuing Education Gathering & Retreat will be back at the Hyatt Regency Chesapeake Bay in Cambridge Maryland on March 2-4, 2026. We will offer early bird pricing with the fee increasing on December 1! Programming and speaker will be determined at a later date. Register through [NCP Events](#)!



ORDINATION SERVICE



National Capital Presbytery invites you to a worship service celebrating the ordination of **Rebekah (Givens) Greniven** as a Minister Member of Word and Sacrament in the Presbyterian Church (USA) on Saturday, June 21, 2025 at 1:30 PM at Bush Hill Presbyterian Church.

EARTH CARE NETWORK

Peace and justice are God's plan for all creation. The Earth and all creation belong to God. God calls us to be careful, humble stewards of this Earth, and to protect and restore it for its own sake, and for the future use and enjoyment of the human family. The NCP Earth Care network comprises Presbytery congregations that have successfully applied to be Earth Care Congregations under the PC(USA) program. The Network gathers representatives from NCP Earth Care Congregations for support, to exchange ideas, to recruit and help new members, and to work together on larger issues affecting the Presbytery. The NCP Earth Care Network administers the Power to Change Grant Program through the Mission Coordination Committee (MCC) whereby congregations can get up to \$1000 in matching funds for energy saving projects. NCP Earth Care Network members are eager to help any congregation interested in becoming certified or applying for a grant. Contact: Elder David Kepley, Kepley.david@gmail.com Attached to the Thursday Mail are two new projects, the first of several in the works, that the ECN hopes will be useful to Presbytery congregations. Visit the [Earth Care Network page](#) of NCP's website for more information.



INTRODUCING CHURCH ASSISTANT: A THOUGHTFUL TOOL FOR FAITHFUL MINISTRY

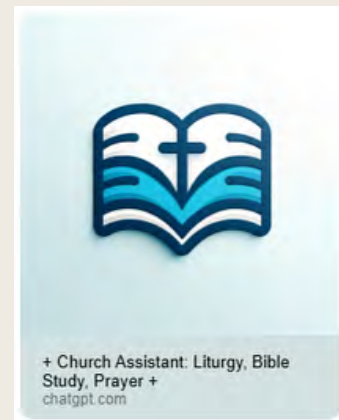
Created by a Presbyterian minister and Protestant chaplain in conjunction with Open-AI, Church Assistant is an AI-powered support tool designed to strengthen the everyday work of churches, pastors, secretaries, and congregants. Rooted in the rhythms of worship, prayer, and service, this digital assistant is not a replacement for human ministry—but a resource to aid it.

Whether you're preparing a sermon, planning worship, writing liturgy, leading Bible study, crafting prayers, or coordinating church administration, Church Assistant offers thoughtful, theologically grounded support with just a few clicks. It's a tool shaped by faith, designed for ministry in the real world.

Curious or cautious? That's okay. This is about using technology faithfully—to free us for deeper connection, not distraction. To serve Christ more fully, not less.

Try it. Test it. Ask hard questions. See how it might serve you in your calling.

If you or your congregation are interested in scheduling a tutorial feel free to contact Crawford Brubaker at brubaker.crawford@gmail.com



MASSANETTA SPRINGS



Called Together, July 28-31: Clergy couples are invited to be part of this ecumenical retreat. This ecumenical retreat welcomes clergy couples serving in a variety of ministries for renewal, learning, and growth. If your family includes kids, there's programming for them too! Learn more and register at <https://massanettasprings.org/programs/calledtogether>



Bible & Church Music Conference, July 20-26: Family camp meets continuing education at this conference for all ages of worship leaders. Whether you are ordained or a layperson, staff or volunteer or congregant, there are plenty of opportunities to learn, practice, and worship together. Scholarships are available, and first timers only pay for lodging and meals! More details here: <https://massanettasprings.org/programs/bcmc>

CAMP HANOVER

INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY @ **CAMP HANOVER**



Interested in camp ministry?

Apply now to become a Camp Hanover MVP! MVP stands for **mission, vocation, and practice**. MVPs are paid interns who live and work at Camp Hanover for nine to twelve months while developing skills to help in their futures. Applications are being accepted now for the 2025-2026 year which begins in August. Learn more at www.camphanover.org/about/mvp/.



CHURCH COMMUNICATIONS & MARKETING *in 2025 & beyond*

Saturday, August 23, 2025

9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

with lunch (\$10 suggested donation)

Lewinsville Presbyterian Church

1724 Chain Bridge Road, McLean, VA 22101

» **REGISTER HERE** «

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Questions? Contact Dina Bickel - dbickel@thepresbytery.org



THE DISMANTLING RACISM TEAM OF NCP INVITE YOU TO

Antiracism as a Way of Being

LED BY **NEXT CHURCH** COACHES



Rev. Christopher J.
Holland II



Chip Low

CLERGY COHORT 6-SESSION ONLINE TRAINING

SCHEDULE

10:00 am to 11:30 am

Tuesday, Sept 9

Thursday, Sept 25

Thursday, Oct 9

Thursday, Oct 23

Thursday, Nov 6

Thursday, Nov 20

**Register [HERE](#)
Space is limited**

**This is for NCP Clergy to
take their antiracism
learning and go deeper.**

**Completing SNS Allyship
Training or equivalent is
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**NEXT Church describes
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This is for lay people from NCP congregations to take their antiracism learning and go deeper.

Completing SNS Allyship Training or equivalent is a prerequisite.

LAITY COHORT 6-SESSION ONLINE TRAINING

SCHEDULE

7:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Monday, Sept 8

Wednesday, Sept 24

Monday, Oct 6

Monday, Oct 20

Monday, Nov 3

Monday, Nov 17

Register [HERE](#)
Space is limited

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NCP NOMINATIONS FOR 227TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

(June 23rd to July 2nd, 2026; Milwaukee, WI)

Dear Members of National Capital Presbytery:

Please read the following for information about the 227th General Assembly (GA) and the NCP nomination process. We hope you will prayerfully consider applying and/or seeking those equipped to serve in this essential function in the larger church.

Our presbytery will be represented by the following distribution of delegates:

- 4 Teaching Elders (including NCP Moderator)
- 4 Ruling Elders (including NCP Vice-Moderator)
- 1 Young Adult Advisory Delegate (YAAD)
- 2 Alternates (1 Ruling Elder, 1 Teaching Elder).

Transportation to the General Assembly, and room and board are reimbursed for commissioners and YAADS in accordance with General Assembly policy.

Nomination Process

- **Ruling elders** - Click **HERE** for RE form
 - Nominees must be endorsed by their church's Session and will have preferably: a) been a member of their congregation for at least three years; and b) attended at least two presbytery meetings in a two-year period
 - Nominees must submit their forms to their church's Clerk or Moderator of Session. After the Session has endorsed the nomination, the Clerk or Moderator shall complete and submit the form electronically to nominating@thepresbytery.org **no later than September 24, 2025.**
 - Ruling elders must also provide at least one (and up to three) reference letters, which shall be sent by the person making the recommendation to nominating@thepresbytery.org by **September 24, 2025.**
- **Teaching elders** - Click **HERE** for TE form
 - Potential delegates may self-nominate by completing the form and submitting it in electronic format only to nominating@thepresbytery.org **no later than September 24, 2025.**
 - Nominees must have a minimum of three years of membership in the presbytery, a record of regular attendance (~~at least half~~) of presbytery meetings, and demonstrated service to the presbytery.
 - Letters of reference are welcome but not required.

- Young Adult Advisory Delegates - Click [HERE](#) for YAAD form
 - Nominees must be endorsed by their church's Session and submit their forms to their church's Clerk or Moderator of Session. After the Session has endorsed the nomination, the Clerk or Moderator shall complete and submit the form electronically to nominating@thepresbytery.org **no later than September 24, 2025.**
 - YAADs must also provide at least one (and up to three) reference letters, which shall be sent by the person making the recommendation to nominating@thepresbytery.org **by September 24, 2025.**
- All candidates must provide a picture in electronic format

Timeline Review:

- September 24, 2025: All forms and recommendations due to the NCP Nominating Committee
- October 1, 2025: NCP Nominating Committee approves slate of nominees to be posted on the NCP website by October 10, 2025
- November 4, 2025: Forms due for those seeking to be nominated from the floor of Presbytery during the November 18, 2025 meeting
- November 18, 2025: Delegates approved at Presbytery Meeting

Please see the presbytery web site for additional criteria that the NCP Nominating committee will consider to select nominees that are best positioned to serve and honor the diversity and abundance of gifts in our presbytery. Please hold this committee and our nominees in prayer, and thank you for your faithful consideration.

If you have questions, please contact us at nominating@thepresbytery.org

Presbyterians with Pride: Join Us at World Pride 2025!

Hello National Capital Presbytery churches!

The Presbyterian World Pride Planning Committee wants to invite you to our World Pride events!

World Pride 2025 is heading to Washington, DC—and Presbyterians with Pride are ready to celebrate, worship, and witness in bold, beautiful community.

Our theme this year is “Stitched Together in Faith and Freedom” a celebration of the rich, diverse fabric that makes up our beloved community. Whether you’re coming with rainbow flags or clergy collars, sequins or stoles, there’s a space for you!

Get Involved Before the Big Weekend:

Donate Hospitality Supplies – Keep our rest stop warm and welcoming (by June 1st). Here’s the wishlist: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/AZESXPVOUUS/ref=hz_ls_biz_ex

Volunteer with our Hospitality Team - <https://nyapc.breezechms.com/form/e35e3831>

Volunteer for Pride activities at 15th Street Pres - <https://forms.office.com/r/5DcywHAWx1>

Register to March with us in the Parade! -

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSezs9j9nmZIYloGBOkNohPZ_Ofyv2CxO47_6-qXm3AQmG58sw/viewform?usp=preview

Pride Week Events:

Throughout May/June | Washington Gay Men’s Chorus Concert

May 31, 12 PM | Interfaith Prayer Breakfast Brunch


June 3, 6:30 PM | WorldPride Interfaith Service

June 6, 5PM | Pride Prep Party – Decorate the parade truck!

June 7, 12 PM | Pre-Parade Block Party at 15th Street Presbyterian Church

June 7, 1 PM | March in the Parade!

June 7, 12:30–6:30 PM | Hospitality Rest Stop at New York Ave Presbyterian Church

 Whether you're joining us to serve, celebrate, or just soak in the joy—come as you are. Let's make this a Pride to remember.

RSVP, Volunteer, & Learn More at:

linktr.ee/presbyterianswithpride

We can't wait to be Stitched Together in Faith and Freedom with you. 

With Pride,
The Presbyterian World Pride Committee



PRESBYTERIANS WITH PRIDE

2025 DC WORLD PRIDE

GET INVOLVED

[Donate Hospitality Supplies](#) | Now - June 1

[Volunteer for Pride Hospitality at New York Ave Pres](#)

[Volunteer for Pride Activities at 15th Street Pres](#)

[Register to March with Us in the Pride Parade](#)

PRESBYTERIAN EVENTS

June 6 at 5 pm | [Prep Party: Help Decorate the Parade Truck at 15th Street Pres](#)

June 7 at 11 am | [Pre-Parade Block Party & Hospitality at 15th Street Pres](#)

June 7 at 1 pm | [March in the Parade starting at 15th Street Pres](#)

June 7 at 12:30 - 6:30 pm | [Parade Hospitality at New York Ave Pres](#)

WORLD PRIDE EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Throughout May/June | [Washington Gay Men's Chorus Concert](#)

May 31 at 12 pm | [Interfaith Prayer Brunch](#)

June 3 at 6:30 pm | [2025 WorldPride Interfaith Service](#)

LEARN MORE: [LINKTR.EE/PRESBYTERIANSWITHPRIDE](https://linktr.ee/presbyterianswithpride)



June 6 & 7

15th Street Pres Events **WORLD PRIDE 2025**

“AND OVER ALL THESE VIRTUES
PUT ON LOVE, WHICH BINDS
THEM ALL TOGETHER IN
PERFECT UNITY.”
COLOSSIANS 3:14

JUNE 6 > 5-7 PM

PARADE PREP & TRUCK DECORATING

JUNE 7 > 10:30 A.M.

CENTERING & HUMAN PRAYER WALL

JUNE 7 > 11:00 AM

PRE-PARADE BLOCK PARTY & HOSPITALITY

JUNE 7 > 12:30 PM

PARADE LINEUP

More info:

www.15thstreet.org

REGISTER TO VOLUNTEER:

<https://forms.office.com/r/5DcywHAWx1>



LEWINSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Lewinsville's Refugee Resettlement Team is sponsoring a June Sunday morning Christian education class on the ins-and-outs of refugee resettlement—answering all the questions you have about this ministry! This class is offered both in-person and via zoom.

REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT: QUESTIONS ASKED AND ANSWERED

SUNDAYS JUNE 1 - JUNE 22
ROOM 102A 9:30AM-10:30AM

JUNE 1:

What is the Biblical foundation for helping the stranger? What messages do both the Old and New Testaments provide for how Christians should respond to help requested by the foreigner? How consistent is this message? Are there conditions on our acceptance and generosity? Pastor Scott will provide a Biblical, theological, Reformed background to this ministry.

JUNE 8:

How does the refugee vetting process work? How do the United Nations and the U.S. State Department handle refugees who seek visas to the U.S.? How has this system historically worked, and how is it working now? How many refugees are typically admitted into the U.S., and from which countries do they come? What are the different kinds of visas granted by the U.S. State Department? How are visa applicants vetted? What financial support does the federal government provide to this resettlement process? The presenter for this session is Don Lu. Don is a member of our congregation and in the Biden Administration was U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for South and Central Asia.

JUNE 15:

How are refugees resettled and what happens to them once they have arrived in the U.S.? How is it determined where they are located? What are the non-profit resettlement agencies, and what services do they provide? Where do these agencies receive funding for resettlement? What is the current situation facing these resettlement agencies? Fatimata Gakou from Lutheran Social Services National Capital Area (LSSNCA) will be presenting.

JUNE 22:

What has been the experience of this congregation in settling refugees? How did this ministry begin at Lewinsville? How many families have we supported, and how have we helped them? How much does this program cost, and where do we get our funding? What lessons have we learned along the way? What is our current response to the cessation of federal support for refugee resettlement? A panel of RRT members from this congregation will share their experiences and answer questions.



SERVICE OF GRATITUDE FOR USAID

June 8, 2025

3:00 p.m.

Trinity Presbyterian Church

5533 16th Street N.

Arlington, VA 22205



**Join us as we thank those who worked for USAID
and for those who carried out the work of
international development and humanitarian
assistance through organizations that carried out
USAID contracts and projects. We are grateful for
the impact of this work and for the people who
have served the greater good of all humanity
through caring for vulnerable people and
communities around the world.**

**Sponsored by Trinity Presbyterian (Arlington), Fairlington
Presbyterian, Clarendon Presbyterian, and Arlington
Presbyterian Churches**

BURKE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
INVITES YOU TO AN

IMMIGRATION FORUM

BPC Member, Brian Murray, is Senior Partner at Murray Osorio, an immigration law firm representing Kilmar Abrego Garcia

COME AND LEARN

- Immigration law basics
- Common Misconceptions
- about the Kilmar case and whats at stake
- How to respond

JUNE 8, 11:30 - 1 PM
MEETING HOUSE AT BPC



ALL ARE WELCOMED!
LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED
ZOOM LINK ID: 817 7670 9945
PASSCODE: 776780

REGISTER HERE SO
WE HAVE ENOUGH
SPACE/FOOD



COME & JOIN US FOR

SUMMER BOOK STUDY

● *Rev. David Williams*

for
His Book: *"The Prayer of
Unwanting"*

Join us in June for a book study on the Lord's Prayer based on the book, *The Prayer of Unwanting: How the Lord's Prayer Helps Us Get Over Ourselves--and Why That Might Be a Good Thing* by Rev. Dr. David Williams. Dr. Williams is currently the pastor at Poolesville Presbyterian Church in Maryland.

Thursdays, June 12, 19, 26
7:00 p.m.
Kurtz Friendship Room

For more information, call the office at
703.971.1171 or visit:
www.bushhill.org



Bush Hill Presbyterian Church
4916 Franconia Rd.
Alexandria, VA 22310



MATTHEW BLACK

The Everything Is Terrible and No One Is Okay Tour

COMING TO THE
DMV!

Jun 12, 2025

7:00pm

Saint Mark Presbyterian Church

10701 Old Georgetown Road
North Bethesda, MD

Jun 14, 2025

7:00pm

Clarendon Presbyterian Church

1305 N Jackson St
Arlington, VA

Jun 15, 2025

2:00pm

Ingleside at Rock Creek

3050 Military Rd NW
Washington, DC

BOOK TALK AND SIGNING

MOTHER EMANUEL: TWO CENTURIES OF RACE, RESISTANCE, AND FORGIVENESS IN ONE CHARLESTON CHURCH



Former New York Times Journalist

Kevin Sack

In conversation with
The Rev. William H. Lamar IV
Pastor of Metropolitan AME Church, DC

Location: Fairfax Presbyterian Church
10723 Main Street
Fairfax, Virginia 22030



Friday, June 13, 2025



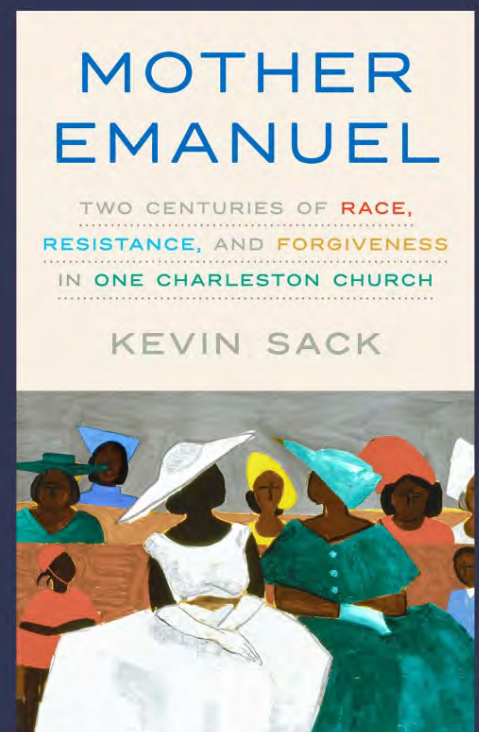
7:00 –
8:30 PM

Event is free and open to the public, but EventBrite tickets are required for planning purposes:

<https://tinyurl.com/yc4htew4>



Scan me!



FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT
HENRY G. BRINTON AT
HGBRINTON@GMAIL.COM

JOIN QUEERLY GATHERED FOR A

QUEER LED

PRIDE SERVICE



29 JUNE
2025

6:30PM | SNACKS AND FELLOWSHIP

7:00 PM | SERVICE

ALLIES WELCOME!

Clarendon Presbyterian Church

1305 N Jackson St
Arlington, VA 22201

ASL interpreters provided



You're Invited! A Queer-Led Pride Service

Join Queerly Gathered for a special Queer-Led Pride Service on Sunday, June 29th at 6:30 PM at Clarendon Presbyterian Church in Arlington.

This service is a chance to reflect, rejoice, and resist together—lifting up the sacredness of queer lives, stories, and spirit. Come support this queer faith space! Expect beautiful music, grounding words, and a space to be fully yourself.

Date: Sunday, June 29

Time: 6:30 PM - Fellowship; 7:00 PM - Service

Location: Clarendon Presbyterian Church

All are welcome!

Come as you are—queer, questioning, ally, or anything in between. We can't wait to share this moment with you.

With pride,

The Queerly Gathered Team



Labyrinth Walk

Wednesday, July 2, 7-8 pm

Fairlington Presbyterian Church

3846 King St, Alexandria

Lower Level Common Area

Walking the sacred, ancient path of a labyrinth is a tradition that allows for contemplation, quiet and reflection. Join Veriditas-trained labyrinth facilitator Niala Boodhoo as she facilitates a walk, offering a brief introduction and time of reflection afterward. This is a free community event and all are welcome.

BEER + SINGING = FUN!

NO REHEARSALS, NO PERFORMANCES - ALL ARE
WELCOME TO SING OUT AND DRINK BEER!

SUNDAY NOV. 1 @ 7PM



9812 FALLS RD #106,
POTOMAC, MD 20854



Summer Events

Theology by the Vine at Windridge Vineyards

Thursdays – 5/29, 6/26, 7/24, 8/28, 9/25

Beer Choir at Whelan's dates

June 29th, July 20th, August 24th at 7PM

Mission Trip

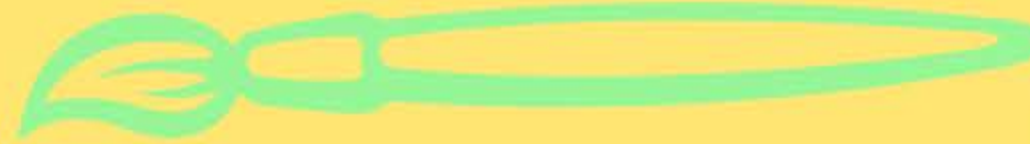
July 27, 2025 – August 2, 2025

Children's Music & Arts Camp

Ages pre-K through 5th grade, August 11 – 15th



Divine Harmony



PreK-5 STUDENTS

Summer Camp
for Music, Art, and Drama

AUGUST 11-15 9AM-2PM AFTER CARE 2-5PM

POTOMAC PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

10301 River Rd. ~ Potomac, MD

[The Raleigh Ringers](#) will be performing here at The First Presbyterian Church of Annandale on Saturday, August 23, 2025, at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary. We are so happy that this “*Internationally-acclaimed and Emmy-Nominated Handbell Group*” will be performing here at the First Presbyterian Church of Annandale during the 11th Season of our FPCA Concert Series. **Online Tickets are on sale for this special event for \$30.00.**

Tickets can be purchased by going to the following website:

<https://fpcava.ticketspice.com/the-raleigh-ringer-handbell-group>. Or, you will find a **LINK** to the site where you may purchase tickets to this wonderful concert on the

First Presbyterian Church of Annandale FACEBOOK site:

<https://www.facebook.com/FirstPresbyterianChurchOfAnnandale>. So, mark your calendars and please get your tickets online, as tickets sold at the door on the day of the concert will be \$35.00.

Thank you so much for your continued support for the mission, ministry, and music program here at the First Presbyterian Church of Annandale



***Tickets Available Online
At fpcannandale.org for \$30.00
Paper Tickets at the Door - \$35.00***



***The Raleigh Ringers
FOR ONE NIGHT ONLY!***

***Live and In Concert - August 23, 2025 (7:00 - 8:30 PM)
Location: The First Presbyterian Church of Annandale
7610 Newcastle Drive, Annandale, Virginia 22003***



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Contact details for
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study, and information on
where this study
is being conducted

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SAVE THE DATE

Synod of the Mid-Atlantic 2025 Men's Conference

18 – 20 July 2025

Massanetta Springs Conference Center

**712 Massanetta Springs Road
Harrisonburg, VA 22801**



- Conference & Meals (No Lodging) **\$235 Per Person**
- Conference, Meals & Lodging; Hubler Lodge Double: **\$405 Per Person**
- Conference, Meals & Lodging; Hubler Lodge Single: **\$505 Per Person**
- Conference, Meals & Lodging; Richardson Double: **\$365 Per Person**
- Conference, Meals & Lodging; Richardson Single: **\$415 Per Person**

Theme:
The Transformation

Romans 12:2 Do not conform to the pattern of this world but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

Registration Details to follow - Questions: Point of Contact: Elder Victor H. Samuel, Vicdog880@gmail.com



Presbyterian Men's Conference 2025
Massanetta Springs Conference Center
712 Massanetta Springs Road
Harrisonburg, VA 22801



April 8, 2025

"Do not be conformed to this world,[a] but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."

Romans 12:2

My Brothers in Christ, I pray that this message finds you in good health and spirit. I am Elder Reggie Fortune, the Conference Leader for the 2025 Mid-Atlantic Presbyterian Men's Conference. The conference is scheduled for July 18 - 20, 2025. Our theme this year is, "Doing God's Will - The Transfiguration (based on Romans 12:2)."

I am excited by the program planned for this year and looking forward to our fellowship, learning, and worship experience. Please register early at the Mid-Atlantic Presbyterian Men's website (www.midatlpresmen.org) and bring a friend. In accordance with our theme, we have expanded our outreach effort this year to all of the Presbyteries in the Synod. As a result, we are anticipating a significant increase in participation. So, you don't want to miss this year's event! May God continue to bless and keep you!

Yours in Christ,

Elder Reginald Fortune
2025 Conference Leader
Sargent Memorial Presbyterian Church
5109 Nannie Helen Burroughs Ave NE
Washington, DC 20019



2025 Schedule

July 18-20, 2025

Fri, July 18

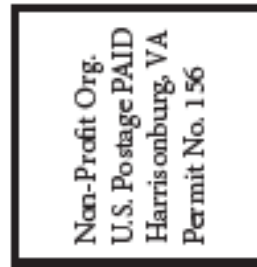
- 3:00 - 7:00 PM Registration
- 5:00 PM First timer orientation
- 5:00 PM Small group leader Instructions
- 6:00 PM Supper
- 7:10 PM Welcome to the conference & music
- 7:10 PM Preview & introductions
- 7:20 PM Sharing the theme - Romans 12:2
- 8:00 PM Small group discussions "What does the theme mean to you."
- 9:00 PM Personal time

Sat, July 19

- 7:00 AM Breakfast
- 8:00 AM Welcome & music
- 8:15 AM Speaker 1 - Pastor ShaDaroil Lea
- 9:00 AM Small group discussion
- 9:45 AM Presentation from small groups to whole group
- 10:15 AM Break
- 10:25 AM Group photo
- 10:45 AM Mission update
- 11:00 AM 2026 Conference dates
- 11:10 AM Business meeting
- 12:00 PM Lunch
- 1:00 PM Speaker 2 - Rev. Brian McCollum
- 1:45 PM Small group discussion
- 2:15 PM Presentation from Small Groups to whole group
- 2:45 PM Free time & activities
- 4:00 PM Watermelon social
- 6:00 PM Dinner
- 7:30 AM Concert by The Sargent Wings of Sargent Memorial PC
- 8:45 PM Ice cream social
- 9:45 PM Personal time

Sun, July 20

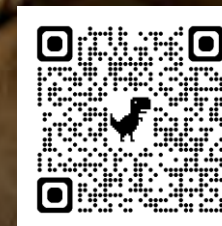
- 7:00 AM Silent communion - Rev. Mark Hinchcliff
- 7:45 AM Breakfast
- 8:00 AM Check-out
- 9:00 AM Welcome & music
- 9:15 AM Speaker 3 - Rev. Jimmie Hawkins
- 10:00 AM Small group discussion
- 11:00 AM Worship - Rev. Mark Hinchcliff
- 12:00 PM Lunch & departure



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Center, 712 Massanetta Springs
Road Harrisonburg, VA 22801
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"Doing God's Will"
The Transfiguration
Romans 12:2



2025

Conference Speakers and Leaders

Worship Leader

REV Jimmie Hawkins

Director of the Presbyterian Church
(USA) Office of Public Witness,
Washington, DC



Worship Leader

REV BRIAN MCCOLLUM

Pastor at Sargent Memorial
PC, Washington, DC



Worship Leader

PASTOR SHADAROIL LEA

The New Transformation
Uplift Ministries



Silent Communion Leader

REV MARK HINCHCLIFF

Spiritual director for
the Mid-Atlantic Synod
Men's Conference



Music Leader

CLINT DAMUTH

Bayside PC, VA Beach, VA



2025 Conference Leader

ELDER REGINALD FORTUNE

Sargent Memorial PC



In Concert **THE SARGENT WINGS**

Chamber Orchestra
Washington, DC



REGISTRATION FORM

2025 Synod of the Mid-Atlantic Presbyterian Men's Conference

July 18-20, 2025

Register on-line: www.midatlpresmen.org/ **PayPal Available**

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Day Phone _____ Evening Phone _____

Email _____

Emergency Contact Name _____

Relation _____ Phone _____

Roommate Request Name _____

Special Needs / Disability _____

Church _____ Presbytery _____

Number of prior conferences attended _____

Select Conference Package

- ☐ Hubler Lodge, Double, 2 nights, 6 meals, conference, \$405
☐ Hubler Lodge Single, 2 nights, 6 meals, conference, \$505
☐ Richardson Lodge, Double, 2 nights, 6 meals, conference, \$365
☐ Richardson Lodge, Single, 2 nights, 6 meals, conference, \$415
☐ Conference & Meals Only, 6 meals, conference, \$235
☐ Conference Only, conference, \$135 (No meals or lodging)

****Hubler Lodge - 2 Queen Beds, Private Bath**

****Richardson Lodge - 2 Single Beds, Shared Bath**

Select Saturday Afternoon Activity

- ☐ Local Winery Tour
☐ Bowling
☐ Lavender Farm Visit
☐ Hiking the Massanetta grounds/free time

Total Cost

\$ _____ Total Conference Package

Make checks payable to "Presbyterian Men's Conference"

Mail Registration Form and Check to:

Presbyterian Men

c/o Paul Willbanks, Treasurer

P.O. Box 72

Port Penn, DE 19731

Questions? Call 410-829-9161 or Email pmwillbanks@gmail.com

Join us October 8-11, 2025 for

SACRED CREATION:

Justice Flows Down Like Water

Earth Care Conference

Ferncliff Camp & Conference Center in Little Rock, AR and online

Keynote Speaker: Rev. Andrew Black, EarthKeepers 360

Worship Leaders: Rev. Rebecca Barnes & Rev. Jocelyn Wildwright

The Future of Water

Dr. Linda K. Smith

Dam Removal/Stream Restoration

Joel Gill

**Spiritual Practices & Personal Renewal
in a Threatened Creation**

Dr. Rebecca Langer

**Water: Essential Resource for Health
Yet Vulnerable to Contamination**

Dr. Marilyn Howarth

**When the Earth Cries Out:
Disasters & Creation Care**

Rev. Edwin Gonzalez-Castillo

Soil to Soul Awakening

Joyce & James Skeet

**Applying the Precautionary Principle to
Restoring God's Water**

Dr. Thomas Pakurar

International Panel Discussion:

**Rev. Jed Koball, Dr. Anne Hallum, Bishop Tom Ochuka
moderated by Rev. Dr. Patricia Tull**



REGISTRATION:

presbyearthcare.org/2025-earth-care-conference





SUMMER CAMP 2025



Day & Overnight Christian Camps for Elementary, Middle & High School Youth

Overnight Session Lengths: 2 Nights to 3 Weeks

	June 15 – 21	June 22 – 28	June 29 – July 5	July 6 – 12	July 13 – 19	July 20 – 26	July 27 – Aug 2
DAY Rising 1 st - 6 th	Day Camp	Day Camp	Day Camp	Day Camp	Day Camp	Day Camp	Day Camp
WINGERS Rising 2 nd - 4 th	Spread Your Wings	Spread Your Wings	Spread Your Wings		Spread Your Wings	Spread Your Wings	Spread Your Wings
		Test Your Wings	Test Your Wings	Flap Your Wings		Test Your Wings	Test Your Wings
JUNIORS Rising 5 th & 6 th	1-Week Juniors	1-Week Juniors	1-Week Juniors	1-Week Juniors	1-Week Juniors	1-Week Juniors	1-Week Juniors
MIDLERS Rising 7 th - 9 th	1-Week Middlers	1-Week Middlers	1-Week Middlers	1-Week Middlers	1-Week Middlers	1-Week Middlers	1-Week Middlers
	2-Week Middlers				2-Week Middlers		
				Middler Night Owls		Middler Night Owls	
SENIORS Rising 9 th - 12 th	1-Week Seniors	Senior Night Owls	1-Week Seniors	Senior Night Owls	1-Week Seniors	Senior Night Owls	1-Week Seniors
	Pathfinders - Leaders In Training						
	Pathfinders CIT - Counselors In Training						



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