

Greetings People,

This summer I had a social media discipline to post daily a Beautiful Thing (according to me). I wanted to share daily beauty that I encounter and invited others to share their beautiful observations. It was not a project or anything, just a way to remind myself how I want to be with a lens of the Triune God in front of me. And a way for me to act like I am on social media!

As a presbytery, we deserve to engage with one another and celebrate BEAUTIFUL Things in our ministries as a witness of the reconciling love of Jesus Christ! We need this! Listed are some BEAUTIFUL Things in your presbytery that my desk is grateful to be working on with you!

- August 23rd, registration is still open for in-person Workshop on Communications from and with your congregation on Saturday, August 23, 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM at Lewinsville Presbyterian Church.
- September 2nd, 7am -9am Ministry of Presence with Prayers and Blessings at DC Metro Stations. This is a repeat ministry of presence from June. Pastors and members will be present with signs and prayers for employees arriving to work after Labor Day holiday. This was not a protest (there are also times for that). This is a time of pastoral care and evangelism through a ministry of presence. And yes, you want to be ready with details of where your church is located. People were asking! Join us for a zoom teach in on August 19th at 10:00 AM Zoom Link Meeting ID: 843 2742 1318 Passcode: 025133
- For Times Such as Now continues to be provided online for our clergy in areas of prayer support in your ministry for the first Thursday of each month. The third Thursday of each month is Listen-n-Learn of ways to be faithfully engaged with partners throughout the DMV as many legal and employment changes are occurring: August 21st at noon will be with PCUSA Office of Public Witness. September 18th will be with Amica Center for Immigrant Rights. Pastors Check your inbox for an email about these events.
- **NCP Youth Gathering** for the fall, October 19th with Zy Bryant at Hope Presbyterian Church in Mechanicville, MD. Praying with our FEET! More info to come!
- Add Missional Incubator events this Fall to your calendar!

Each of these gatherings, some in-person and some online, are provided so we can see the BEAUTY in one another and with one another. COME and join in on some Beautiful Ministry opportunities with your colleagues and churches of NCP!

Peace and Courage,

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