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The next Thursday Mail deadline is
Monday, October 13 with distribution
on Thursday, October 16.

THURSDAY MAIL

October 2, 2025



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Washington, DC, USA

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Upcoming Events 2025/26

SEPT

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Ministry of Presence

Prayers at DC Metro Stations

SEP

8

Antiracism - Laity

Six sessions via Zoom

SEP

9

Antiracism - Clergy

Six sessions via Zoom

SEP

18

Missional Incubator

Who, What, Why

SEP

22

Action Item Dialogue

No items for action

SEP

23

Presbytery Meeting

New Commissioner Training & Business Mtg

SEP

29

Faithful Investing

Zoom

OCT

5

Pastors' Hangout

Social Hour

OCT

18

It's Not Weird

Start a Compelling Missional Business

OCT

19

Youth Event

Presbytery-Wide Praying with Our Feet

OCT

25

Allyship Training

In-person

NOV

16

Missional Incubator

Implementation

NOV

18

Presbytery Meeting

Zoom, Budget

NOV

21-23

Keep Awake

Registration open

JAN

31

Leadership Training

Coming soon

FEB

3-5

Missional Incubator

Immersion

MAR

2-4

Continuing Ed. Gathering & Retreat

→ For more information and to register -
thepresbytery.org/events
Questions?
communications@thepresbytery.org

VIDEO MESSAGE FROM GENERAL PRESBYTER: OCTOBER 18 MISSIONAL INCUBATOR EVENT FOR ALL



Rev. John Molina-Moore



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

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PASTORS' HANGOUT

Sunday, October 5,
2025 at 7:00 PM
Mount Vernon
Presbyterian Church

Join colleagues **THIS Sunday** for fun, firepit, yard games and a time to connect with each other. Bring a snack to share and a lawn chair. Register [HERE](#).





Currie Burris, retired
John Chiang, retired
Caitlin Culp
Abigail Evans
Nancy Fox, retired
Patricia Futato
Ron Hankins, retired
Walter Harman, retired
Glenda Simpkins Hoffman
Haekil Kim
Robert Long III, retired
Peter Manning
Joseph Matthews, retired
Amy Schacht, retired
Stephen Smith-Cobbs
Katie Strednak Singer
Ed Taylor, retired
Holly Ulmer
Alice Winters, retired
Heemoon Youn, retired



UKIRK MARYLAND

Do you have students from your congregation who attend the University of Maryland at College Park? Let them know about UKirk Maryland - [ukirkmaryland](#) on Instagram share the form [HERE](#).



FROM THE OFFICE OF THE STATED CLERK

Attention **Clerks of Session!** In the coming weeks you will be receiving a few emails. One request will be for your church's **Necrology Report** - those elders who have died during the period from November 1, 2024 through October 31, 2025. All churches are asked to submit a report no later than November 3, 2025 to ensure its inclusion at the November 18th presbytery meeting. The second request will be to schedule a **Session Records Review**. Those emails will come from communications@thepresbytery.org through Constant Contact.

CHANGING SEASONS, CHANGING CLERKS?



Has your congregation elected a new Clerk of Session or updated its church office email? Have you changed your personal email address?

Let us know! Send contact information updates to communications@thepresbytery.org

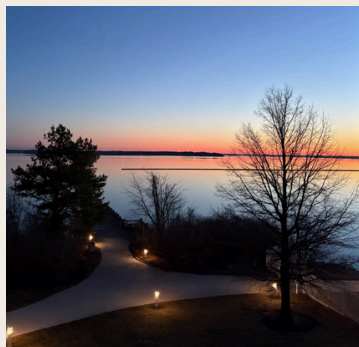


SPECIAL OFFERINGS

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As congregations plan for the year ahead, note the 226th General Assembly (2024) approved changes to the churchwide Special Offerings to take effect January 1, 2026. To learn more about the 2026 changes, click [HERE](#).

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! We are excited for our speakers **Brennan Breed**, Associate Professor of Old Testament at Princeton Theological Seminary and **Lakisha Lockhart**, Associate Professor of Christian Education and Acting Director of the Center for Womanist Leadership at Union Presbyterian Seminary. Register [HERE](#).



SONG WRITING RETREAT



THE
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SONG

The Center for Congregational Song is offering another one of its **song-writing retreats**. This year's retreat we're returning to Richmond, VA on October 22-25, 2025. It is an ecumenical gathering of song writers. Many are clergy or worship leaders in their local churches who would like to begin or would like to get better at writing hymns and songs of the church. Others are simply lay folks who feel called to write. The clinicians this year are renowned hymn writers Mary Louise Bringle (Brevard, NC) and Ben Brody (Spokane, WA).

You can learn all about the retreat here:
<https://congregationalsong.org/event/writing-the-church-song-2025/>

CAMP HANOVER OPPORTUNITY

INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY @ **CAMP HANOVER**



Interested in serving God and others through 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 camphanover.org/about/mvp/.

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