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PRESBYTERY



Weekly Update for August 13, 2024

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*...be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms  
and hymns and spiritual songs to one another,  
singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts.*

Ephesians 5:19

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**Presbytery Meeting Summary**



The Beaver-Butler Presbytery held its stated meeting at 6 p.m.. Tuesday, July 30, 2024. Moderator was Rev. Jamie L. Fowler and Vice-Moderator was Elder Dennis Krebs. The meeting was hosted by the Clinton Presbyterian Church, Saxonburg, where Rev. Kelley Angleberger serves as covenant pastor.

[Access the summary...](#)



## Bulk Order for Planning Calendar

The Presbytery Office is placing a bulk order for the Presbyterian Planning Calendar for churches and individuals at the discounted price of \$11.00—which includes shipping. If purchased individually—without bulk discount—cost is \$26.80 (includes shipping).

This 19-month calendar (Sept. 2024 – Dec. 2025) contains many planning aids for pastors and other church leaders.

Some previously printed directories (Alphabetical Staff, Organizational Staff and Subject) are being moved to the pcusa.org website for better accuracy. Links are on the order form and will be included on the presbytery website.

Calendars will be distributed at the September 24 Presbytery Meeting or will be available for pick-up at the Presbytery Office.

Please return form and payment to the Presbytery Office by Tuesday, August 20. Checks should be made payable to “Beaver-Butler Presbytery” and mailed to Beaver-Butler Presbytery, P.O. Box 279, Zelienople, PA 16063.

Expected Delivery to the Presbytery Office is mid-September (Email notification will be sent.)

[Learn more and access order form...](#)

## Board of Pensions Workshops

### Monday, August 26

2:30-4:30 p.m. — For Ministers

6:30-8 p.m. — For Personnel Chairs or the church member responsible for the BOP connections.

Presbytery Center  
134B S. Main Street



(Parking lot behind the Center—off High Street)  
Zelienople, PA

The Rev. Dr. Emily Chudy will visit our Presbytery to discuss the changes to the Board of Pensions benefits.

If requested, a Zoom link can be provided for those unable to attend in person.

Please register for the workshop by Wednesday, August 21 by contacting the Presbytery office at 724-452-7515 or [office@beaverbutler.org](mailto:office@beaverbutler.org).



## Youth Group Scavenger Hunt

**September 15, 2-3:30 p.m.**

Highland Presbyterian Church  
310 Franklin Street, Slippery Rock

Beaver-Butler Presbytery's Youth Ministry is hosting a fall scavenger hunt. Youth groups will get to know the quaint town of Slippery Rock by following clues to unique and sometimes strange places throughout the town.

RSVP to Diana at [dianamermon@beaverbutler.org](mailto:dianamermon@beaverbutler.org) or 412-915-2097.



## Worship Without Walls

**Sunday, August 25**

Alameda Park in Butler—  
Masonic Shelter (next to purple playground)

Worship—10:30 a.m.

Picnic—11:45 a.m.

Pool Party—1 p.m.

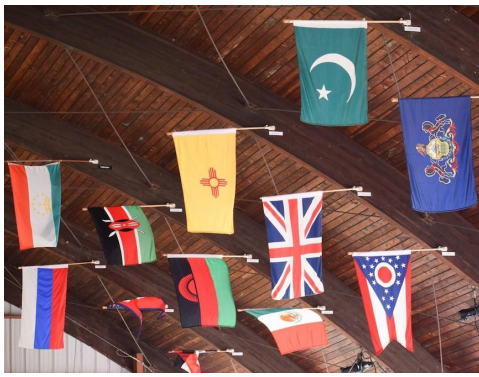
*Hosted by Butler Area Presbyterians*

Worship will include a special blessing for students and educators. Bring a dish to share for the picnic. All ages are invited to stay and swim at Alameda Pool. Admission to pool is free thanks to a Beaver-Butler Presbytery Congregational Connections Grant.

If you are interested in swimming, please RSVP to Hill Church's Lauren Nace at [lnnace12@gmail.com](mailto:lnnace12@gmail.com) by Sunday, August 18.

[Download and post flyer..](#)

[Download sign-up sheet...](#)



## 119th New Wilmington Mission Conference

By Kerry Michelle Dowdy, *Member East Butler Church and Candidate for Ministry*

The 119th New Wilmington Mission Conference (NWMC) ran from July 19 to July 24, 2024. As a Pittsburgh Theological Seminary student, I had seen emails about the conference but did not make plans to attend. When COVID happened, NWMC offered free online only access and that is when I thought I should see what this is all about. For the next couple of years I opted for the online only and noticed there were parts of the conference I was missing. That included not just speakers that needed their identity protected, but the worship and songs.

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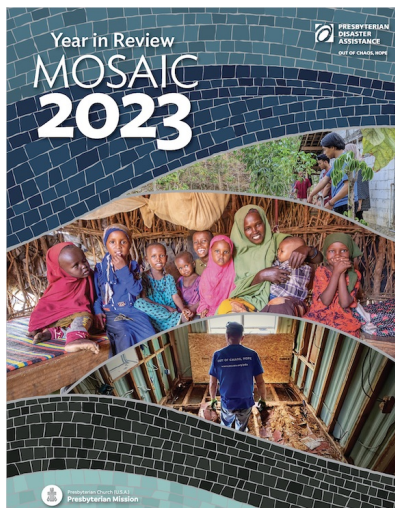


## Bus Trip to BibleWalk Museum

Saturday, October 26, 7 a.m.-9 p.m.

Friendship Church is the departure place for a bus trip to the BibleWalk Museum in Ohio. Included in the trip is four Biblewalk Exhibits and a dinner theater show. We hope to discover more about the Bible through wax figures and live theater. As with previous trips, fellowship and a faith recharge are also included.

[Download flyer to learn more...](#)



## PDA Year in Review

In 2023, because of your generous support, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) was able to...

- grant more than \$6.1 million across the globe
- impact more than 981,000 individuals internationally
- support 1,837 work team volunteers totaling more than \$4 million in volunteer time to help rebuild communities affected by disaster
- deploy 131 National Response Team members to 46 presbyteries
- offer more than \$256,000 in Migration Accompaniment Ministry grants in the U.S.
- present Emotional & Spiritual Care

- programs to more than 300 participants
- train 67 Presbyterian Women Disaster Preparedness Trainers across the U.S.
- reach the 15 Million Streaming Milestone for Flint: The Poisoning of an American City
- and with Church World Service, aid in the collection and distribution of 116,273 Gift of the Heart Kits and blankets.

*Read the Year in Review Mosaic 2023...*



## Free Robe and Hoods

Lois Griffin is looking to pass along a robe that belonged to her father, The Rev. George Carson. It is in good condition. Two hoods are available as well. The robe does not have a size label, but Rev. Carson was 5'11" tall and 144 pounds.

If you are interested in having the robe, call Lois at 248-770-3164.

## CHURCH EVENTS

Support and promote worship, fellowship, and fundraising events by congregations in our presbytery.

### WORSHIP WITHOUT WALLS

**Sunday, August 25**

Alameda Park in Butler—Masonic Shelter (next to purple playground)

Worship—10:30 a.m., Picnic—11:45 a.m., Pool Party—1 p.m.

*Hosted by Butler Area Presbyterians*

***Download and post flyer..***

### ADULT FALL RETREAT—MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**Saturday, October 19**

North Sewickley Church is extending an invitation for their Fall Retreat. You can make a getaway from the chaos in our lives for spiritual regeneration through studying God's word. More information will be available soon.

### BUS TRIP TO BIBLEWALK MUSEUM

**Saturday, October 26, 7 a.m.-9 p.m.**

Friendship Church is hosting a bus trip to the BibleWalk Museum in Ohio.

***Download flyer...***

Send event information to [chrisanngoossen@beaverbutler.org](mailto:chrisanngoossen@beaverbutler.org). Attach flyers and brochures as PDF documents and slides as PowerPoint documents.

## PRESBYTERY EVENTS

[Click here for additional information...](#)

### **PASTOR'S FELLOWSHIP LUNCH**

**Wednesday, August 21, 12 p.m.**

Old Union Church Pavilion—200 Union Church Road, Mars, PA

### **BOARD OF PENSIONS WORKSHOPS**

**Monday, August 26**

2:30-4:30 p.m.—For Ministers

6:30-8 p.m.—For Personnel Chairs or the church member responsible for the BOP connections.

Presbytery Center—134B S. Main Street, Zelienople, PA

### **RACIAL RECONCILIATION BOOK CLUB**

**Wednesdays at 7 p.m. by Zoom**

September 11 and 25; October 9 and 23; November 13 and 27

### **YOUTH GROUP SCAVENGER HUNT**

**September 15, 2-3:30 p.m.**

Highland Presbyterian Church—310 Franklin Street, Slippery Rock

### **PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN FALL GATHERING**

**Saturday, October 12, 10 a.m.-noon**

Camp Run Church—489 Church Road, Harmony PA

### **WEE KIRK CONFERENCE**

**Monday-Wednesday, October 14-16**

Laurelville Mennonite Church Center, Mt. Pleasant, PA

### **YOUTH GROUP WEEKEND RETREAT**

**Friday, October 18–Sunday, October 20**

Camp Lambec—West Springfield, PA

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## **SYNOD OF THE TRINITY EVENTS**

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## **PRESBYTERY NEWS**

[Click here for news you may have missed...](#)

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## **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

[Click here for position descriptions and contact information...](#)

### **Church Worship Accompanist**

Vanport Church, Vanport

### **Bookkeeper (Part Time)**

Plains Church, Cranberry Twp.

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## **THE PRESBYTERY OFFICE**

### Regular Office Hours

Monday-Thursday, 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m.  
or by appointment.

### 2024 Holiday Schedule

New Year's Day...January 1  
Martin Luther King Day...January 15  
President's Day...February  
19 Memorial Day...May 27  
Juneteenth...June 19  
Independence Day...July 4  
Labor Day...September 2  
Veterans' Day...November 11  
Thanksgiving Day...November 28  
Christmas Eve...December 24  
Christmas Day...December 25  
Christmas Week...December 26-29

### 2024 Presbytery Meetings

**Saturday, January 27, 10 a.m.**

Lunch  
North Sewickley, Ellwood City

**Tuesday, March 19, 6 p.m.**

Calvin, Zelienople

**Tuesday, May 28, 6 p.m.**

Concord, Baden

**Tuesday, July 30, 6 p.m.**

Clinton, Saxonburg

**Tuesday, September 24, 4 p.m.**

Dinner  
Hosted by First, Darlington and  
The Galilean, New Galilee  
New Galilee Community Center

**Tuesday, November 19, 6 p.m.**

New Sewickley, Rochester

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#### Beaver-Butler Presbytery



#### Beaver-Butler Presbytery Youth



#### Presbytery Weekly Update

To share announcements and news or to add names to the mailing list,  
contact ChrisAnn at [chrisanngoossen@beaverbutler.org](mailto:chrisanngoossen@beaverbutler.org). To access back issues,  
go to [beaverbutler.org/weekly-update-e-newsletter/](https://www.beaverbutler.org/weekly-update-e-newsletter/).

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