

# BEAVER- BUTLER PRESBYTERY



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*But the wisdom from above is first pure,  
then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield,  
full of mercy and good fruits,  
without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy.*

James 3:17



## A Gathering of Churches

Tuesday, September 24, 4 p.m.

Registration and Elder Commissioner Training, 3:30 p.m.

In-Person at New Galilee Community Center  
606 Centennial Avenue, New Galilee, PA  
16141

This is a dinner meeting, hosted by The Galilean Church and First Church, Darlington. Cost of the meal is \$10.

Registration for the meeting is requested for In-Person and Zoom via Email ([office@beaverbutler.org](mailto:office@beaverbutler.org)) or telephone at 724-452-7515.

All new business and requests for items to be removed from the Consent Agenda must be to the Stated Clerk's Desk 15 minutes prior to the start of the meeting.

If Childcare is Needed, please contact the Presbytery Office at 724-452-7515.

Please connect to the meeting between 3:30 and 3:45 p.m. to view the Livestream (noninteractive) Zoom Meeting.

***Access the packet with Zoom codes...***



## Peacemaker's Visit

Dumitru Roibu of Moldova is visiting Beaver-Butler Presbytery this month as our International Peacemaker from Thursday, September 19 until Wednesday, September 25.

Formerly a part of the Soviet Union, Moldova has been independent since 1991. Slightly larger than the state of Maryland, it is the poorest country in Europe, yet has received thousands of refugees fleeing the war in Ukraine.

Dumitru Roibu is the executive president of YMCA Moldova which has helped more than 14,000 refugees and created more than 320 Digital Education Centers.

We will welcome Dumitru to our September Presbytery Meeting on Tuesday, September 24. We look forward to meeting him and learning more about Moldova and his important work.

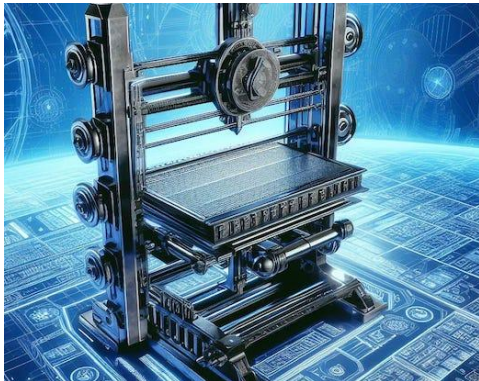
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If your church is interested in having Dumitru join you for an event, please contact Joyce

Hamilton at [piecesjkh@zoominternet.net](mailto:piecesjkh@zoominternet.net) or 724-822-3494.

An information sheet about our peacemaker is available for you to learn more and to include in your church bulletins as we mark our peacemaker's visit.

[Download the information sheet...](#)



## From Gutenberg to Google

**How and why the church must transform social media into social ministry to stay relevant, let alone be vital, in today's world.**

**Thursday, September 26, 7 p.m.**

Calvin Presbyterian Church  
415 East Grandview Avenue, Zelienople

*Led by Rev. A. David Paul, M.S., M.Div.*

*Presented by Beaver-Butler Presbytery's Encouraging Churches to Flourish Unit*

Register to join in-person or online by contacting the office at 724-452-7515 or [office@beaverbutler.org](mailto:office@beaverbutler.org).

[Download and post flyer...](#)



## The 2025 Employer Agreement Now Open

As we transition to the Board of Pensions 2025 Benefits Plan, congregations and ministers should prepare to make the benefits decisions that best meet their needs.

Each employer representative's first step is to review their 2025 Employer Agreement in Benefits Connect through Friday, October 4.

[Go to 2025 Employer Agreement...](#)

[Go to Benefits Connect...](#)

## Fall Gathering of Women

**Saturday, October 12, 10 a.m.-noon  
With lunch following**

Camp Run Church  
489 Church Road, Harmony



Featured speakers are Linda Kristophel, former missionary in the Philippines and Jodie Tabano, speaking about the programs and services offered by LifeSteps in Western Pennsylvania.

Lunch donation is \$10.

Reservations are appreciated by Monday, October 7. Please contact Phyllis at 724-758-2053 or [cpcnew2@aol.com](mailto:cpcnew2@aol.com).

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## Faith-Based Security & Resilience Learning

Monday, September 30, 1-4 p.m.  
Online

The Pennsylvania Office of Homeland Security and partners cordially invite you to attend the third quarterly event of their virtual learning series.

In this segment, they will conduct a panel discussion between faith leaders who have been the unfortunate victims of gun violence along with public officials who are experts in the field of public safety.

Guidance and further resources will be provided via handouts, and there will be time for Questions & Answers.

[Learn more and register...](#)

[Download and post flyer...](#)



## Sponsor a Table

Friendship Church in Slippery Rock is hosting a spaghetti dinner on November 2. The dinner will benefit Desiree Williams and Sherrie Dillaman who are dealing with major medical issues.

Friendship Church is looking for sponsorships by local businesses at the following levels:

- \$100–Bronze
- \$250–Silver
- \$500–Gold
- \$1,000–Platinum

Sponsors will be displayed on the tables.

If interested in sponsoring a table, please contact Jeff at 724-498-5957 or Michelle at 724-



## First Aid Class

Saturday, November 2, 7 a.m.-12 p.m.

Ohio United Church  
1236 Longvue Avenue  
Aliquippa, PA

Ohio United Church is having a First Aid, CPR/AED, and Stop the Bleed class and members of the presbytery are invited. Instruction will be provided by Church Emergency Consulting ([www.churchemergency.com](http://www.churchemergency.com)).

The cost is \$120 payable day of class.

Reserve a spot by contacting Mark Douglass at [mwd1958@verizon.net](mailto:mwd1958@verizon.net).



## Planning Calendars Are In

If you or your church took advantage of the bulk order for Presbyterian Planning Calendars, they have arrived.

Please make arrangements to pick up your order at the Presbytery Office (134B South Main Street, Zelienople). Our office hours are Monday–Thursday, 9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. If you need to come at a different time, please call ahead or call for an appointment (724-452-7515).

### Correction!

There is an error in the new 2024-2025 calendar regarding the observed date of Juneteenth. Please note the Juneteenth holiday is June 19, 2025, **not** June 16 as printed.



## Parking Lot Resealing

If you visit the Presbytery Center on **Tuesday, September 17 or Wednesday, September 18,**

you will need to park on the street in front of the building.  
The parking lot behind the building will be getting  
resealed and relined on those days.

## CHURCH EVENTS

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

### A COMMUNITY CELEBRATION OF GOD'S LOVE

**Saturday, September 21, 3-6 p.m.—Rain or Shine**

Center Church—211 Center Street, Slippery Rock

*Hosted by Center, Highland, Friendship Churches of Slippery Rock.*

**[Download and post flyer...](#)**

### ADULT FALL RETREAT

**Saturday, October 19, 8:30 a.m.-7 p.m.**

Prayer Mountain Retreat Center in Darlington

Hosted by North Sewickley Church

**[Download brochure with registration form...](#)**

### 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...](#)**

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### PLAINS CHURCH HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR

**Saturday, November 9, 8 a.m.-2 p.m.**

326 Plains Church Road, Cranberry Township

**[Download and post fair flyer...](#)**

**[Download and post vendor 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...](#)

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### RACIAL RECONCILIATION BOOK CLUB

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

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

### **FROM GUTENBERG TO GOOGLE WORKSHOP**

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### **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

## **SYNOD OF THE TRINITY EVENTS**

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

## **PRESBYTERY NEWS**

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

## **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

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

### **Administrative Assistant**

Pittsburgh Presbytery

### **Church Worship Accompanist**

Vanport Church, Vanport

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

Plains Church, Cranberry Twp.

## **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

### **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.**

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

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

### Beaver-Butler Presbytery Center

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#### Presbytery Weekly Update

To share announcements and news or to add names to the mailing list,  
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go to [beaverbutler.org/weekly-update-e-newsletter/](http://beaverbutler.org/weekly-update-e-newsletter/).

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