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*Love is patient; love is kind;
love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude.
It does not insist on its own way;
it is not irritable; it keeps no record of wrongs...*

1 Corinthians 13:4-5 (NRSVue)



Annual Leadership and Administrative Event

Sunday, March 23, 1:30-5 p.m.
Registration—1:30-1:45 p.m.

Cranberry Community United Church
2662 Rochester Road
Cranberry Township, PA

*Presented by the Equipping Leaders Unit of
Beaver-Butler Presbytery*

This FREE training event is geared to equip those leading ministry—Pastors, Elders, Deacons, Worship Leaders, Youth Leaders, Treasurers, Clerks of Session, and all church congregants.

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



In Memoriam— Rev. Dr. Cliff Kirkpatrick

It is with deep sadness that Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary announces the death of The Reverend Dr. Clifton "Cliff" Kirkpatrick on Saturday, January 18, 2025.

Dr. Kirkpatrick's leadership extended far beyond the seminary. A longtime member of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), he served as the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly of the PC(USA) from 1996 to 2008. Upon his retirement, the General Assembly elected him Stated Clerk Emeritus in recognition of his leadership as the denomination's chief ecclesiastical officer and primary spokesperson.

[Read more...](#)



Shed-It Event

Saturday, March 15, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Presbytery Center Parking Lot (behind the building)

Here is an incentive to clean out file drawers and closets of all those sensitive documents that are no longer needed. You DO NOT need to remove staples or even binder clips as the machine can handle those.

The cost of this service is a gift from the presbytery to our churches. Non-church items are welcome for disposal—a donation is

requested. Feel free to share this opportunity with others.



Kelso Lecture and Metro-Urban Institute Conference

Thursday, March 13-Friday, March 14

Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

Keri L. Day, *speaker*

March 13— Lecture: *When the Spirit Moves: A Pneumatological Meditation on Trauma and Violence* (In Person and Online)

March 14— MUI Conference: *Transforming Traumas: Fostering Hope and Resilience in our Neighborhoods* (In Person)

Join this transformative gathering aimed at addressing the profound impacts of trauma and violence in our communities in an effort to foster pathways to hope and resilience. Participants will leave with practical tools and actionable strategies for trauma-informed care and healing centered engagement.

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



2025 Lent Resource Guide is Here

Find resources to fully honor and experience the season of Lent. When viewing the guide on a screen, click on any title or cover to be taken to the product page on PC(USA) Store.

Also, look for the dark blue blocks to download resource samples throughout. You can also email or print the guide to use for personal research or with committees.

[Go to the guide...](#)

OGHS Special Offering

March 5-April 20

One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) Special Offering works to end hunger, repair after disasters, and promote the self-development of all people. Most congregations receive this offering on Easter Sunday, Passion/Palm Sunday or both, while many receive it throughout Lent.

Special Offerings has a new look on PC(USA)'s



new website. It easier than ever to learn more and download resources.

[Go to OGHS webpage...](#)

Congregations should remit their Special Offerings through the presbytery office.

[Access a remittance form...](#)

Did you know

As the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) keeps time with Christ through the year, we observe three kinds of occasions. First we looked at Seasons and Festivals of the Christian Year. Next was Programmatic Emphasis of the PC(USA). The final occasions are Other Events in Public Life. Often acknowledged by congregations at the national level, these events include Labor Day, Mother's Day, and Veterans Day. Churches also might celebrate congregational anniversaries, community gatherings, or homecoming events.



Connection to Transformation Conference

Creating a Partnership Culture in Faith Communities

Friday, March 14-Saturday, March 15

First Presbyterian Church of Jamaica
89-60 164th Street, Jamaica, NY, 11432

Hosted by Synod of the Northeast

This innovative and intentionally interfaith, ecumenical conference will bring together faith leaders, community organizers, and interfaith partners to explore the power of collaboration in driving meaningful change and deepening collective impact across communities.

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

[Looking for a Summer Job?](#)



Each summer, Montreat Conference Center employs over 100 college-aged young adults to help keep things running smoothly during our busiest season. These young people not only gain practical work experience as they spend the summer in the small valley town, they also form a close-knit community among their peers as they live, work, and play together.

[Watch a video...](#)

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



Music Lending Library

Is your choir looking for something new to sing for Lent, Holy Week and/or Easter this year?

The Presbytery Resource Center has anthems that you can borrow. It's easy to look through what we have—samples are organized in binders. Or you can search the digital catalog. You can also try out the possibilities on the center's piano.

Come on in or contact ChrisAnn to set up an appointment (chrisanngoossen@beaverbutler.org).

CHURCH EVENTS

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

A NEW YEAR, A NEW YOU—WOMEN'S RETREAT

Saturday, February 22, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. (Breakfast and Registration—8:30 a.m.)

Presented by North Sewickley Church

Download and post flyer...

Download and post registration form...

Send event information to chrisanngoossen@beaverbutler.org. Attach flyers and brochures as PDF documents and slides as PowerPoint documents.

PRESBYTERY EVENTS

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

RACIAL RECONCILIATION BOOK CLUBS

White Fragility Book Club

Group One—First Tuesdays: January 7, February 4, March 4, April 1; 7-8:15 p.m.

Group Two—Third Mondays: January 20, February 17, March 17, April 21; 7-8:15 p.m.

The Just Mercy Book Club

Fourth Thursdays—January 23, February 27, March 27, April 24; 7-8:15 p.m.

A LENTEN JOURNEY WITH LUKE —

In-person and Zoom IPLF Workshop

Saturday, February 1, 12:30-3:30 p.m.

Redstone Presbytery Center—1004 Mt. Pleasant Road, Greensburg, PA

Learn more...

SHRED-IT EVENT

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BUILDING UP THE BODY OF CHRIST!

ADMINISTRATIVE AND LEADERSHIP TRAINING EVENT

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YOUTH GROUP WEEKEND RETREAT

Friday, April 25-Sunday, April 27, 2025

Camp Lambec—West Springfield, PA

PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH TRIENNIUM

Monday-Thursday, July 28-31, 2025

Louisville, Kentucky

Our Beaver-Butler Presbytery Youth Coordinator will register youth for the conference.

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

Jefferson Center Church, Saxonburg

THE PRESBYTERY OFFICE

Regular Office Hours

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

2025 Holiday Schedule

New Year's Day...January 1
Martin Luther King Day...January 20
President's Day...February 17
Memorial Day...May 26
Juneteenth...June 19
Independence Day...July 3
Labor Day...September 1

2025 Presbytery Meetings

Saturday, January 25, 10 a.m.

Lunch
Old Union, Mars

Tuesday, March 25, 6 p.m.

Glade Run, Valencia

Tuesday, May 27, 6 p.m.

Crestview Community, Callery

Veterans' Day...November 11
Thanksgiving Day...November 27
Christmas Eve...December 24
Christmas Day...December 25
Christmas Week...December 26-29

Tuesday, July 29, 6 p.m.
Vanport at Vanport with Park, Beaver

Tuesday, September 23, 4 p.m.
Dinner
TBA

Tuesday, November 18, 6 p.m.
Ohio United, Aliquippa

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Presbytery Weekly Update

To share announcements and news or to add names to the mailing list,
contact ChrisAnn at chrisanngoossen@beaverbutler.org. To access back issues,
go to beaverbutler.org/weekly-update-e-newsletter/.

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