



Churches around the Presbytery of Lackawanna are packing up the summer months with picnics and a few last vacation days while they also busily prepare for rally days and back-to-school themed activities for those returning to church and school classrooms.

How does your church reach out to children in your congregations and communities as they prepare for the school year? What's your church school plan?

Whether you're sticking to routine or trying something new, inquiring presbytery minds want to know! We will share your projects in a special edition of 2018-19 school-daze ideas! Respond today to PoLackawanna.office@gmail.com.

We'll be watching for your e-mails. Meanwhile, here's what else is on the calendar...

Around the Presbytery:

SEPTEMBER 2 - Annual Jazz Communion Service and 25th Anniversary of Presbybop Quartet, 10:00 AM, FPC Clarks Summit

SEPTEMBER 8 - Flea Market and Bake Sale at Germania Hose Co in Duryea, 9:00 AM-1:00 PM, for 2nd PC Pittston

SEPTEMBER 9 - 17th Annual FPC Hawley Golf Tournament and Family Fun Day, Woodloch Springs Country Club, Hawley, events begin at 1:00 PM, info and registration at ressacampbell@hotmail.com.

SEPTEMBER 12 - *You Can Help*, 15-minute CPR/AED course (non-certification), 7:00-7:45 PM slots, The Institute at FUPC West Pittston/Wyoming, registration necessary at communityconnectionswp@gmail.com

SEPTEMBER 16 - *Meet-and-Greet Brent Eelman!* Folks from ALL area churches invited to meet our Acting Transitional General Presbyter, 11:00 AM reception at FPC Montrose

SEPTEMBER 22 - Family Bowling Night and Basket Raffle at Chacko's Bowling Center, 5:30-7:30 PM, for 2nd PC Pittston, reservations 570-654-1411

SEPTEMBER 22 - Save the date! Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Lackawanna at Camp Lackawanna, 9:00 AM-2:00 PM, Details coming soon.

SEPTEMBER 23 - Pasta Dinner and Basket Raffle to benefit Infant Care Program, dine-in or takeout, 12:00 PM-4:00 PM, Covenant PC in Scranton, tickets at 570-346-6400

SEPTEMBER 30 - *Meet-and-Greet Brent Eelman!* Folks from ALL area churches are invited to meet our Acting Transitional General Presbyter, 12:15 PM reception at Wysox PC

OCTOBER 7 - *Meet-and-Greet Brent Eelman!* Folks from ALL area churches are invited to meet our Acting Transitional General Presbyter, 12:00 PM reception at FPC Carbondale. (*Our Stated Clerk will also be available for Session Minute reviews.*)

OCTOBER 13 - Presbyterian Women gathering, FPC Nicholson, 9:30 AM

OCTOBER 14 - *Meet-and-Greet Brent Eelman!* Folks from ALL area churches are invited to meet our Acting Transitional General Presbyter, 12:00 PM reception at the Presbyterian Churches of West Pittston and Wyoming at 40 Institute Street, Wyoming. (*Our Stated Clerk will also be available for Session Minute reviews.*)

OCTOBER 21 - 125th Anniversary Service, Second Presbyterian Church of Pittston, 11:00 AM

NOVEMBER 17 - Save the date! Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Lackawanna at FPC Hawley

JULY 16-20, 2019 - *Here's My Heart*, Presbyterian Youth Triennium, [LETTER ATTACHED](#) FOR ALL CHURCHES from LP Triennium coordinator Martha Jordan.

From Our Friends and Neighbors:

September 8 - Explore Wyoming County Nature Hike, 9:00 AM, Endless Mountains Nature Center at Camp Lackawanna, Tunkhannock

September 10-October 6 - *Living Prayer: The Spirituality of Everyday Liturgy*, online, Columbia Theological Seminary, ctsnet.edu/events

September 13 - *Poverty and Poor People's Organizing*, discussion series, Center and Library for the Bible and Social Justice at Stony Point Center, Stony Point, NY, stonypointcenter.org

September 24-26 - *How Does Gratitude Transform the Face of Generosity?* Stewardship Kaleidoscope Conference featuring Diana Butler Bass, St. Louis, MO, stewardshipkaleidoscope.org

September 24-26 - *Finding What You Didn't Lose: Women at Mid-Life Who Seek to Let Their Lives Speak with Integrity and Intention*, Kirkridge Retreat Center, Bangor, PA, kirkridge.org

September 25 - Disaster Response Training by Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Church on the Mall, Plymouth Meeting, PA, 9:00 AM-4:00 PM, register at syntrinity.org/PDA

October 17 - Disaster Response Training by Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Crestfield Camp, Slippery Rock, PA, 9:00 AM-4:00 PM, register at syntrinity.org/PDA

November 4 - *Big Church Night Out*, Mohegan Sun Arena, Wilkes-Barre Twp., 6:00 PM

Notes from Home:

CHURCH OF THE WEEK: Mountain Top Presbyterian Church. *Please keep them in your prayers.*

TEAM SERVICE OPPORTUNITY: The Presbytery Nominations Team is seeking members of our churches who are interested in expanding their church activities and fellowship by getting involved in the work of the presbytery. Click [HERE](#) for a form describing our teams and ready to fill in and submit to Nominations.

CHURCH SECRETARY NEEDED: FUPC West Pittston is seeking a 15-hour/week secretary. E-mail Dan Klaproth at klaproth4@verizon.net for a job description and other details.

CALENDAR:

Congregational Resource Team, Thursday, August 23, 4:30 PM, Perkins in Tunkhannock

OFFICE:

Please call before visiting our office, because our schedule can vary, especially in the summer. We will check and answer voice-mail and e-mail as soon as possible.

As your fall planning begins, please remember to send event invitations to be posted in the E-News.

Contact Marge at

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