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Headlines for new items will be in green and highlighted. Newer items will tend to be toward the top of the Breeze.

Headlines for old items will be in red.

*Upcoming Events

- ❖ Tuesday, June 26, 3:00 PM, Presbytery Meeting, Erie Wayside
- ❖ All upcoming events can be found on the Presbytery websites [Calendar](#)

*RESOURCE CENTER REVIEW

Activate, revised and expanded edition: An Entirely New Approach to Small

Groups
Searcy, Nelson,
Thomas, Kerrick
& Henson,
Jennifer Dykes

Is your church not even sure how to begin forming a small group? Or do you already meet, but you've had mixed results? Here is the

latest front line research from the innovative Journey Church—debunking a host of misconceptions, showcasing its stories, and jammed with successful practical strategies. Activate offers surprising answers to questions such as: How do I get 100% of my church involved in small groups? How do I recruit and train enough small group leaders? How long should a small group last? How big should a small group be? What is a good structure for small group ministry? How do I get small groups involved in serving and evangelism?

The Resource Center is staffed



“Empowered and guided by the Holy Spirit through Scripture, our confessions, and conscience the Presbytery of Lake Erie journeys with congregations, ruling elders and teaching elders as we live, grow, fellowship and witness to the work of God through Jesus Christ in today’s changing world. Recognizing that we are called to serve all of God’s children, we do this through shared prayer, worship, training, evangelism, and mission to strengthen the dynamic Body of Christ.”

*Peace and Global Witness Offering

The Peace and Global Witness Offering is one of the four offerings received across the Presbyterian Church (USA). It is an offering directed at intentional peace efforts. The actual offering is divided three ways – 25% retained by the local congregation for building peace in your community; 25% retained by your presbytery; and 50% used at the denominational level to build bridges of understanding and peace. In 2017 a total of twelve churches participated in this offering. And the leaders:

* In per person giving the leading contributor was Harmonsburg at \$4.83 per member; followed by Garland, Tionesta and Hartstown.

*In total giving the leading contributor was Harborcreek at \$196.50; followed by Warren, First Covenant and North East.

Congratulations on your peace building efforts in your community, your presbytery and your denomination!

Congratulations to Graduates in Our Pastor’s Families!!

It’s graduation time! And you are invited to pray with pastors and commissioned pastors as their children enter new chapters in their lives.

***Ben Fugate**, son of Rev. David and Amy Fugate, is completing his high school career at McDowell High School this spring. He has been an active member of Church of the Cross, including serving on their recent Pastor Nominating Committee. Ben will continue his studies in chemical engineering at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland.

***Zach Gillispie**, son of Rev. Greg and Marcia Gillispie, is completing his high school career at Venango Catholic High School. Zach is student body president, and he is producer and anchor of the school's daily video newscast. He will be attending Grove City College in the fall where he will be pursuing Communication Studies.

***Evelyn Daugherty**, daughter of Commissioned Pastor Patti Orton Kuna and Kevin Daugherty, is graduating from North East High School where she has been active in several activities. She will continue her education at Columbia College in Chicago where she will study film and cinematography.

*If there are other high schools, college or graduate school graduates among

Monday & Tuesday, 9 a.m.– 1 p.m. and is open Wednesday and Thursday, 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. It is located in Elmwood Avenue Presbyterian Church, 2816 Elmwood Avenue, Erie. Phone: 814 868-4891 ext. 5; Email: elaine@pbylakeerie.org Stop in or check online on the Presbytery website to find something to suit your needs.

Coordinating Committee and Presbytery meetings for 2018:

For planning purposes the Coordinating Committee and Presbytery meetings have been announced for 2017:

Coordinating Committee meetings

Tuesday, August 28, 3pm, TBA

Tuesday, October 30, 3pm, Port Allegany

Presbytery meetings

Tuesday, June 26, 3pm, Wayside, Erie

Saturday, September 29, 10am, Oil City Second

Saturday, November 17, 10am, Fairview, Church of The Cross

***Prayers for Your Colleagues in Ministry**

I Thessalonians 5:17 encourage believers to 'pray without ceasing.' In your unceasing prayers for others you are encouraged to pray for your colleagues in Lake Erie Presbytery as well as beyond. The eNews this year will carry the prayer list which has also been distributed to the churches of this presbytery. Pray without ceasing for these partners in ministry.

June 24
Oil City, First
Rev. Ronee Christy, Pastor
Rev. Greg Gillispie
Stated Clerk, Presbytery of Lake Erie

July 1
Emmanuel, Erie
Rev. Rick Cepris, Pastor
Rev. Sue Montgomery (HR)
Rev. James Moelk (HR)

July 8
Girard
Rev. Nicola Vitiello, Pastor
Rev. Harvey Boal (HR)

***Prayer Concerns**

- Rev. Ellie Johns-Kelley,



pastor families, please provide the information to the presbytery office in order that they might be recognized in the eNews.

***Attention Pastors and Congregational Leaders!**

Do you want to know what is happening at General Assembly this year? When GA 223 meets in St. Louis June 16-23, the General Assembly Newsroom will publish the GA Newspaper every day. Subscription is easy and FREE! Just follow [this link](#) to sign up.

***Preschool Classroom Tables Available**

Does your church have a preschool? Student desks suitable for preschoolers are available on a first come, first served basis. In two weeks, they will be discarded. If you are interested, please call Craig Carlson at: 814-897-2100 ext. 1652.

Vacation Bible School

Let us help spread the word about your upcoming VBS. Share with us the dates, time and curriculum/theme. We will keep a list going in the eNews. [Click Here](#) to see what is currently being offered.

Free Resources!

The Resource Center will have dozens of free resources - books and some DVD's - available at the Presbytery meeting at Wayside Presbyterian Church on Tuesday, June 26.

Planning Calendars

The Presbytery office was planning on placing an order for the new planning calendars. However, when doing so we found out that they had to reprint the calendars do to an error. It will be a few weeks before they will be able to ship them out. Once they are in we will let those who ordered them know. Thank you for your understanding.

Wayside Annual Rummage Sale

Wayside Church, 1208 Asbury Rd, Erie PA will be holding their annual rummage sale. Friday June 22 from 8 to 1 and Saturday June 23rd 8 to 11 and 11 to 1 will be the bag sale.

Stewardship Kaleidoscope

Transforming the Face of Generosity: will take place September 24-26 at the Hilton St Louis Frontenac. An event filled with keynote speakers, workshops, and worship experiences to renew your spirit. [Click Here](#) for more information and registration. The Mission and Social Witness Committee have \$300 scholarships available for those interested in attending the event. Please contact the office for more information.

Action Alert

PCUSA Office of Public Witness call to action, Tell Congress: 70 years of suffering is enough! Stop the killing, hold Israel accountable, and support human rights for all. Read the complete article [here](#).

Food Service Manager Needed at Camp Lambec

Camp Lambec in East Springfield is seeking a seasonal food service manager, late June through early August to plan menu for five weeks of summer camp

and her husband Eric, welcomed the birth of their daughter Karoline Evelyn Kelley on May 9. She weighed 8 pounds, 10 ounces and is 19 inches long. Mother and daughter (and dad!) are doing well! Karoline joins her older sister in their family. Ellie is the regional representative for the Presbyterian Foundation, and a minister member of Lake Erie Presbytery. Congratulations!

- Pray for the continuing conversations around racism and violence that the power of God might be brought to these difficult conversations.
- Pray for wisdom to engage radical missional thought in each of our communities. The time to act for the Kingdom of God is NOW!

*In Memory:

- Ruling Elder Joanne McDowell, Second Church, Oil City, died on June 11. A service to honor her life was held on June 16. Joanne, who had grown up in the church, had served as the Clerk of Session for a number of years for her congregation. She had a great passion for the ministry of the congregation.
- Sandy Janaszek died and entered the church eternal on May 5. Sandy, a member of the North Shenango Church, had also volunteered many times as the camp nurse at Westminster Highlands. Her husband, Fran, has been a long time member of the Camps Board. A service to honor Sandy's life is being held on May 11 in Meadville.



Please note: The presbytery office is seeking to complete a significant overhaul of the eNews.

1. If you do not receive the eNews please contact adminasst@pbylakeerie.org. We will make every effort to update/correct the oversight.
2. If you know of someone who you believe should be receiving this eNews you are encouraged to invite them to send along

programming, placing food orders, preparing meals and training seasonal staff to assist. Camp sessions run Sunday evening through Friday evening. Benefits include salary, meals, on site housing available. Prior food service experience preparing meals for groups of 25-100, safe serve certified or able to be certified, able to practice Christian hospitality.

For more information or to submit a resume, please email Randall Clow, President of the CAPNWP Board of Directors. revclow@comcast.net (724) 378-3751

Camp Lambec Needs Your Help

In the summer of 2016 it became necessary to shut down the water system at Camp Lambec. Since then the Camp Board has been working with the Department of Environmental Protection to reconfigure the piping from the pond (the permitted water source). This project is estimated to cost \$100,000. Your presbytery wants to partner with your congregation to help, as well as double your money. On April 24 your presbytery voted to match dollar-for-dollar, up to \$5,000, any money that is given by Lake Erie Presbytery churches now through August 31st. If your church would like to make a donation please mark the gift as 'Lambec water project' and send to the presbytery office. Of course the more money received the better it will be! Your gifts make a difference!

Habitat Summer Build

The Greater Erie Area Habitat for Humanity 'faith build' this summer will be the House of Renewal. The build will take place from June 5-23. Things will be a little bit different this year as this is a rehab project and we will work only half-days during the week (Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday) and either half- or full-days on each Saturday of the build. If you know of individuals or groups within your church that are interested, please pass the word along. To reserve work slots please contact the Habitat Office (454-7025) as soon as possible; as of today about half the slots are already filled.

Montreat Youth Conferences

The Presbytery of Lake Erie is taking groups to the Montreat Youth (high school youth currently in grades 8-12) Conference July 7-14 (held at the Montreat Conference Center in Montreat, NC) and the Montreat Middle School (youth currently in grades 5-8) Conference July 17-22 (held at Maryville College in Maryville, TN). A registration form can be found below as an attachment. For more information, including cost, please contact Katherine Randall (revkatherinerandall@gmail.com or 814-558-4453). Even if you have just one youth, we'd love for them to join us! For more information; <http://www.montreat.org/attend/youth-young-adults/> and <https://www.youtube.com/montreatdotorg>.

*Nickleville use of "Seed Money"

Nickleville Presbyterian Church reached out to a local 4H group. They used the \$214 in "Seed Money" to help fund the 4H Electrotech Robotics Team. Encouraging kids' growth in technology knowledge in an ever changing world.

Seed Money put to good use at Pleasantville

Pleasantville Presbyterian Church used the "Seed Money" of \$214 to reach out to the youth in the community. They purchased sports equipment for the Pathway Adolescent Center.

their email address.

3. If you no longer desire to receive the eNews please inform Melinda and she will remove your name from the list.

Thank you for your patience as we seek to undergo this upgrade.

Please remember to visit our website at:

<http://www.pbylakeerie.org>



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*If your church has not been featured please share your story with the Presbytery office. We love hearing about the great things the churches have been doing with their "Seed Money"

Mission and Per Capita Report

To read the May report [Click Here](#)

Synod of the Trinity

The latest eNews for the Synod of the Trinity is available. [June 14th Enews](#)

You can also email Mike Givler at mgivler@syntrinity.org to be added to the eNews list. [Job Opportunities around the Synod](#)

***Association of Presbyterian Church Educators**

Weekly newsletter from the APCE: [Visual Faith and the Bible Project](#) is available online. Click above link to receive the eNews. It's not just a great resource for spiritual formation leaders but for anyone looking to strengthen ones faith.

Presbyterian Historical Society

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