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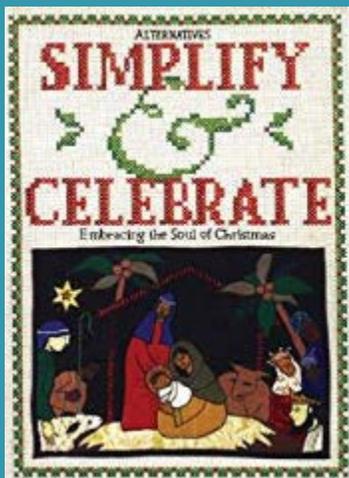
## \*Upcoming Events

- ❖ November 15, 9:15 AM, Missional Church conversations, Corry
- ❖ November 17, 10:00 AM, Presbytery meeting, Church of the Cross, Erie
- ❖ December 6, 10:00 AM, Worship Committee, Conference call
- ❖ December 13, 8:30 AM, Venango pastor's gathering, Oil City, First
- ❖ December 13, Erie County Pastor's luncheon
- ❖ January 3, 9:30 AM, Warren/McKean/Potter County pastor's gathering, First Church, Warren
- ❖ January 3, 1:00 PM, Nominating Committee, First Church, Meadville
- ❖ All upcoming events can be found on the Presbytery websites [Calendar](#)

## \*RESOURCE CENTER REVIEW

Simplify and Celebrate Embracing the Soul of Christmas

Celebrate Christmas with your heart. Simplify and Celebrate is for all those people who know they want to simplify their Christmas celebration, but don't know where to begin. Simple



"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."

## Educator of The Year Keith Sundberg

The Presbytery of Lake Erie and the APCE is pleased to announce the selection of Keith D. Sundberg as the 2019 ENRICH Educator of the Year. Keith will be recognized and his ministry celebrated on Friday, February 8, at the Awards Celebration Dinner during the **2019 Annual Event in Galveston, Texas**. Also during the Awards Dinner, APCE will present the SUSTAIN, EMPOWER and CONNECT Awards and recognize Educator Certification recipients. For more information and to register for the Annual Event, click [here](#). Please also check out the link below for the APCE Newsletter featuring Keith. Congratulations Keith and thank you for all that you do for our youth.

## Clerks Annual Questionnaire

Just a friendly reminder that the Annual Questionnaire is due November 15<sup>th</sup>. This can be completed online or mailed in. These questionnaires are a way to help the presbyteries and the national denomination be better informed about what is happening at the grass roots, and how to be more helpful to the local church. If you need help please call Melinda in the office.

## \*6th Annual Everyone Wins Used Toy Sale

The Utica Presbyterian Church will be hosting the "6th Annual Everyone Wins Used Toy Sale" on Saturday December 1st at the Galloway United Methodist Church in Franklin. The regular sale will be from 9AM until 12PM. From 12 to 1PM all toys will be half price. We will be closed from 1 to 2PM for lunch. At 2PM, the doors will open once again and all toys will be FREE! Anyone who needs them will be able to come and get toys free of charge, without filling out any applications or meeting income requirements. At 3PM, the doors will be closed and any remaining toys will be donated to local charities. **TOY DONATIONS NEEDED!!!** Any new or gently used toys, sports equipment, books, games, and puzzles, will be gratefully accepted at the Galloway church Thursday November 29th from 4 - 8PM and Friday November 30th from 12 - 8PM. **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!** Volunteers are needed during donation hours to sort and price toys. We will be there Friday

ideas for creating meaningful family traditions with your kids, Advent rituals, prayers and reflections, and ideas for gift-giving that reflect your values and don't cost the earth. This year, plan and celebrate a Christmas that's full of the joy and peace of the season.

The Resource Center is staffed 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](mailto: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 2018:

Coordinating Committee meetings 2019 to be announced

### Presbytery meetings

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.

Nov. 18  
Corry  
Commissioned Pastor Dan McEldowney  
Rev. David Lee (HR)

Nov. 25  
Cooperstown  
Commissioned Pastor Diane Whitman  
Rev. John Dietz  
Moderator of the Coordinating Committee

### **\*In Memory:**

- Presbyterian Pastor Rev. Eugene Peterson, age 85, entered the church eternal on October 22. Best known

evening until all the toys are ready to go. Any amount of time spent volunteering is greatly appreciated! The proceeds for this toy sale will benefit the Venango County Family Service and Children's Aid Society Shelter for Domestic and Sexual Abuse.

For further questions please call Brandy 814.720.9018 or Jeanne 814.428.1737 or Tina 814.720.7590.

### **\*Fairview Church Craft Show**

Fairview Presbyterian Church, 4264 Avonia Road, Fairview, is hosting a Craft show on Saturday, November 17, 10 am – 4 pm. Come shop for the holidays! 28 Vendors/Crafters, Chinese Auction, 50/50, Baked Goods & Food Sale! Proceeds will go to the Youth Group and the 2020 Belize Trip.

### **2019 Terms of Call**

The 2019 Terms of Call are available on the Presbytery Website. You can find them under "Resources" "Annual Reporting Information" You will find the Minimum Terms of call for 2019 as well as the Worksheets needed based on your pastoral leadership. If you have any questions please call Melinda in the Presbytery office.

### **Presbytery Website**

More and more information is being added to the Presbytery Website. You can find out about happenings around the Presbytery, Committee Policies, and forms for the upcoming year. Please take the time to check it out.

[www.pbylakeerie.org](http://www.pbylakeerie.org)

### **What is happening at your Church**

Do you have something exciting going on at your church that you would like to share with the Presbytery? We would like to highlight what you and your congregation are doing. Do have a rummage sale, a special dinner, maybe a movie night open to the community? Has your church started a new community project? Please share these with Melinda in the office, [adminasst@pbylakeerie.org](mailto:adminasst@pbylakeerie.org). Let's put the weekly eNews to good use sharing all the amazing things that the Presbytery of Lake Erie have to offer.

### **The Simple things in Life**

People and the way of life have made several advances throughout the life of the Presbytery. Each church as well, deciding for their congregation what fits their needs and budget. Endeavor Presbyterian Church has been working hard on one of those. After much time the project is complete. The first running water and Restroom in the church in its 120 year history! Congratulations on a job well done.

### **Young Adult Volunteer Applications Open**

Spread the word! Applications for the 2019-20 Young Adult Volunteer (YAV) program open Oct. 1. All sites available. The YAV program is an ecumenical, faith-based year of service for young people, ages 19-30. Volunteers accompany local agencies faithfully working to address root causes of poverty and reconciliation. YAVs serve during the academic year, August to July. Help plants seeds of service and share!

### **Mission and Per Capita Report**

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

for his paraphrase of the Bible titled 'The Message', he also wrote numerous other books. His legacy touches many lives through his writing and speaking.



- **A Time of Sadness...**

As friends and colleagues of Rev. Rick Cepris and his wife Lyn, you are invited to pray with them in a time of sadness. Rick's son, Fred, died during the night of September 4. He was 39.

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](mailto: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 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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## \*Newsletter of Interests

### Spiritual Formation Committee

Presbytery of Lake Erie Spiritual Formation Committee is seeking to get more information out to the Presbytery. Please contact Keith Sundberg, [keith@wayside-erie.org](mailto:keith@wayside-erie.org), if you would like to be added to the email list.

## \*Synod of the Trinity

The latest eNews for the Synod of the Trinity is available. [November 9th Enews](#) You can also email Mike Givler at [mgivler@syntrinity.org](mailto: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: [Presbyterian Older Adult Ministries Network](#) 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.

### Ruth Brown Ghana Newsletter

[Click here](#) for the recent newsletter. If you would like to receive her newsletters please contact Melinda Wingenbach ([adminasst@pbylakeerie.org](mailto:adminasst@pbylakeerie.org)) in the presbytery office and she will add your name to the list!

## \*Josh Heikkila Newsletter

Josh continues to be a valuable member of our Lake Erie Ghana Partnership. If you would like to support his ministry or receive his newsletters, check out this PCUSA Mission website.

<https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/missionconnections/the-rev-joshua-heikkila/>

### Presbyterian Historical Society

Check out the latest eNews from the historical Society [here](#). If you haven't signed up to receive this eNews you can [Subscribe Here](#)

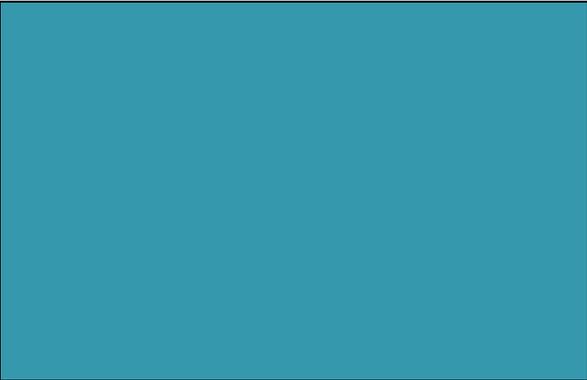
### This Weeks PCUSA News

Would you like to receive this eNews? [Click Here to Subscribe](#)

## \*Prayer Concerns

- Rev. Anita Bernhardt began serving Emmanuel Presbyterian Church
- Our friend in Ghana, Josh Heikkila, has a birthday this week, Nov 15th. Here is his email if you would like to wish him a Happy Birthday and let him know you are thinking of him. [josh.heikkila@gmail.com](mailto:josh.heikkila@gmail.com).
- Elmwood Avenue Presbyterian Church administrative assistant Gail Giacomelli fell on November 2 and broke a vertebrae requiring surgery. Please pray for a successful and speedy recovery.
- A young man, Brandon, member of Corry First, is in critical condition in Morgantown WVA hospital. Something was found in the brain. His son, Sawyer, is 1 year old, and his wife Shelby is pregnant with





their second child. Please pray for the family.

- Rev. Keith Sundberg and wife Barb, Presbytery Bookkeeper, welcomed their 8<sup>th</sup> grandchild on October 17<sup>th</sup>. Josephine Susan came into this world at 9 lbs. 9oz. Baby and mom are home resting. 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!