



Our Mission:

To identify and strengthen leaders so that every congregation makes new and mature disciples for Jesus Christ.

A Word from Beth-El

The folks at Beth-El are looking for some help with their youth ministry. If you're wondering what you can do for them, please take a couple of minutes to listen to some of the Beth-El staff describe what they're looking for and see if you know of anyone who might be a match for them:



If you or someone you know might be interested in youth ministry at Beth-El, please contact their Executive, Kathy Dain at kathy@beth-el.org.

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As usual, please check out the other news and resources below, and if you have a joy, concern, resource or just something you want to share, please let me know!

In Christ,

Rev. Dave Baker,
Stated Clerk and Director of Communications
Presbytery of Tampa Bay



News From Around the Presbytery

Presbytery Meeting Summary

Thanks to everyone who was at Presbytery! Below you'll find a summary of that meeting if you were unable to attend.

[Summary of Stated Presbytery Meeting, May 18th, 2017](#)

Additionally, several of you asked for a link to the video that was shared by Clifton Kirkpatrick during the Keynote:



The Confession of Belhar and the
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

As well as the video that he shared during the Breakout (49 minutes to 1 hour 9 minutes 30 seconds in):



Finally, I also had a request to include the books mentioned during this breakout:

[Waking Up White and Finding Myself in the Story of Race](#)

(don't miss the [Co-Moderator's Study Guide](#))

[Dear White Christians](#)

[Hillbilly Elegy](#)

[America's Original Sin](#)

DAY CAMP 2017
BRANCHING OUT



Cedarkirk Camp & Conference Center is thrilled to partner with
Peace Memorial Presbyterian Church to bring an exciting
week of day camp to your backyard!

We are bringing camp to you! That means your camper has five days to laugh, run, play, sing, make friends, build community, learn about God, grow deeper in his or her faith, be challenged - physically and spiritually, and have the most fun they can possibly have in one week of camp.

Our nurturing and energetic counseling staff will shepherd your camper and their small-group through a week of BRANCHING OUT! During engaging and developmentally-appropriate activities and discussions, campers will explore how we are connected to one another - and to God - through Christ.

Each day's scripture focus will encourage campers to use prayer, relationships, family, and more to stay connected to God and to their communities throughout their lives. Campers will participate in large and small group games, complete arts & crafts projects, sing camp songs, learn about our world and how to care for it, and feel loved and valued as individuals and as part of a community of faith.

We can't wait to share camp with you this summer!

July 17-21, 2017

8:30 AM - 5:00 PM

110 S. Ft Harrison Ave., Clearwater, FL 33756

Registration forms are on the www.peacememorial.org website along with a schedule of events, handbook and a copy of the camp curriculum.

\$70.00/1 child

\$100/2 children

\$115/family maximum

Call Pastor Dawn with questions [\(727\) 446-3001](tel:7274463001).

First Presbyterian Church Celebrating 50 years on Beach Drive



First Presbyterian Church moved into its Sanctuary at 701 Beach Drive NE in St. Petersburg on May 28, 1967.

Close to 1,000 (if not more) people processed to Beach Drive from the old church at the corner of 3rd St. and 4th Ave. North. The then St. Petersburg Times covered the procession with a full-page photograph on the front of the religion section. Nice photos [here](#).

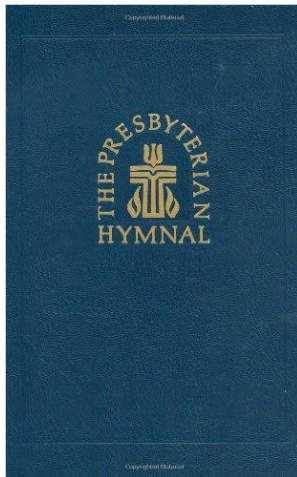
FPC is having a celebration of that event on **Sunday, May 28, at 10:00 a.m.** with several of the original processors making a much shorter walk around the perimeter of the sanctuary, a reception and displays of the building process. The building was designed by Harold E. Wagoner, a well regarded church architect. Feel free to join them!

The worshipping community of Beth-El would like to add Christian banners to its worship space. If your church or congregation has a banner, vestments or other worship supplies that you would like to donate, please contact Kathy@beth-el.org. Gracias!

Kathy

Rev. Kathleen Dain
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www.beth-el.org

100 Free Blue Hymnals



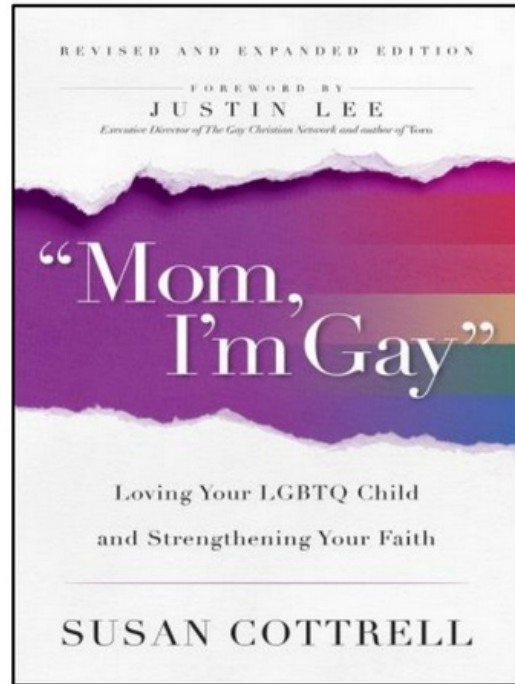
[St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, New Port Richey Campus](#) has 100 Blue PC(USA) Hymnals available for free!

They apparently have other stuff to give away as well, so if you're interested, please reach out to Joyce Cain at joyce@sapcd.org, or call her at (813) 732 3131.

CCV West is Looking for a Volunteer

The West Region Commission on Church Vitality (CCV) would like to pay for someone in the West Region to be trained as a grant writer, with the expectation that this person would be available to our congregations to help them seek grants. They would pay for a course which St Petersburg College offers online. Contact Chair Micki Robinson at mickirobinson@tampabay.rr.com if you're interested.

Parents of LGBTQ Children Speaker Coming Trinity Clearwater



Contact: Pastor Andy Walton - andy.trinityclearwater@gmail.com

Contact: Susan Cottrell - FreedHearts@gmail.com

Do you have an LGBTQ child or loved one? Are you part of the LGBTQ community? Is this an important issue to you? Susan Cottrell, the prominent voice for faith parents of LGBTQ children, is coming to speak at Trinity Clearwater Presbyterian Church on June 4th at 10:30 a.m. during Sunday morning worship.

Susan is an international speaker, author and spiritual director. Through her nonprofit organization-FreedHearts-Susan champions the LGBTQ community and families with her characteristic tender-heartedness, and she zealously challenges Christians who reject them with her wise insistence that love-of God and others- is the foundation of faith.

She spent 25 years in the nonaffirming Evangelical church, has a Master of Arts in Theological Studies from Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, served as the Vice-President of PFLAG Austin (Texas), and was recently featured in an exposé on controversial reparative therapy, appearing on ABC's 20/20, *Nightline* and *Good Morning America*.

Her books *"Mom, I'm Gay"-Loving Your LGBTQ Child and Strengthening Your Faith* (published by Westminster John Knox Press), and *True Colors - Celebrating the Truth and Beauty of the Real You*, have been endorsed by The Human Rights Campaign, PFLAG, The Gay Christian Network and many others. Susan has five children, two of whom are in the LGBTQ community.

"Every day, gay youth and adults are kicked out of homes and churches - in the name of God - but the truth is that it has absolutely nothing to do with God." said Cottrell. "It's time to reclaim our faith. It's time to defend, love and stand up for those who have been condemned, rejected and shamed. I am fully affirming

because of my faith, not in spite of it!"

Loving Your LGBTQ Child and Strengthening Your Faith

Installation of Eneyas Freitas at Northeast PC

The Presbytery will install Rev. Dr. Eneyas Freitas as Pastor of [Northeast Presbyterian Church](#) during a worship on Sunday June 4th at 10:30 am. A reception will follow. Minister members of the Presbytery are especially encouraged to attend (if available) to welcome your new colleague in mission and ministry!

Children's Furniture is available in Dunedin for free





We have 12 small and 12 very small wooden chairs, along with four fixed-leg wooden tables that First Presbyterian Dunedin is offering to donate. If you are interested, please contact our Church Administrator Donna Dayock at [727-733-2318](tel:727-733-2318) to arrange a pick up time.

Mission Interest



FLORIDA PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE NETWORK (FLAPDAN)

In Partnership with Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PCUSA)



Kathy Broyard, Emergency Management Specialist • 941-483-0675 • fla.pdan@pcusa.org

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE... Did You Know?

Florida is very blessed to have several members of the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) National Response Team and National Volunteer Team residing within our presbyteries. These volunteers are part of a 102 member team dedicated to serving wherever and whenever needed in response to disasters.

PDA Team Members in Florida:

Pat Ashley, Tropical Florida
 Kathy Broyard, St. Augustine*
 Jim Cummings, Tampa Bay
 Lynnette Kennison, St. Augustine
 Dale Martin, St. Augustine
 Robert McCrary, St. Augustine
 Jim Pellot, St. Augustine*
 Bill Welch, Central Florida*
 Bruce Wismer, Peace River*

Recently Retired from the PDA Team:
Milton Fulton, St. Augustine*
Rick Miller, Central Florida*

Former Volunteers, now PDA Staff:
Jim Kirk, Peace River*
Laurie Kraus, Tropical Florida

** denotes current or former Florida PDA Network (FLAPDAN) members*

2017 PDA Meeting Summary

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) annual meeting was held in Atlanta, April 21 - 24. Members of the volunteer National Response Team (NRT) and National Volunteer Team gathered to expand the team's knowledge of disaster ministries and response.

PDA members receive training throughout the year in areas such as natural and human-caused disasters, emotional and spiritual care, church damage, post-disaster volunteer work force housing, long-term community rebuilding, and refugee and immigration in disaster response.

In addition, in Atlanta, volunteers participated in sessions dealing with racism and privilege, and suicide awareness. Guest speakers from Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), and Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD), a consortium of groups that respond during disasters were featured. PDA is made up of 102 clergy and lay members representing 34 states and Puerto Rico. NRT members commit to 1 month of service annually. In 2016, national volunteers spent approximately 2,377 days in 62 presbyteries in response to church damage, floods, hurricanes, tornadoes, wildfires, storms, human caused disasters and in the refugee ministry.

PDA enables congregations and mission partners of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) to witness the healing love of Christ through caring for communities adversely affected by crises and catastrophic events. The organization gratefully receives support through your **One Great Hour of Sharing** donations.



Presbyterian Women's May Newsletter

In case you missed it, here's the
[Presbyterian Women's May Newsletter.](#)



Beth-El News

In case you missed it, here is Beth-El's [May Newsletter](#).

Upcoming Workshops

ACS Core School
June 19 - 22, 2017



a solution of
ACS Technologies.



St. Mary's Episcopal Church
4311 W San Miguel St
Tampa, FL 33629

Register by: [May 31](#)

Come join us!

We are excited to offer you an [ACS Core School](#) near you! Don't miss out on this opportunity to get core training for you and your staff. Our ACS Core Schools are great for new clients, new staff members, or just to get a refresher on the products you already own and use. Laptops are provided so you will get a hands-on learning experience.

The ACS Core School will be led by an ACS certified trainer demonstrating the use of the software.

Day 1: People 1 - Managing families and individuals

Day 2: People 2 - Searches, Reports, and Exports

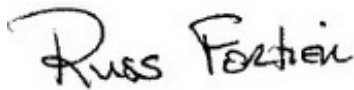
Day 3: Involvement - Using groups effectively

Day 4: Connecting with your community and beyond

Join us for just \$149 per person, per day!

[register now](#)

Thank you for being a valued ACS Technologies client and we look forward to seeing you soon!



Training and Implementation Manager

Big Tent

Register TODAY!
pcusa.org/bigtent



BIG TENT

Race, Reconciliation, Reformation
July 6-8, 2017
Washington University
St. Louis, MO

- Workshops
- Worship
- Holy Conversations in St. Louis Churches*
- Bible Study
- Engaging Plenary
- Great Accommodations
- GREAT VALUE

Reverend Dr. J. Herbert Nelson, II
Stated Clerk of the General Assembly,
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)



Preaching Opening Worship

Rev. Christine J. Hong, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor of Educational Ministry
Columbia Theological Seminary



Preaching Closing Worship

We invite you to join Presbyterians from around the country at Big Tent. This year's theme will emphasize the hope of the Gospel and its power to transform society in our cultural context, marked by anxiety, racial division, political animosity, and economic inequality. Join one another, and engage the Church in its mission of justice-making and peace.

pcusa.org/bigtent 

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Click here for more [info](#).

Mediation Skills Training Institute



Mediation Skills Training Institute for Church Leaders (Oct.2-6, 2017, Lakeland, FL)

Whether in the home, school, community, church or workplace conflict is an inevitable part of life. Having the skills to function effectively in emotionally intense, conflicted situations is important for all of us, especially those of us who are leaders. The Lombard Mennonite Peace Center has trained hundred of church leaders from a wide range of denominations in the skills that are needed to deal with conflict in the church setting through its Mediation Skills Training Institute. The Mediation Skills Training Institute equips people for working in various conflicted situations, including church disputes.

Participants learn about:

- Biblical foundations-finding renewal in conflict.
- Individual styles of response to conflict.
- Win-win negotiation skills.
- Skills to mediate conflict between individuals.
- Tools to effectively manage congregational conflict.
- Skills for serving as an outside consultant to conflicted churches.

The institute includes lectures, discussion, and guided practice in role-plays. Active and practical in focus, the sessions emphasize hands-on skills training and real-life role-plays based on the kinds of conflicts faced by participants.

You can view the [brochure](#) here, or [register online](#) (it's a little cheaper to register via mail using the brochure).

2017 National Gathering: Living, Dying, Rising



Living, Dying, Rising, the 1001 New Worshipping Communities annual conference, outlines the story of the life of Christ and also the life of the church. Through the Holy Spirit, the church is freed from fear and invited to journey confidently into new territory as missionaries of shalom.

The conference, which finds its scriptural basis in John 20:19-23, will be held at TradeWinds Island Grand Resort in St. Pete Beach, Florida, **August 7-10, 2017**. Presenters will include the Rev. Juan Sarmiento, associate director for mission, The Outreach Foundation; the Rev. Aisha Brooks-Lytle of Wayne Presbyterian Church, organizing pastor of The Common Place, a faith-based educational outreach and community center in Philadelphia; and the Revs. Jeya and Daniel

So, a pastor couple at the Anchor City Church, a New Worshiping Community in San Diego, who have an amazing vision for church planting. The Rev. Abby King-Kaiser, a dynamic leader in campus ministry at Xavier University, will coordinate worship.

[Register Here](#)

[Conference Schedule](#)

Leadership and Anxiety in the Church: A Family Systems Perspective

Leadership & Anxiety in the Church: A Family Systems Perspective

June 28, 2017

First Presbyterian Church, Lakeland, FL

Come join us for this enlightening seminar on a timely issue!

(There's a Church Discount Coupon if you bring 3 friends or more)

admin@LMPeaceCenter.org ~ 630.627.0507

For more information, go to www.LMPeaceCenter.org/workshops/



**Wednesday, June 28, 2017
First Presbyterian Church, Lakeland**

This one-day seminar examines the challenges presented by the rising level of anxiety being experienced in churches today, as well as the role that self-differentiated leadership can play in calming such anxiety. Differentiation of self and anxiety are two key variables that impact human functioning, as identified in Bowen family systems theory. This seminar is comprised of a series of Power Point presentations incorporating works of art that illustrate Biblical themes from the Medieval, Renaissance, and Baroque eras.

Discounts are available for groups and early registration. For further information, please call the Lombard Mennonite Peace Center at [630-627-0507](tel:630-627-0507), and find lots more details and great info on [our web site](#).



Don't Miss the Stewardship Kaleidoscope

Stewardship Kaleidoscope is the annual PCUSA conference on stewardship. This year, Stewardship Kaleidoscope is going to be in Florida (September 25-27, 2017 at TradeWinds Island Grand Resort in St. Pete Beach). Stewardship Kaleidoscope is put on by an all-volunteer planning team made up of congregational leaders, mid-council leaders, and General Assembly agency leaders.

SCHOLARSHIPS

There are scholarships available for Candidates/Inquirers, First Call Pastors, and Small Church Pastors. You can find more information [here](#). Each of these scholarships require nomination by EP, COM, or CPM, so contact those boards or Patrice Hatley to be nominated.

Get more detailed information about the conference from the flyer [here](#).

Job Opportunities

Kids' Corner Before/After Care Leader

Northwood Presbyterian Church is seeking an experienced childcare provider for our Before/After Care Elementary School Age Program. Must be able to supervise and instruct groups of children. Ideal candidate will be friendly and professional, and can communicate well with children, parents, and staff. Position starts in August. Hours are 7:00 - 9:00 a.m. and 2:00- 6:00 p.m. Candidates can work one or both shifts. Competitive hourly salary.

Contact: Laura Woodard [727- 723-7679](tel:727-723-7679)

E-mail resume to schooldirector@northwoodpc.org

McLeod Memorial Presbyterian Church is looking for

Part-Time Secretary

McLeod Memorial Presbyterian Church
Bartow, Florida 33830

Job Opening: Part-Time Secretary
Fourteen (14) hours per week

Send resume to: Office@BartowMMPC.com

Attn: Personnel Committee

Or Mail to: McLeod Memorial Presbyterian Church
Attn: Personnel Committee
695 W. Stuart St.
Bartow, FL 33830

No phone calls please.

Pastoral Associate for Youth, College and Career

[Forest Hills Presbyterian](#) is hiring a new full time staff person for Youth and College. The primary responsibility will be the development and implementation of programs and activities for youth and young adults from Middle School through College/Career. Masters of Divinity is preferred, but not required. Send applications to Office@FHPCTampa.org. Check out the [full job description here](#).

Director of Youth and Family Ministries

[Northwood Presbyterian](#) is hiring a new staff person for Youth and Family Ministries. Check out the [full job description and how to apply here](#).

Part Time Administrative Position

[Christ Presbyterian Church of Largo](#) is looking for a part time bookkeeper to help out. Competency in the use of the Shepherd Staff Accounting System and Payroll Mate preferred. Apply to Dick DeBoer, Clerk of the Session. Phone: 727 215-0647 or email: flold6676@gmail.com

Director of Christian Education

Director of Christian Education (20-25 hours per week) for Village Presbyterian Church in Tampa:

Develop, coordinate, and direct the activities of the church's education program, with emphasis on youth development. Prior Christian leadership experience highly desired. Bachelor's degree in Christian Education or related field (desired). Please email your resume to suegoldstein.vpc@gmail.com.



Immediate Opening for Youth Leader (updated)

Beth-El Farmworker Ministry is a non-profit mission supporting farmworkers and our neighbors in need through hunger relief, education, health initiatives and spiritual care. The mission is currently seeking a director of children and youth ministries for the mission's worship communities, 20 to 35 hours per week. Candidate will be responsible for coordination of all children and youth activities including summer VBS, Christian Education curriculum, teen youth group and Sunday school. Ideal candidate must be fluent in both Spanish and English with background in education (Christian education preferred). Valid driver's license, background check and drug screening are required. Beth-El Farmworker Ministry is an equal opportunity employer.

Please submit resume and three references to info@beth-el.org. No Phone Calls Please. Beth-El Farmworker Ministry is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Group Leader for Elementary School Children Grades K-5

Employment opportunity for a NCC Before/After Care program at Northwood Presbyterian Church in Clearwater. Seeking a group leader to work with elementary school children grades K-5. Morning hours 7-9. Afternoon hours 2-6. Will consider hiring for morning or afternoon shift if candidate cannot do both. Flexible summer camp hours also available.

Contact Laura Woodard at [727-723-7679](tel:727-723-7679) for further information.

Director of Student Ministries



First Presbyterian Church of Winter Haven Full Time Position

Our 1000 member Florida Presbyterian Church (USA) congregation is seeking an enthusiastic leader to continue the expansion of our youth ministry program! Our location half-way between both coasts and an hour from Orlando and Tampa provides many exciting opportunities for youth activities. We are seeking a Christ-filled individual who is organized, able to work well with and lead others, and who has the passion and ability to inspire and connect with our middle and high school youth.

We value our youth ministry program and offer a competitive salary and benefits package for this full-time position. Please visit our website at www.firstpreswh.org for more information about our church. Inquiries may be emailed to ydsearch@firstpreswh.org or mailed to the church office (Attn: Director of Student Ministries Search Committee, First Presbyterian Church, 637 Sixth Street NW, Winter Haven, FL 33881).

Part Time Nursery Assistant at St. Andrew, New Tampa

Responsible for providing nursery care for children under three years old, ensuring their safety, health, cleanliness and well-being. Regular hours are Sunday 9am-12pm. Addition church events as needed. Located in Tampa Palms close to I75. Minimum of two years professional childcare experience, part-time or full-time, or be a parent. Current CPR certification or be willing to receive certification. Pay rate is \$50.00 for Sunday (9-12) and \$16.50 per hour for additional events.

Call 813-513-8822 for additional information.
Email resume to: office@standrewnewtampa.org.

Korean Presbyterian Church of Tampa Job Opening:

Full-time or Part-Time EM Pastor

KPCT is currently seeking an EM Pastor to shepherd the Young Adult and Youth Group of high school and middle school students. The church is located at 6510 Yosemite Dr., Tampa, FL 33634.

For more information please contact Ki Choi at kih.choi3@gmail.com or read the [position description](#).

Presbytery of Tampa Bay | 813 868 4800 | presbyteryoftampabay.com