HAPPY THANKSGIVING! Check out Alban Institute's Faith and Leadership Thanksgiving Articles.

The Presbytery office will be closed from 9-5 on Monday, Nov. 19, and from 9-12 noon on Tuesday, Nov. 20, for outside meetings and training. We apologize for any inconvenience.

All are Invited to Retirement Celebration. If you would like to join us in celebrating the ministry and career of our retiring General Presbyter, Mark Verdery, you are invited to his retirement celebration to be held at Rock Hill First Presbyterian on December 15. Download the reservation packet and make your reservation today. RSVP Deadline is December 1.

Habitat of York County Invites you to a Clergy Luncheon. We are honored to announce that Habitat for Humanity of York County has been awarded a challenge grant by Thrivent Financial for our 2019 Faith Build! As a clergy or lay leader in York County, you are invited to a complimentary luncheon to learn more about how your congregation can partner with us in this build. The luncheon will be held Tuesday, November 27; noon -1:30PM at: Nishie G’s (off India Hook); at 727 Dilworth Lane #105, Rock Hill. To reserve your spot, click here.

Lombard Mennonite Peace Center to Offer Clergy Clinic in Charlotte in 2019. The Clergy Clinic in Family Emotional Process is designed to enhance the ability of participants to function as self-differentiated leaders within their own ministry setting. It will provide a safe forum for processing challenging situations in one’s ministry, while also facilitating reflection on a way of thinking about the human condition which has implications for all aspects of life. Tuition is $1400 for the nine day series meeting at St. Andrews United Methodist in Charlotte March 11-13, June 3-5 and September 9-11. Find out more or register.

Order your Smoked Thanksgiving Turkey Today! Covenant Presbyterian’s annual smoked turkey sale will be November 20th and 21st 2018. To order a 10-12 pound turkey for $35.00 cash or check please call the church at 803.366.8223 or order online at covenant@comporium.net with your name, telephone number and number of turkeys you want. Pick up is at the church between 8AM and 6PM November 20th and November 21st.

All Invited to Join Us for Laura Ingalls Wilder Christmas Show Trip. The Ladies of Ramah Presbyterian Church have put together a fun filled opportunity for all to enjoy. It’s a Bus Trip on December 15th. Lots of Fun & Fellowship. Lunch at Yoders Dutch Kitchen followed by a visit to Abbeville Opera House to see A Laura Ingalls Wilder Christmas show. Departure time from Ramah Church (980 Ramah Church Road, York) is at 9:30AM. Cost: $109. Per person (cost includes bus transportation, lunch and show -- the fun is free!). Please reserve your spot by Dec. 1st. Send Payment to Jean Wyatt 12898 Hwy. 55 West, York, SC. 29745. For more info call Jean Wyatt at 803-222-7315 or Arlene Harder 803-925-0020.

Surviving the Stress of the Season Workshop Offered to Churches. The Saluda Center is offering to Providence Presbytery churches a 30 to 45 minute presentation called “Surviving the Stress of the Season”. If any church would like us to come to a Wednesday night supper, a Circle meeting, a Sunday School class, etc. We would love for them to call Mary Hoppmann, at 803-981-2834 and request it.

Saluda Center Welcomes All to Open House. Please Join us for Some Christmas Cheer! DECEMBER 7TH, 2018, 3PM- 5:30PM, 2400 W. MAIN STREET, ROCK HILL, SC 29732. Download the Flyer for your church Bulletin Board or use the bulletin insert.

Hermon Hosts Mobile Food Pantry. Hermon Presbyterian Church is hosting a Mobile Food Pantry at 107 Heckle Blvd., Rock Hill on Nov. 29 from 9AM-until. The pantry is sponsored by Hermon Presbyterian, St. Mary’s Catholic and York County Democratic Women. Find out more.

Would you like to share your faith and make a difference in the lives of children? Support Bethelwoods this Giving Tuesday! Check out all of the ways you can help camp to be entertaining, educational and life changing. Share via the Bulletin Insert with your congregation so all can have the opportunity to join in supporting camp.
**South Carolina Inn News.** We are thankful for the service of Chuck Brown, who after serving as manager of the South Carolina Inn for 23 years, has decided to pursue other opportunities. [Read more.]

**New Vision in Honduras Generator Needed.** New Vision in Honduras has successfully purchased and has funds to ship the Presbyterian Eye Clinic equipment. While the town has electricity, it can go off unexpectedly. It is critical that this does not happen during eye surgery. Therefore, we need to purchase a generator to insure that the equipment will always have power during surgery. The estimated cost of a generator is $10,000. So, we still need your help. A gift of any amount will be appreciated and help us reach this important goal. Perhaps you would like to give a Christmas gift in honor of a friend or give a gift in memory of someone whom you remember at this time of year. [Find out more.]

**Rock Hill Ecumenical Chorale Christmas Concert** is Dec. 2. The event will be held at the Kenneth Monroe Transformation Center at 745 Saluda Street, Rock Hill on Sunday, December 2 at 7PM. St. Mary Catholic Church Presents “The Rock Hill Ecumenical Chorale” “A Christmas Gift in Song” featuring The Clinton College Ensemble, Gisele Gathings and Nia Anthony, The Plair Ensemble & Carl Ratcliff, Soloists (Jennifer Ancrum, Joy Colter, Sarah Chisholm, Karen Howze, Iris Rose and Chelsey L. Simms, Jr.) [See the flyer.]

**Give the gift of Presbyterian Outlook.** As we draw near to Advent and begin thinking of how to express our appreciation for the people of faith in our lives, we want to invite you to **consider giving the gift of a Presbyterian Outlook subscription.** The gift of the Outlook continues all year long and comes with full access to all our online content. This year we will explore issues such as mental health, moving beyond accessibility to welcome of persons with disabilities, engaging the Old Testament in the 21st century and, of course, our spring and fall book issues. We are extending a special Christmas gift subscription offer of only $9.95.

**December Workshop offers Economic Justice Advocacy Education.** December 4 Columbia Workshop focuses on Equipping Clergy and Congregants for Economic Justice Advocacy. The event is available to anyone interested. Find out more and [purchase your $10 tickets a here.]

**Faith and Sexuality Retreat for 5th-7th Graders and their parents coming in February.** Sign up today for this great event presented by Providence Presbytery’s Education and Equipping Ministry Team and Bethelwoods. Led by chaplain Nicole Newton, this overnight retreat is designed to open communication as your youth looks toward all the changes that are coming as she/he enters middle and high school. The goal is to help parents set these and future conversations around puberty, adolescence, and sexuality within the context of faith, and learn to share your values as you talk with your youth about these topics. The overnight retreat will be held February 22-23 and cost is $100 per youth. [Find out more. Register online at Bethelwoods.com.]

**Presbyterian Communities Seeks Executive Director for Florence Community.** With the recent retirement announcement of the current Executive Director, this excellent opportunity offers an Executive Position for the Presbyterian Community at Florence. [Find out more.]

**Accompanist Needed.** Doby’s Bridge Church in Fort Mill is looking for an accompanist for 11AM church services and Wednesday evening choir rehearsals. Applicants should have experience accompanying church choirs. For more information, including a job description, please call the church office at (803)547-5240.

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