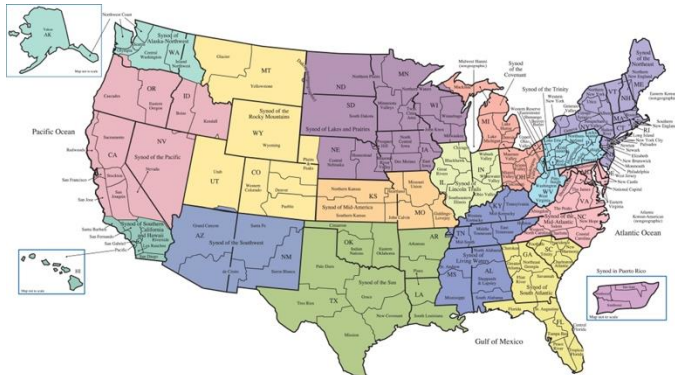




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WHAT'S CENTER STAGE AT LIMESTONE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH • GAFFNEY, SC
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Map of PCUSA Presbyteries

A Connectional Church

Sometimes we unintentionally think that “church” is only what we are doing here and now at this place and at this time in our lives. But as members of Limestone and the Presbyterian Church (USA), we are connected to other congregations. We don’t just share a denominational name, rather the way we govern ourselves, the way we do mission, the way we know God connects us. Each of the announcements, opportunities, or programs speaks to what our connectional church is doing - for people at all ages and stages of life.

Confirmation, high school, college, young adulthood, parenting, middle age and beyond - all offer particular opportunities to develop one’s faith. There is no time in our lives when we have learned all we can and experienced the limits of faith.

You may be familiar with some of the events and possibilities listed here. Others may be new to you. In this new year, think about expanding your view of the church as well as your involvement in the wider church. Attend a conference, sign up for a class, join a gathering, serve on a committee. You are how Limestone will stay connected beyond the beautiful walls of our building.

Want to see a bigger version of the map above?
<https://www.pcusa.org/resource/mid-council-interactive-map/>



**CONFIRMATION
RETREAT**

BREAD FOR THE JOURNEY

MARCH 24 - 26, 2023
@CAMP FELLOWSHIP

This confirmation retreat is about “sanctification,” growing in the Spirit and living a life that increases good in the world.

REGISTER TODAY!

www.campfellowship.com

Foothills Presbytery Youth Retreat



More than 200 senior high school students from Foothills Presbytery spent a weekend at Montreat considering the theme of “Different Roads, Different

Stories.” Below are the retreat participants. Next year, we hope there will be Limestone students in the retreat photo!



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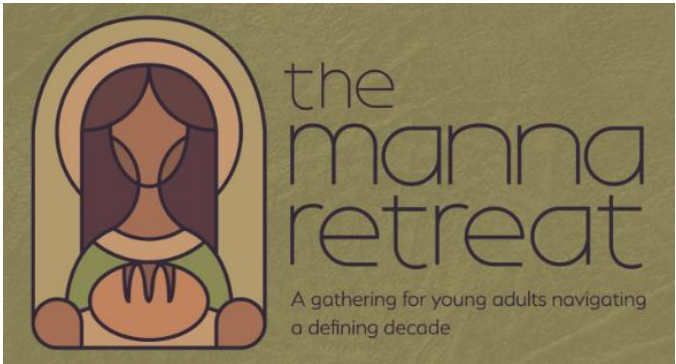
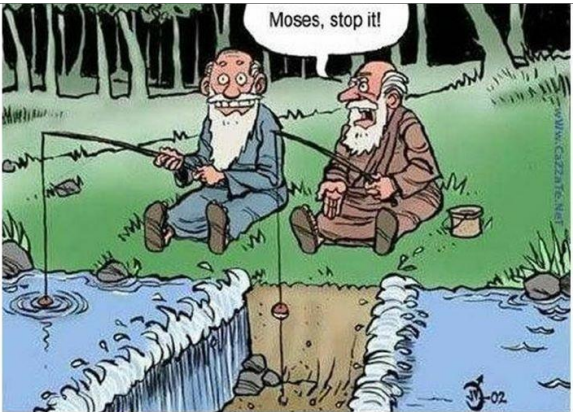


**STUDENTS WHO ARE PRESBYTERIAN
CAN EARN AN
\$80,000
PRESBYTERIAN PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP
TO ATTEND PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE.**

For additional information on the Presbyterian Promise Scholarship at **Presbyterian College**, go to: www.presby.edu/presbyterian-promise



The PCUSA Young Adult Volunteer (YAV) program is an ecumenical, faith-based year of service for young people, ages 19-30, in over 20 sites in the US and around the world. Receiving a regular stipend, housing, transportation, and student-loan assistance. For more information: <https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/yav/>



**The Manna Retreat
A weekend for young adults
January 27–29, 2023**

Hosted by Montreat Conference Center
According to *The Defining Decade* by psychologist Meg Jay, “eighty percent of life’s most defining moments take place by age thirty-five.” Translation: being a young adult is hard. In an effort to support both young adults navigating the messiness of this time in their lives, as well as to support young adult ministries at the local church, we have created The Manna Retreat. The Manna Retreat is three days, 100 young adults, one old hotel, and ten small groups dedicated to creating deeper faith and deeper relationships. If your faith could use a spark plug, if your spirit could use a deep laugh, if your heart could use some new friendships, or if your body could use a place to belong, then this is for you. For information: <https://montreat.org/events/manna-retreat>

**Spring Lay School & Commissioned Ruling Elder Training
MARCH 10-11, 2023
at Presbyterian College**

The registration fees for the Spring 2023 session: Single: \$280 Double: \$160 Commuter: \$75

The core courses are Old Testament, Church History, Worship & Sacraments, Polity; the elective course is John.

The registration Packet will be available in early February.



With communities in Clinton, Easley, Florence, Lexington, Summerville, and West Columbia, Presbyterian Communities of South Carolina offers opportunities to settle in the part of South Carolina that is closest to your

heart. The communities offer retirement lifestyles independent living, assisted living, memory care, short term rehab, and skilled nursing. For more information: <https://www.prescommunities.org/>

CALENDAR of EVENTS

Sunday, January 15

9:45 AM Confirmation Class - Parlor
9:45 AM Children's Sunday School
10:15 AM Chancel Choir Practice - Choir Room
11:00 AM Worship - Sanctuary & via Facebook Live
12:30 PM Session Meeting - Conference Room

Monday, January 16

5:30 PM Girl Scouts

Wednesday, January 18

6:00 PM Wednesday Night Supper - FLC

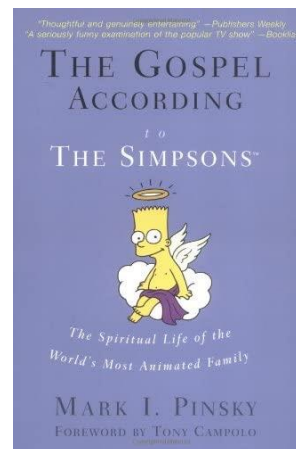
Please remember in prayer:

Anna Cox; Peggy Jolley; Fulton & Fran Ross; JT & Teresa Spires; Ashton & Jenni Lail; Rachel Hopper; Butch Carroll; Noah Lindemann; Mark Porter; Miriam Burgess; Steve Beheler; Confirmation Class: Layla Lemmonds, Taylor Miller & Leah Miller; Confirmation Sponsors: Michelle Jolly, Hazel Hubbard, & Becky Wheeler.

Check It Out!

From Our Library

The Gospel According to...



In 1965, Westminster John Knox Press, our denominational publisher, published a book version of a slide show being presented by a 28-year old pastor as he worked his way through seminary. The book, *The Gospel According to Peanuts*, used the comic strip

characters to explain the Christian faith. It was the first of *The Gospel According to...* books written to help readers see theological truths and ask theological questions of popular culture.

Today, in addition to the Peanuts book, you can read *The Gospel According to...* Star Wars, Bob Dylan, Twilight, U2, Bruce Springsteen, Harry Potter, Science Fiction, the Beatles, Oprah, Disney, and Tolkien. You can read about and purchase those books at <https://wjkbooks.com>

In the LPC library you will find *The Gospel According to The Simpsons*, a “thoughtful probing into the beliefs and practices of this now famous American family.” (p. ix) In our library there are two copies of Mark Pinsky’s book, and you will even find the leader’s guide for a group study of the book. Perhaps this was a Sunday School study at some point in Limestone’s past.

All of *The Gospel According to...* books give us new ways to look at our faith through various cultural lenses. Check out the *Simpsons*, or order one of the other volumes.

The book is shelved at 791.4/Pin.