

## Morning Workshops: 10:45 – 12 noon

(Choose one and an alternate)

### 1. Racial Issues: Today and Tomorrow

Church and society are facing a widening gap of understanding between races and ethnic groups. Beginning to take up the conversation can lead to a wider perspective of our lives and how we see and function in the world.

**Presenter:** Stephanie Patterson, PW Racial Equity Staff

### 2. Learning to Play the Celtic Harp **NOTE: This workshop is 2 hours: 10am-noon**

Virginia Bethune, harpist, will lead a 2 hour workshop of beginning harp. After this session, participants will play for afternoon worship! Virginia has used this format for over 10 years, having introduced over 250 folks to the harp. **No prerequisite - not even a requirement that one read music. Harps are provided;** we will learn to play *Ode to Joy* as an ensemble and would welcome a flutist, if there's one available.

**Presenter:** Virginia Bethune

### 3. Book Discussion – *The Making of a Racist - A Southerner Reflects on Family, History, and the Slave Trade*, written by Charles B. Dew. This honest account of an historian facing and coming to terms with the ways in which he was raised to view racial difference, is a good place to begin the discussion of racism within our church communities. This is not an easy book to read, but it is one we need to encounter if we hope to be part of the solution in making our communities and nation a better place for all God's children. It is recommended that you read the book for this workshop. (University of Virginia Press, 2016)

**Presenter:** Rev. Deb Klein, Parish Associate, Lexington

### 4. "Getting Ready for Guests"

Many congregations feel that they need to grow in numbers but are not really sure just how to get started. This workshop will offer timely tips to help you get started as well as help address some common practices that could be holding you back. Growing a church begins a lot like getting ready for company. Chances are you have many of the skills. Let us help you use them effectively.

Rev. David Witt, Pastor Opequon

Rev. Tracie Martin – Parish Associate – Opequon

### 5. Gratitude from the Heart

"I think that gratitude is key to our relationship with God. We will look at relevant scriptures and explore ways to develop a grateful heart."

**Presenter:** Mary Lou Cox – Ruling Elder

## Afternoon Workshops: 1:10 – 2:25 p.m.

(Choose one and an alternate)

### 6. Horizon Bible Study: *Love Carved in Stone*

What would it mean to consider the Ten Commandments not as a harsh list of what not to do but, instead, as a "love letter" from a loving God? A fresh embrace of the Ten Commandments (or Ten Words), author Eugenia Gamble suggests, may ultimately contribute to the restoration of ourselves and our communities and the furthering of the Gospel in the world. *Love Carved in Stone* is a Bible Study that helps us re-frame the way we look at and live in the world.

**Presenter:** Rev. Nancy Meehan Yao, Associate General Presbyter, Shenandoah Presbytery

### 7. Discerning Dementia

*Have you ever wondered?*

- What the word "dementia" really means?
- What changes take place in the brain of a person with dementia?
- What the stages are of the disease process?
- How to communicate and build positive connections with a person that has dementia?

**Presenter:** Ann-Ashby McKissick RPh, CGP, FASCP

\*Consultant Pharmacist Specializing in Geriatric Pharmacy Care Services \*Certified Dementia Educator/Trainer

### 8. So, You Were Absent When They Voted You Clerk of Session...

The first thing you have to learn is to **never** miss another Session meeting. Everything else (almost) Clerks of Session (or future Clerks of Session) can learn in this workshop. Come and join us. Even if you aren't new to the position, come just to brush up on the new Book of Order.

**Presenter:** Rev. Bronwen Boswell, General Presbyter and Stated Clerk, Shenandoah Presbytery

Morning Refreshments for the day are provided by those at the Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center. The residents have a need for Tupperware-like lunch containers and lunch satchels if you would like to donate those items during the Big Event.

## REGISTRATION BEGINS ON REVERSE SIDE

### Adult Registration:

Morning Workshop: 1<sup>st</sup> Choice # \_\_\_\_\_  
Alternate # \_\_\_\_\_

Afternoon Workshop: 1<sup>st</sup> Choice # \_\_\_\_\_  
Alternate # \_\_\_\_\_

### Youth Registration (ages 13 to 18):

Morning Workshop: 1<sup>st</sup> Choice # \_\_\_\_\_  
Alternate # \_\_\_\_\_

Afternoon Workshop: 1<sup>st</sup> Choice # \_\_\_\_\_  
Alternate # \_\_\_\_\_

**Fees:** Lunch included in registration fee except partial day registration. Receipts given upon request.

Adults: \$ 15.00 x # of registrations =  
Total: \_\_\_\_\_

Youth (ages 11 to 18): \$ 7.00 x # of registrations =  
Total: \_\_\_\_\_

Family Max: \$ 35.00  
Total: \_\_\_\_\_

Partial Day (no lunch): \$ 10.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ #of registrations =  
Total: \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Payment Enclosed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Lodging:** Please make your own lodging reservations:

Contact Massanetta Springs Camp & Conference Center directly at (540) 434-3829.

**Send** completed registration form with your check made payable to **Shenandoah Presbytery** to:

Harriet Kopp

Shenandoah Presbytery Big Event

596 Horners Sawmill Road

Gerrardstown, WV 25420

**Mail your registration early – NO registration forms or money accepted at the Presbytery Office.**

**Register by Tuesday, September 10, 2019**

**NOTE:** Be sure to complete both sides of this registration form.

**THE BIG EVENT  
REGISTRATION**

**EVERYONE please REGISTER**

*Big Event committee members, workshop leaders, mission fair representatives, pastors, musicians, youth & adults.*

**Please Print:**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

First Last

Name of Youth (ages 11 to 18): *(first and last name)* \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Home \_\_\_\_\_

Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Home Church \_\_\_\_\_

Are you attending the BIG EVENT for the first time?

\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_ NO

Do you participate in PW? \_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_ NO

Are you a workshop leader?

\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_ NO

If yes, list workshop title or number. \_\_\_\_\_

**SPECIAL NEEDS** (physical, dietary, etc.)

**MUST submit this information by September 10, 2019.**

*(NOTE: A golf cart will be available for transport.)*

**REGISTRATION CONTINUED ON REVERSE SIDE**

**BIG EVENT  
SCHEDULE**

**Registration/MISSION FAIR 8:30–9:15 a.m.**

**Morning Refreshments**

**Location: Stewart/Calvin**

**Morning Worship: 9:15 – 10:00 a.m.**

**Location: Stewart**

**Mission Fair 10:00 - 10:40 a.m.**

**Location: Calvin**

**Morning Workshops: 10:45 – 12:00 noon**

**Locations: Various**

**Lunch: 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.**

**Location: Historic Hotel Dining Room**

**Afternoon Workshops: 1:10 – 2:25 p.m.**

**Locations: Various**

**Closing Communion & Sending: 2:30 p.m.**

**With Harps!**

**Location: Stewart**

**Mission Fair**

The Annual Mission Fair at the BIG EVENT is the place where congregations, committees and mission groups can showcase what God is doing in their communities and the global community. Displays will be judged on content and appearance with awards being given to the top two displays. Space is available on a first come, first served basis.



To reserve a table for your mission activity display, please mail or email your Mission Fair Registration to Henry Hogmire, 81 Gander Lane, Gerrardstown, WV 25420; [hhogmire@gmail.com](mailto:hhogmire@gmail.com). His phone number is 304.229.2844 (home) or 304.582.8450 (cell). Mission Fair Registration forms are due by Thursday, September 5, 2019.



**Saturday, September 14, 2019**

**8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

**Massanetta Springs Camp & Conference Center  
Harrisonburg, VA**

**A COMING TOGETHER OF ALL  
SHENANDOAH PRESBYTERY CONGREGATIONS**  
The Big Event offers worship, music, a mission fair, and workshops to interest adults, youth and children as we celebrate our oneness in Christ.

The Big Event is co-sponsored by  
Shenandoah Presbytery Committees on  
Educational Resources, Mission and Outreach, and  
the Presbyterian Women

**Morning Worship**

**9:15 am**

**Stephanie M. Patterson, Speaker  
Staff for Multimedia and Racial Equality  
PW PC USA**

**"I think (The Big Event) is one of the most obvious good things the Presbytery does to support the churches. I feel that one of the special things about the Big Event is that the day is somehow greater than the sum of its parts."**

*--Big Event participant*

For information or questions, contact Nancy Meehan Yao,  
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