



**East Community Gathering**  
**Presbytery of Coastal Carolina**  
*“Celebrating Community... Building Bridges”*



January 7, 2020

Dear Friends:

The next East Community Winter gathering will be held, **January 25, 2020 at Faison Presbyterian Church, 502 West Main St., Faison, NC 28341**. Directions are included in this packet.

The East Steering Team has been working enthusiastically to plan for this East Gathering and is particularly excited about hosting Rev. Floretta Barbee-Watkins, Pastor of The Avenue Presbyterian Church of Charlotte, NC and a Board Member of the Presbyterian Mission Agency as she comes to share about our PCUSA Mission Agency “Matthew 25 Initiative.” Matthew 25:31–46 calls all of us to actively engage in the world around us, so our faith comes alive and we wake up to new possibilities. It calls us to act boldly and compassionately to serve people who are hungry, oppressed, imprisoned or poor. Her church is a Matthew 25 congregation and she will share how we can be a part of this mission. We will take care of some East Community business Electing Steering Team and Gathering positions, and other reports. Some of our youth will share about their experiences at Triennium.

We hope you will **bring items** (list enclosed) for the Duplin County **Backpack Buddy program**. A monetary **offering** will be received during worship which will also benefit that ministry. *All checks for the offering should be payable to Presbytery of Coastal Carolina.*

This **packet** includes the schedule for the day, the agenda for the business meeting, reports, and items of information. By going to the Presbytery’s website ([www.presbycc.org](http://www.presbycc.org)), you will find *Guidelines for a First Time Elder Commissioner*. **To be excused from the meeting send an email to [jankrause@presbycc.org](mailto:jankrause@presbycc.org) or call the Presbytery office at 910-862-8300.** Please read all the materials in this packet in advance.

**Lunch will not be served.** A list of area restaurants is included in this packet.

**Childcare** will not be offered.

**Registration and Voting:**

Registration begins at 9:15am. At each registration table there will be notebooks for you to **print your name**. There will be 3 groups: **(1) Teaching Elders and CREs, (2) Ruling Elder commissioners who will register under their church name, and Committee Chairs, and (3) Visitors**. Everyone will receive the same stick-on name tag, however, *only duly elected Ruling Elder commissioners and Teaching Elder members of the East Community may vote during the business meeting.*

East Community Steering Team: Jeanette McNeil, Rev. Emile Harley, Rev. Hank Bellomy, Pat Davis, Matlynn Yeoman, Rev. Bill Young, Joyce Winkler, Katherine Brandi, Rev. Cam Thomas, and Rev. Nancy Gladden (staff resource).

### **Directions**

502 West Main St.

Faison, NC 28341

**\*\*Be sure Google directions pull up the correct address!**

#### **From points south take I-40 west:**

There are options:

- Take the Faison exit 355 (NC-403). Follow NC-403 N into Faison (becomes Main St). The church is on the left.
- Take either of the Warsaw exits (369 or 364) to Hwy 117 N. Follow Hwy 117 into Faison. Turn left at the light onto Main St. The church is on the right.

#### **From points east take NC-24 west:**

Take 24 W to Kenansville. Take Hwy 50 W to Warsaw. Turn right onto Hwy 117. Follow Hwy 117 into Faison. Turn left at the traffic light onto Main St. (NC-403). The church is on the right.

**\*\*Other routes from Kenansville will also lead you to Hwy 117. Turn right onto Hwy 117.**

**Parking** is located on either side of the church and on the street in front of the church.

### **Restaurants**

<b>I-40 Exit 364 (Warsaw)</b> – Smithfield’s Chicken and Bar-B-Q	Waffle House	McDonald’s
	Bojangles	Arby’s
	Dunkin’ Donuts	Kentucky Fried Chicken
	Wendy’s	Subway
<b>I-40 Exit 385 (Wallace)</b> – Bojangles	Burger King	Mad Boar
	Taco Bell	McDonald’s
	Subway	Sensation’s
	Village Subs	Zaxby’s
<b>Kenansville area</b> – McDonald’s	The Filling Station	Hardee’s
	Tokyo Sunrise	The Country Squire
		Hwy 55
<b>Beulaville area</b> – Ann’s Thai Kitchen	Hwy 55	Pizza Village
	Subway	Pizza Hut
	Bojangles	Hardee’s
		McDonald’s

# East Community Gathering Schedule

Presbytery of Coastal Carolina

Saturday, January 25, 2020

Faison Presbyterian Church

Faison, NC



## *“Living Matthew 25”*

9:15	<i>Welcome!</i> Registration Refreshments in the Sanctuary Gathering Space	Fellowship Hall
9:45	Presbytery Business Meeting	Sanctuary
10:30	Break with refreshments available	Sanctuary Gathering Space
10:45	Keynote The Rev. Floretta Barbee-Watkins Pastor- The Avenue Presbyterian Church of Charlotte, NC	Sanctuary
11:45	Worship The Rev. Derek Macleod, preaching St. Andrews-Covenant Presbyterian Church	Sanctuary

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### **Items needed for Backpack Buddies collection (individual portion sizes):**

Fruit snacks	Juice
Granola bars	Chef Boyardee items
Grits	Mac & Cheese
Crackers	Vienna sausages
Oatmeal	Sweet & salty mix
Mixed fruit cups	Applesauce
Pop Tarts	Raisins
Pudding cups	





**East Community Gathering  
as the  
Presbytery of Coastal Carolina  
9:45am      January 25, 2020  
Faison Presbyterian Church**



***Business Agenda***

Call to Order and Opening Prayer	Dr. Janie Canty-Mitchell, Moderator
Declaration of Quorum	
Welcome from Host Church	
Introductions	Dr. Janie Canty-Mitchell
Call for New Business <i>(must be presented in writing to the clerk's table within 15 min. of call)</i>	
Adoption of the Agenda	Rev. Emile Harley, Steering Team
East Steering Team Report	Rev. Emile Harley
2019 Triennium Testimonies	Sadie Scott, Elizabeth Sills Anthony Jackson, Jenny Braswell
Presbytery Youth Council Report	Jenny Braswell
Attendance Report	RE Matlynn Yeoman
Words of Thanks, Announcements, and Closing Prayer	Rev. John Pflug, Vice-moderator

**Next Presbytery meetings:**

- **March 7, 2020**      **Jones County Civic Center, Trenton, NC**
- **June 13, 2020**      **East Community Gathering, the bridge PC, Leland, Special guest: Rev. Mark Tidsworth of Pinnacle Leadership Associates and author of *Shift: Three Big Moves for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Church***
- **October 3, 2020**      **First Presbyterian Church, Sanford**



## **Presbytery of Coastal Carolina East Steering Team Report January 25, 2020**

The East Community Steering Team has met regularly since the June 2019 Gathering, and has worked faithfully to offer events for the East Community and to plan for East Gatherings.

The June Gathering featured Rev. Joan Gray, author of *Sailboat Church* and *Spiritual Leadership for Church Officers*. She also led a workshop and preached in worship. A variety of other workshops were also offered. Approximately 80% of East Community churches completed sessional record review. Dates and locations for 2019 review sessions will be announced soon. A Strategic Communications worship, led by a team from GA Mission Agency, was well attended in September. Officer training in November was held at Camp Kirkwood with excellent leadership and a large attendance. Shared Mission funds were granted to Camp Kirkwood and to the Community Counseling Center to benefit these ministries. Training event funds were granted to Presbytery's youth program to assist East Community students attending the Montreat College Conference.

**Action Item:** The East Community Nominating Committee requests approval of the following nominations for the positions indicated:

### For 2020 East Gatherings:

Dr. Janie Canty-Mitchell (SE)	Moderator/Facilitator
Rev. John Pflug (SE)	Vice-moderator
Rev. Marie Cone (SE)	Recording Clerk
Rev. Philip Gladden (NE)	Assistant Recording Clerk

### East Community Steering Team

#### Class of 2021 (4)

Rev. Emile Harley (SE, second term)  
Jeanette McNeill (NE, second term)  
Katherine Brandi (SE)  
Rev. Cam Thomas (SE)

### East Community Mission Cabinet Representatives (3)

Rev. Hank Bellomy (NE)      Ms. Matlynn Yeoman (SE)      Rev. Bill Young (NE)

### East Community Mission Cabinet Executive Committee (1)

Ms. Matlynn Yeoman (SE)

## **East Commission on Ministry**

### **Report for January 2020 Gathering**

#### **Renewals/Contracts Approved:**

- Rev. Philip Siebbeles, Temporary Supply, and Rockfish through 2020
- Rev. Sean Palmer, Temporary Supply, and Chestnut St. through 2020
- Rev. Charlie Love, Stated Supply, and Harper Southerland through 2020

#### **Approved Qualified Ruling Elders:**

- Francisco Manuel

#### **Additions to Supply List:**

- Francisco Manuel

#### **Member at Large Status approved:**

- Rev. Walter Dinkins
- Rev. Jay Atkinson

#### **Validated Ministries Approved:**

- Rev. Susan Lewis, Community Counseling Staff Therapist
- Rev. Nancy Cooper, Chaplain with Lower Cape Fear Hospice

#### **Honorable Retirement:**

- Rev. Shirley Rogers effective November 7, 2019

# Presbytery Youth Ministry

Our Presbytery Youth Council (PYC) hosted their first events, exploring the year's theme: "Faith For the Win."

## Senior High Retreat @ Camp Kirkwood.

November 16 - November 17. The theme was "Slow and Steady Wins the Race."

Rev. Becky Durham of Peace Presbyterian Church provided materials for our Youth Council to lead activities, discussion, and small groups of students. Together, youth and leaders from 15 different churches looked to Paul & Timothy, to see how they "ran their race." Looking at their example, we are reminded to "Correct, Confront, Encourage", "Practice self-control", "Endure suffering for the sake of the Gospel", "Preach the good news", "Serve until the end".

Along with canoes & zipline, the event included a trivia & movie night. We also offered fun opportunities to test ourselves following Sunday worship - Camp Kirkwood's "Swing by Choice" and the new "Power Pole."

Adults also had their own opportunity for retreat and learning this year as we gathered to study the Enneagram. The Enneagram is a model for understanding personality and spiritual motivation. With the leadership of Jenny Lee, Director of Youth & Christian Education (First Presbyterian, Sanford), we explored the ways our Enneagram types connect with our spiritual life and leadership.



**College Conference @ Montreat.** Thursday, January 2 – Sunday, January 5. Theme: "Remembering Sabbath." Our Coastal Carolina college students joined 1,000 Presbyterian college students to focus on Sabbath. Highlights included a presentation from Rev. Jimmie Hawkins of the PC(USA) Office of Public Witness and workshops ranging in topics from self-care and mental health, contemporary poetry surrounding Sabbath, and incorporating theology into our favorite movies.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **CONFIRMATION RETREAT** (See Reverse)
- **MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT @ Camp Kirkwood.** >>>>> Saturday, March 21 - Sunday, March 22. The theme is "The Final Countdown." This event will include fellowship, study, worship, a real life "Mario-Kart-Style" challenge and Saturday Game Night.
- **MONTREAT YOUTH CONFERENCE - Week 6.** August 2-8, 2020. Rising 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>. More info in February.
- **Presbytery Youth Council.** Applications for 2020-2021 Presbytery Youth Council are available NOW!

Please let me know how I can support your ministry. I love to hear new ideas and resources, so don't be shy in sharing your stories. Thank you for your support of young people and youth programs in our community.

- **Erin Wehrmeister (Assoc. for Youth Ministries)**

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**Friday, February 7 - Sunday, February 9, 2020**  
**CAMP MONROE ■ LAUREL HILL, NC**



**OPEN TO ALL  
PRESBYTERY  
CONFIRMANDS  
6<sup>TH</sup>-8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE**

**Registration Deadline:  
January 27, 2020**

**Cost = \$30/person**  
**10% Late Fee after 1/27**

**Cost underwritten by the  
Presbytery's West &  
Central Communities.**

**Churches provide chaperones.**

Contact Laura Lupton or Erin Wehrmeister  
for Registration Forms & Details.

Presbytery of Coastal Carolina  
807 W. King St., Elizabethtown, NC 28337  
presbyccyouth@gmail.com

## Retreat Leadership

Returning to lead are Howard & Meg Dudley. Both are pastors: Meg serves at Bluff Presbyterian Church and Howard serves at First Presbyterian - Dunn. Both have experience in national youth conference leadership and college campus ministry.

Howard is also an avid guitarist, music leader at Montreat, golfer and ECU Pirates fan. Meg enjoys traveling, crafting and music. They have two amazing daughters: Lindsay and Julia.

Meg and Howard are excited to share the weekend with the confirmands in the presbytery to teach about God's grace and love and joining the church.

## Content

We will go over a little bit of the Bible, a little bit of Theology, a little bit about the Presbyterian Church, all while making a lot of new friends in the presbytery and figuring out what we believe about God! *Weather permitting we will do part of the Challenge Course!*

# 2020-2021 Youth Council Application

## PRESBYTERY OF COASTAL CAROLINA



**What is the YOUTH COUNCIL?** The Presbytery Youth Council (PYC) is a group of high school students, who plan and implement Presbytery-wide events for middle and high school youth. This council should reflect the diversity, creativity, and dedication of our Presbytery and communities.

### Requirements:

- Rising 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grader
- Active member of a Presbyterian church in the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina
- Regular participation in planning meetings and events
- Willingness to learn new skills and eventually provide leadership

The PYC is challenging and will make demands on busy schedules, but the experience is very rewarding. PYC members develop leadership and planning skills, experience unique events and opportunities, and make lasting friendships with other youth from around the Presbytery.

Agreeing to serve on the PYC, is a decision that should be made carefully. **The other members of the PYC need to be able to count on you for regular attendance, support, and participation in meetings and events.**

### CONSIDER AS YOU APPLY:

- Each member is asked to serve a 2-year term. You may “renew” when the term is up or rotate off, if needed.
- All members should be present at Installation during the October Presbytery meeting
- Members are asked to be present at retreats. They should expect to participate in planning prior to events.
- If elected, you initially make a 1-2 year commitment of time & talents to our Presbytery
- If elected, you serve as a role model for others. Your behavior, language, **social media presence**, and involvement in your church and presbytery should reflect positively on the PYC.

### Predicted Schedule for 2020-2021:

- End-Of-Year Overnight (for incoming & outgoing PYC) → Tentative April 24, 2020
- PYC Planning & Training (Location TBD) → **THURSDAY**, August 13 - **FRIDAY**, August 14
- **Presbytery Meeting – PYC Installation Service → Saturday, October 3, 2020**
- Senior High Retreat → November 20-22, 2020
- Middle School Retreat → March 19-21, 2021

*AND as a new council, we can always try something totally new!*

**Applications may be returned NOW, and are due no later than JULY 23, unless otherwise discussed with Assoc. for Youth Ministries.**

Please fill out the application and have your parents & references fill out their pages. If you have any questions (big or small), please email Erin Wehrmeister at [presbyccyouth@gmail.com](mailto:presbyccyouth@gmail.com).

**\*\*\*Keep this page for your records\*\*\***



# 2020-2021 Youth Council Application

PRINT Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Male: \_\_\_\_\_ Female: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Grade (circle) 8 9 10 11

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Instagram: \_\_\_\_\_ or **NONE**

Name of Church: \_\_\_\_\_

Community: (please circle) **Western / Central / Eastern**

Are you a member of your church? (Please circle) **YES / NO**

Are you able to participate in your church on a regular basis? **YES / NO**

If not, please explain:

## Youth Council Statement of Intent

By signing this application, I wish to be considered for the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina Youth Council (PYC).

If selected, I commit to regular participation in planning sessions and youth council events.

This is a 1-2 year commitment of my time and talents and I commit to participate in at least two Youth Council events each year.

If I cannot fulfill my obligations, I understand that I will need to relinquish my position. I will pray for the work of Christ's church, the work of the PYC, and the youth & adults of the Presbytery.

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## On a separate page, please answer the following:

1. Why do you want to be on the Youth Council of Presbytery of Coastal Carolina?
2. What skills or gifts will you bring to Youth Council?
3. What does your Christian faith mean to you and how do you express it in your day-to-day life?
4. Which church activities are you involved in?
5. List other activities you participate in and leadership roles you have:
6. How would you encourage your local church to participate in PYC-hosted events?

# Congregation Endorsement

We understand the expectations of members of the Presbytery Youth Council, as well as the opportunities this ministry provides.

We heartily endorse this young person's nomination for the PYC and will provide our support for this person's attendance and participating in the meetings, work, and events of the council.

## Minister / Moderator of Session

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Current Session Member / Clerk of Session / Educator (*Other than parent*)

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Role: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this application form to:**

**Youth Council c/o Erin Wehrmeister**

**Presbytery of Coastal Carolina**

**807 West King Street**

**Elizabethtown, NC 28337**

**You may also scan and email: [presbyccyouth@gmail.com](mailto:presbyccyouth@gmail.com)**

*Youth Application Page 2 of 2*

# PYC Reference Form

The young person listed below is applying for a term on Presbytery of Coastal Carolina's Youth Council.

**NAME OF YOUTH APPLICANT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Church:** \_\_\_\_\_

The position involves:

- Planning and implementing Presbytery-wide youth events for middle and high school youth
- Regular participation in planning, training, and execution of events
- A willingness to learn new skills and eventually provide leadership
- Regular participation in local church youth and congregational activities.

**Your comments will be kept confidential. Feel free to use the back of this sheet if needed.**

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How long have you known this youth?

Describe their skills, abilities, and leadership potential to participate on PYC.

Does this young person have enough time in their schedule to include PYC activities?

In what areas, does the applicant need further growth and maturity?

Is the applicant active in the life of your congregation? In what ways?

What type of role model would they be for other youth?

If selected, do you perceive that the applicant's family will be supportive of their participation on PYC?

Additional comments:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Reference

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title/Position in Church  
(Pastor, Youth Leader, Elder, etc.  
- not applicant's parent)

**Please return this reference form to: Attn: Erin Wehrmeister  
Presbytery of Coastal Carolina, 807 West King Street, Elizabethtown, NC 28337  
You may also scan and email: [presbyccyouth@gmail.com](mailto:presbyccyouth@gmail.com)**

*PYC Reference Page 1 of 1*



# Parent/Guardian Statement of Support

The Presbytery of Coastal Carolina's Youth Council is offering high school members the opportunity to serve the church and their peers as they plan and implement Presbytery-wide youth events.

I am aware that \_\_\_\_\_ is applying for a 1-2 year position on the Youth Council for the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina.

It will be hard work and will make demands on busy schedules, but the experience will also be very rewarding and educational. Youth Council members develop leadership and planning skills, experience many unique events and opportunities, and make lasting friendships with other youth from around the Presbytery.

An important component of an effective PYC is having parents of the youth who are supportive of their responsibilities, and are willing to encourage their active participation on the Council.

If your youth is selected to serve on the Council, we would need to know that it meets with your approval and that you would provide encouragement, support, and occasional help in making transportation arrangements to and from meetings and events.

I understand that at the end of that time, depending on his/her age, he/she may be able to apply for a second 1-2 year term. If she/he is selected, I will support his/her participation on the Youth Council.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Parent/Guardian)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

## Optional:

**Do you wish to be informed via email regarding PYC meetings and activities? YES / NO**

*\*\*This will be the same email sent to your youth at the email address they are providing to the presbytery -- WITH the understanding that your youth will be primarily responsible with communicating in the expected, timely manner.\*\**

If Yes, please CLEARLY PRINT your email address: \_\_\_\_\_

***Please return this support form to:***

*Attn: Erin Wehrmeister*

*Presbytery of Coastal Carolina*

*807 West King Street*

*Elizabethtown, NC 28337.*

*You may also scan and email: [presbyccyouth@gmail.com](mailto:presbyccyouth@gmail.com)*



### EXPLORER CAMPS CALENDAR

WEEK	DATE	CAMP
1	June 21-26	Horse II and Classic Camp
2	June 28-July 3	Night Owls
3	July 12-17	Horse I and Classic Camp
4	July 19-24	Surf and Turf
5	July 26-31	Night Owls

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**REGISTER NOW AT** [www.MonroeCamp.org](http://www.MonroeCamp.org) / (910) 276-1654



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# SUMMER CAMP

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## 2020

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