Workshops on Tuesday
All workshops will be offered at both 10:30 am and 1:00 pm; workshops with insufficient registrations may be cancelled.

Workshop Descriptions

Spirituality and Imagination: This workshop will combine spiritual practice and how to imagine a Spirituality Center and create one.

Presenter: Beth Williams, Educator at Potomac Presbyterian Church, Potomac, Maryland

Children and Worship: Imagine a room filled with young children sharing a worship experience so enjoyable that the children and leaders don’t want to leave when the hour is over. Young Children and Worship is a method that encourages children to listen to Biblical stories and to God with multisensory hands-on materials. During this workshop we will experience these stories together and talk about how this method can make a difference in your church.

Presenter: Sharon Stewart is the Director of Disciplemaking and Spiritual Growth at the Pittsburgh Presbytery. She has been working with Young Children and Worship for 22 years and has presented stories in Africa and Costa Rica.

"Imagine That!": Church Educators are the best idea people in the world. However, we can dash from one brilliant idea to the next without turning inspiration into implementation. In this workshop, participants will explore the practice of taking a creative idea from the theoretical to the practical, using key planning tools such as story-boarding, SMART plans, timelines, and evaluations. You will actually walk through the process of turning one of your own ideas into a reality.

Presenter: Vera K. White serves as Director of New Church Development, Stewardship, and Committee on Ministry for Pittsburgh Presbytery. She is the author of numerous study and devotional resources.

Exploring Curriculum: This workshop will allow participants to learn about three curriculum choices.

Faith for Life Bible Study Curriculum from The LOGOS Ministry will be presented by Liz Perraud. Liz is on staff of The LOGOS Ministry in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania working out of her home office in Columbia, Maryland.

The Thoughtful Christian will be presented by Andrew Buckley…

We Believe, published by the Presbyterian Church (USA) will be presented by Holly Yuell.

And Here is More You Need to Know
Don’t forget to bring your “Something that Worked” to share. Topics include curriculum you wrote or a workshop you designed, a seasonal program or celebration, or an administrative strategy. Bring 60 copies to share.

Hearts and Minds Bookstore, Dallastown, PA, will be on-site. Byron Borger will host “what’s new in books” on Tuesday afternoon.

Jam Session will offer an "Open Mic" time to honor the imagination. Bill Carter, our worship leader, invites anybody to bring a brief poem, a very short reading, an engaging skit, a simple song -- the more imaginative the better. If it goes longer than 3 minutes, we get out the hook. Bill will plan to fill in the gaps with some piano tunes.

Conference Costs
$275.00 per person, based on double occupancy; $290.00 for a single room (only if available); non-APCE members add $25.00. Daily commuter rate: $75.00 (includes all meals)  Scholarship funds are available—indicate interest on registration form

Cancellation Policy: Cancellations can be honored only if made ten days or more before the event.

Directions to Rhodes Grove will be sent with registration confirmation
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REGISTRATION FORM

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SINGLE ROOM (if available) Yes __
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WORKSHOP CHOICES
Workshop I 10:30
First Choice _______________________
Alternate Choice ____________________
Workshop II 1:00
First Choice _______________________
Alternate Choice ____________________

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EAST REGION APCE PRESENTS

Imagining the Church:
The Role of Imagination in Christian Education
Monday – Wednesday, April 26-28, 2010
Rhodes Grove Conference Center
Chambersburg, PA

Keynote: Dr. Rodger Nishioka
Benton Family Associate Professor of Christian Education, Columbia Theological Seminary

What does it take to grow and develop an imagination that is infused by God in this day and age? How might Christian Education and spiritual formation be impacted by discovering and unleashing the imagination?

Worship Leader: Bill Carter
Sr. Pastor at the First Presbyterian Church, Clarks Summit, PA and founder/leader of the Presbybop Quartet

SCHEDULE
Monday, April 26
1:00 pm Registration begins
1:30 pm First-timer Orientation
2:00 pm Welcome and Introductions
2:30 pm Plenary 1
3:45 pm Break
4:00 pm Celebration of Retired Saints
5:00 pm Dinner
6:30 pm Vespers
7:30 pm Evening Hospitality
8:00 pm Jam Session

Tuesday, April 27
7:30 am Morning Prayers
8:00 am Breakfast
9:00 am Plenary 2
10:15 am Break
10:30 am Workshops
12:00 Lunch
1:00 pm Workshops
2:30 pm Free time-the bookstore, publishers, spirituality center will be available
5:00 pm Dinner
6:00 pm Plenary 3
7:30 pm Vespers
8:30 pm Celebration of our Educator of the Year
9:00 pm Jam Session and Hospitality

Wednesday, April 28
7:30 am Morning Prayer
8:00 am Breakfast
9:00 am Regional Meeting
9:45 am Plenary 4
11:00 am Closing Worship
11:30 am Depart for home