

### Details:

- Fee: \$10.00 per person with a church maximum of \$30.00.
- The registration fee includes dinner.
- Sign up by going to this link:  
<https://form.jotform.com/COMPgh/leadership-training-event>  
or look for information in the PNews
- We will begin in the Beulah Presbyterian Church sanctuary with breakout sessions in the classrooms

### Schedule

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| 4:00 | Gather in Sanctuary  |
| 4:30 | Breakout Session One |
| 5:30 | Dinner               |
| 6:00 | Breakout Session Two |
| 7:00 | Wrap Up in Sanctuary |



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Equipping

Empowering

Engaging

A Leadership Event for  
Deacons and Ruling Elders  
of the Pittsburgh Presbytery

June 8, 2023

4:00 – 7:30pm

Beulah  
Presbyterian  
Church

2500 McCrady Road  
Pittsburgh PA 15235



Let us not become weary in doing  
good, for at the proper time we will  
reap a harvest if we do not give up.  
Galatians 6:9 NIV

## Breakout Sessions

### Deacons

The Pittsburgh Presbytery staff desires to work with you to provide opportunities and resources for leadership development.

#### Equipping, Empowering, Engaging

will provide tools to equip and empower leaders to prayerfully engage in God's work in your local church community.

Join us for an inspiring time of fellowship and community building with your church leaders.  
Please call or email  
Louise Rogers, temporary Associate Minister,  
412-323-1404 or  
lr Rogers@pghpresbytery.org  
with questions or if you need more information.

Now may the God of perseverance and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another in accordance with Christ Jesus.  
Romans 15:5

#### How Do I Care for My Congregation?

- Rev. Lynn Portz, Shadyside Presbyterian Church, retired

The ministry of the Deacons is one of "compassion, witness, and service." We will discuss specific ways that deacons share the redeeming love of Jesus and ways to structure a ministry of caring, by initiating contacts and nurturing ongoing relationships.

#### Remarkable Ways Deacons Serve

- Rev. Louise Rogers, Pittsburgh Presbytery

Deacons engage in hands on connections within the church and the community. We will share the wide variety of ways churches serve others with creative and practical ideas. Come and join in the discussion.

### Ruling Elders

#### Facilitating Efficient and Effective Meetings

- Rev. Dr. Dirk Lesnett, Elfinwild Presbyterian Church

Come to discover ways to lead Committee and Session meetings that are enjoyable and productive, without much conflict, and always full of laughter.

#### Finances 101: Understanding Budgets and Reporting

- Rev. Ellie Johns-Kelley, Presbyterian Foundation

This workshop will highlight best practices for finance committees and treasurers. A useful list of resources will be included.

#### Safety and Sex: Safe Church Policies and Beyond

- Carla Campbell, Stated Clerk of Pittsburgh Presbytery

This workshop will provide timely information about important policies that need to be in place to guide and protect all.

#### Technology: How to Make It Work!

- Rev. Jason Freyer, Beulah Presbyterian Church, and  
Rev. Gavin Walton, Grace Memorial Presbyterian Church

Technology has burst into the church scene in the past few years. Now the challenge is to keep up and stay relevant. Reverends Jason Freyer and Gavin Walton will provide valuable insights on what is "out there" and how to effectively use technology in a church setting.

#### Open, Available, Responsive: Spirituality for Church Leaders

- Rev. Dr. Roger Owens, Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church

This workshop will invite elders to reflect on their spiritual lives and give practical tools to help them discern the Spirit's leadership as they lead their congregations.

