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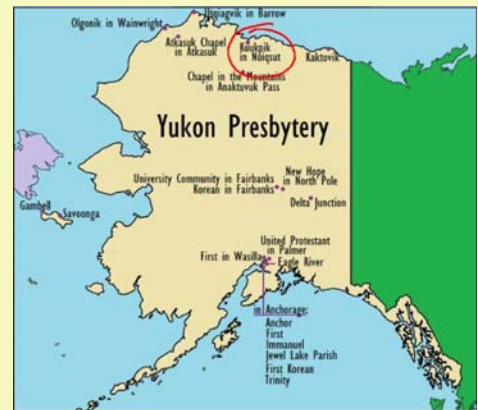
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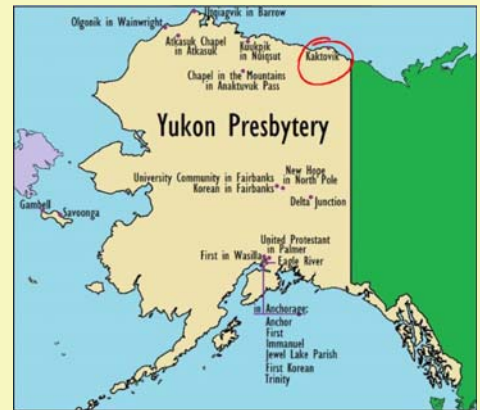
Kuukpik Presbyterian Church, Nuiqsut

Kuupik Presbyterian Church is a lovely congregation situated on the North Slope. In addition to weekly worship and study groups we provide the community with a food pantry. It has served up to seven families in one day. However, it usually sees that many families in a week or two. In addition to members supporting the food pantry, the local native corporation is supportive as well, making it a larger community effort. It is a true blessing to help serve the hunger needs of the community.



Kaktovik Presbyterian Church, Kaktovik

Ministry at the Kaktovik Presbyterian Church was long hampered by the lack of heat in the church building. Last winter the session raised money to install a new Toyo stove by hosting a community cakewalk. People from across the community participated, including enthusiastic participation from members of the only other church in town, the Kaktovik Assemblies of God. As a result, the new Toyo stove was installed, allowing more consistency in worship, and the hope that the new Sunday School year will get a warm and enthusiastic start.



The church does not enjoy the ministry of an installed pastor or Commissioned Ruling Elder. Instead, the presbytery asked its executive presbyter, the Rev. Curt Karns, to provide training for the whole session so that they would be able to lead worship and provide spiritual guidance to the church. Elders on the session have therefore been serving as the regular worship leaders. Attendance has been low, however, and the elders ask for your prayers and support as they seek to provide consistent worship opportunities, praying that this consistency will also renew the worship practice among the community members.

Efforts are also underway to build the cooperation between the two churches. The two churches plan to hold a revival weekend at this fall. Rev. Karns will be present that week, and plans are under way to invite other speakers as well. The revival event will offer an opportunity for spiritual renewal for the whole community. It is the hope of the two churches that working together will help build up the whole Christian community, and will lead to more cooperation and more effective united ministry into the future.

You're invited to the
Earth Care Jamboree

To our potential partners:

On behalf of the Interfaith Earth Care Action Network, you are invited to join in the first Annual Earth Care Jamboree, Saturday, September 12, 11am-5pm, at the Arctic Valley Ski Chalet.

Join us for a celebration: celebrate the sacred; discuss the problem of climate change and how we can address it through an interfaith lens. Spend the day listening to live music, enjoying local food, listening to guest speakers and panels, and participating in trainings. Learn about the different ways that organizations and faith communities are working to mitigate climate change; leave feeling inspired and empowered to take action.

In preparation for the Earth Care Jamboree, we are seeking various kinds of contributions from fellow communities and organizations:

How you can contribute: (please check off the ways that you can commit to)

- Money**- Donate an amount that is meaningful to you and/or your community/organization
 - LEVEL 1: \$500-1000 earn name and logo on poster as co-host plus mention at event
 - LEVEL 2: \$250-499 earn name and logo on poster as sponsor plus mention at event
 - LEVEL 3: \$100-249 earn name on poster as sponsor
- Time in Preparation for the Jamboree**- Donate your and/or others' time to help in planning the jamboree. This entails participating in planning meetings every 2-3 weeks. Meetings are two hours long, and often require 1-3 hours of work afterwards to accomplish specific action items.
- Time During the Jamboree**- Donate your time to help out with the Jamboree on Saturday, September 12, 2015. Volunteers will work in shifts on the day of the event, so that everyone is also able to participate in the Jamboree.
- Recruitment**- Donate your time to recruiting people from your community to attend the Jamboree.
- Transportation**- Donate shuttle buses/vans and drivers to help transport individuals to Arctic Valley on the day of the event
- Host Community Discussion on Climate Change**-commit to hosting an event(s) focused on issues of climate change in your faith community

Please complete the section below.

Name: _____ Community/Organization: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

The Interfaith Earth Care Action Network is a collaborative group of individuals representing faith communities across Southcentral Alaska, who saw a need to create a space where faith communities can come together to support and empower one another to speak out and take action on climate change. All are welcome to attend meetings and participate in the group in whatever ways feel meaningful to you.

Travel Study Seminar - Russia 2016

Exploring the Life, Faith and Ongoing Challenges of the Christian Church in Russia



The Presbyterian Peacemaking Program is pleased to announce the 2016 Travel Study Seminar to Russia, May 23 - June 4, 2016.

The cost of this 10-day seminar (including 2 travel days) is \$1950 per person, double occupancy. This includes all seminar expenses including meals, accommodations, programs, tours, and in-country transportation. The cost of airfare from the US to

Russia is not included.

Applications are available and may be submitted until December 31, 2015. For more information, please view the [seminar brochure](#).

Mark Your Calendars

**October 9-10,
2015**

Our Next Presbytery Meeting

Location United Protestant Church, Palmer

Presbytery of Yukon - 616 W. 10th Avenue, Anchorage AK 99577 - 907-276-0914

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