



Ways to Connect with UKirk Ministers and Ministries

For Congregations, Youth Group Leaders, and Faith Communities

The UKirk Collegiate Ministries Association at the national level builds connections with college students (emerging adults) at more than 200 colleges and universities across the nation. Each UKirk-Network ministry is unique and caters to the local community it serves. We have chaplaincies on Presbyterian-related college and university campuses, campus ministry groups that are their own 501c3 organization supported by Presbyterian congregations, part-time campus ministers, congregationally-based ministries, presbytery-supported ministries, groups that serve large state schools and small, private institutions, and campus ministers that work both as campus minister and in another part-time ministry in the local church, presbytery level, or hospital chaplaincy. We also have campus ministers who are lay people serving in these ministries in addition to those who are ordained.

UKirk National offers local UKirk network ministries resources and services to support them in their ministry on campus. We also offer support to campus ministers and boards in the areas of fundraising, leadership development, and student engagement.

12 Ideas for Connecting

- Look for the UKirk campus ministries in your state: <https://ukirk.org/ministries/>
- Send an email to the campus minister or ministry introducing yourself and your ministry.
- Pray for students in the UKirk ministries at colleges and universities in your presbytery, region, city or state. Pray also for those who are searching for a spiritual community that is a place to be wholeheartedly welcomed and explore questions of Christian faith.
- Introduce your High School students to UKirk ministries where they can find their new spiritual home in the colleges they attend.
- Have your person leading youth to invite a campus minister or chaplain in your region to meet your youth and talk about college (or lead a youth event)
- Invite a local/regional campus minister or chaplain and their students to preach/lead worship one Sunday
- If there is no local college ministry at the school in your town, prayerfully consider starting a UKirk ministry (for more info email ukirknational@gmail.com)
- Have an event for high school seniors to talk about faith in college; invite local UKirk ministry student leaders to serve on a panel.

- If you take students on college visits, invite the UKirk minister to have coffee/lunch/dinner with the group. If you visit your college students on their campuses, invite the campus minister to join you and the student(s) for a conversation or meal.
- Ask your local UKirk ministries how your congregation can volunteer to support their ministry.
- Ask your mission team to consider mission support for the UKirks in your state.
- Invite Rev. Gini Norris-Lane, Executive Director of the UKirk Collegiate Ministries Association, to present about UKirk National to your session, congregation or presbytery and share the story of collegiate ministry in the PC(USA) and Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Consider becoming a Partner Congregation with a 3-year pledge. ukirknational@gmail.com

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