

Stories of Redstone

Christ at work in our midst

In the last decade, there has been a major focus in the church on sustainability and community development. PC(USA) has long had a strong focus on mission throughout the world as well. In the local church, one of the great ways this call has begun to manifest is in “community gardens.” Churches set aside a space of their land to grow a garden that is then cultivated and shared by the neighborhood. These gardens can help to feed the hungry, build relationships, and offer fresh produce to those who cannot always afford it.



Gardens for God

At First Presbyterian Church of Greensburg, congregation members help to plant produce in a garden plot behind the church. The produce is used in a mission of the church called “Second Sunday Supper.” This monthly meal is free to anyone in the community. Produce may be used in the meal, or given to those who attend the supper.

How can your church start a garden? Here’s a few thoughts...

1. Choose a plot of land on church property, or ask a member to volunteer a plot of land if your church doesn’t have space.
2. Plant “hearty” veggies, such as potatoes, beets, beans, squashes, and zucchini.
3. Invite community members to help plant and tend the garden alongside church volunteers.
4. Build relationships over yams!

Communicate the Word...Carry on the Work...Change the World

Together!

Stories of Redstone

Christ at work in our midst

In the last decade, there has been a major focus in the church on sustainability and community development. PC(USA) has long had a strong focus on mission throughout the world as well. In the local church, one of the great ways this call has begun to manifest is in “community gardens.” Churches set aside a space of their land to grow a garden that is then cultivated and shared by the neighborhood. These gardens can help to feed the hungry, build relationships, and offer fresh produce to those who cannot always afford it.



Gardens for God

At First Presbyterian Church of Greensburg, congregation members help to plant produce in a garden plot behind the church. The produce is used in a mission of the church called “Second Sunday Supper.” This monthly meal is free to anyone in the community. Produce may be used in the meal, or given to those who attend the supper.

How can your church start a garden? Here’s a few thoughts...

1. Choose a plot of land on church property, or ask a member to volunteer a plot of land if your church doesn’t have space.
2. Plant “hearty” veggies, such as potatoes, beets, beans, squashes, and zucchini.
3. Invite community members to help plant and tend the garden alongside church volunteers.
4. Build relationships over yams!

Communicate the Word...Carry on the Work...Change the World

Together!