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Rev. Pettit embarks on retreat

*he is taking a week for personal reflection and coaching,
underwritten by a Board of Pensions grant*

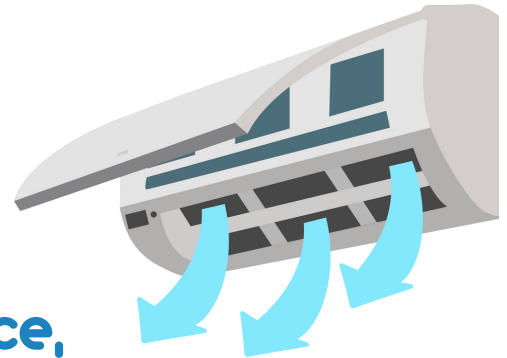
Patrick will be away for the next week on a personal retreat at the Kineo Center in Puerto Real, Puerto Rico. Thanks to a grant from the Board of Pensions of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), most of the costs associated with his time away will be covered.

According to the Board of Pensions, "Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) ministers need the opportunity to step away from the demands of ministry and practice self-care so that they might experience the flourishing of life. That's why the Board of Pensions provides programs that cultivate wholeness and nurture ministries."

The Clergy Wellness Support Grant is offered to ministers in partnership with programs that address vocational, spiritual, mental, and physical wellness. The Kineo Center is one of the programs endorsed by the Board of Pensions.

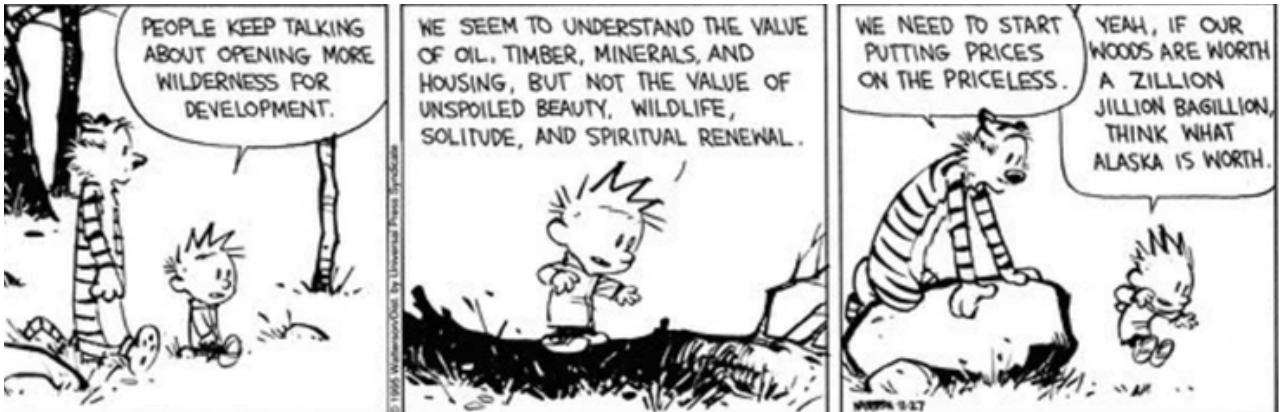
Located on the edge of the El Yunque Rainforest, the Kineo Center is an inter-denominational ministry which has served pastors and church leaders sixteen denominations, including Episcopal, Baptist, Reformed, Catholic, Presbyterian, Anglican, Methodist, and Mennonite.

Please keep Patrick in your prayers during this time away.



**Until further notice,
we will gather for worship
in the Barksdale Room,
where it is cooler.**

calvin and hobbes



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WORSHIP THIS WEEK:

REV. MALCOLM BROWNLEE, GUEST PREACHER

1 SAMUEL 16:1-13

MATTHEW 13:31-33, 44-46

SERMON: "UNSEEN GOOD"

This Week in History.



Egyptian King Farouk is overthrown in a Coup-d'Etat led by Army officers Mohamed Naguib and Gamal Abdel Nasser, (above), ushering in a period of decolonization in the Middle East.

July 23, 1952



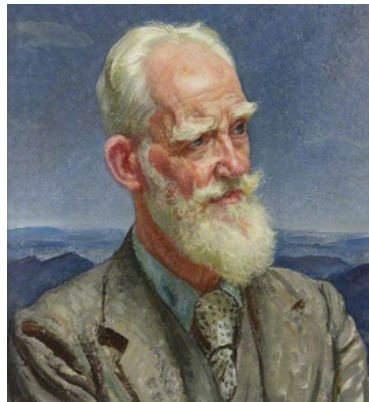
The Potsdam Conference concludes with an Allied demand for unconditional Japanese surrender. Unaware of the existence of the Atomic bomb, the Japanese would reject this demand.

July 24, 1945



U.S. forces invade the Spanish colony of Puerto Rico, during its war with Spain. In 1917, Puerto Ricans would become U.S. citizens.

July 25, 1898



Irish playwright George Bernard Shaw is born in Dublin, Ireland.

July 26, 1856



U.N. and North Korean delegates sign an armistice at Panmunjom, suspending the Korean conflict.

July 27, 1953



President Herbert Hoover orders the eviction of some 15,000 unemployed veterans who had marched on the capital, demanding a promised World War I Bonus. Army troops under the command of General Douglas MacArthur, Major Dwight D. Eisenhower and Major George S. Patton would attack and burn their encampments on the Anacostia Flats.

July 28, 1932



Benito Mussolini is born in Dovia, Italy. Originally a journalist he would found the Fascist Party, serve Prime Minister from 1922-1925, and then assume dictatorial power until his overthrow in 1943. He would be executed by Italian partisans in 1945.

July 29, 1883