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**BEGINS
Tomorrow!**

**Presbytery-wide Advent Study
via Zoom
December 2, 9, 16, 23 at 7:00 pm
Christmas in the
Four Gospel Homes
By Cynthia M. Campbell**

How might a house look for Christmas based on what each Gospel says about it? In Christmas in the Four Gospel Homes, beautiful illustrations from architect Kevin Burns reimagine each of the four Gospels as a "house," which the church visits at Christmas. In each section, Cynthia M. Campbell reflects on the distinctive perspective of the birth of Jesus or the incarnation offered by each Gospel. Suitable for individual or group study, Christmas in the Four Gospel Homes creatively reimagines the season and inspires new and exciting reflection for Advent.

Register now for this upcoming study. Order books early to insure delivery before the end of November. For information on how to order books and receive the quantity discounts available and pricing, email Celeste Dahlgren at patchespasturellc@yahoo.com.

**Register for the Advent Bible
Study**

**Called Meeting of John Calvin Presbytery
Tuesday, December 7, 2021**

General Council has called a special meeting of John Calvin Presbytery to act on recommendations from the Administrative Ministries Committee to approve two property sales. The brief meeting will be **by Zoom at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, December 7, 2021.**

Register for the Called Meeting

PLEASE NOTE....

At their last meeting, Committee on Ministry moved that the minimum salary for pastors in the presbytery, including the Continuing Education allowance, remain as it is for 2022 and be reviewed before the August 4, 2022 presbytery meeting. These minimums can be found on the homepage of the website...

<http://www.jcpresbytery.com>

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Supports Afghan Resettlement

PDA is not a direct service provider. PDA supports the work of Church World Service financially and as a member of the Faith Solidarity Group. PDA also encourages PCUSA congregations to partner with local refugee serving organizations (there are over 200 local offices) and a link is included in the resource sheet. PDA staff is able to help with congregational education and technical assistance, including how to organize your local congregation for this type of ministry.

RESOURCE SHEET - AFGHAN RESETTLEMENT

Please note the change in the email address for Jack Cormack...

bsfarm.jc@gmail.com

Afghan Refugee Relief

This work is evolving rapidly. We will try to keep you updated on ways you can help. We believe there will be needs for household goods and clothing for the refugees.

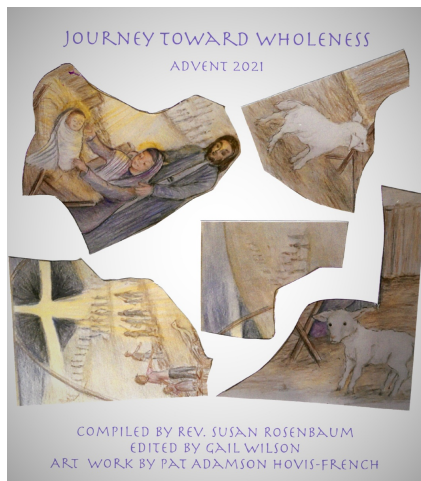
If you are interested in being part of a group that will have direct contact with refugees in Springfield or Joplin, please let Jack Cormack (bsfarm.jc@gmail.com) know. The International Institute <https://www.iistl.org/iismo/> requires a background check for any volunteer. Once you have completed that, you will be eligible to be added to a group. There are training and orientation sessions.

Some JCP churches have committed to helping one or more families or individuals. This work includes outfitting an entire apartment, picking the person(s) up at the airport, and helping the refugees get connected with healthcare, employment, and other needs. Some, but not all, of this work requires a background check for each volunteer.

You can see more about the Afghan work on the International Institute Facebook page. <https://www.facebook.com/IISTL>

The Presbyterian Church USA welcomes your gifts in support of our work on behalf of all refugees.

<https://pma.pcusa.org/donate/make-a-gift/gift-info/DR000095/#>



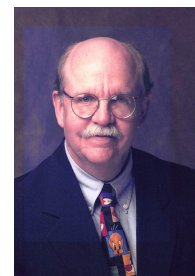
You are invited to join the Advent study, **Journey Toward Wholeness**. The devotions in this journey are provided by female PC(USA) clergy, both Teaching Elders and Commissioned Ruling Elders. These women are from diverse backgrounds, live all over the country and work with many different ministries. Each devotion comes from the heart of a woman who loves God and seeks to share that love with others. The hope is that you will be inspired by their different perspectives as each day we are carried one step closer to the wholeness we desire.

Click on the picture to download the devotional from the our website.

Prayers Requested

Saturday morning, November 27, Trinity member Todd Morriss entered the Church Triumphant. Please hold his wife Kathy and the whole family circle in your prayers in the coming days.

A Service of Witness to the Resurrection will be held at Trinity this Saturday, December 4, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. The family invites you to join them following the service for a reception in Fellowship Hall for a time of remembrance and story telling.



Expressions of sympathy may be sent to:
Kathy Morriss

Todd's Full
Obituary

- The congregations of John Calvin Presbytery...
- All churches seeking a new pastor, to understand God's call moving forward.
First Presbyterian Church, Carthage, Missouri
First Presbyterian Church, Chanute, Kansas
Crane Presbyterian Church, Crane, Missouri
First Presbyterian Church, Fort Scott, Kansas
St. Andrew Presbyterian Church @Hideaway, Galena, Missouri
St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, Kimberling City, Missouri
First Presbyterian Church, Rolla, Missouri
First Presbyterian Church, Sarcoxie, Missouri
First Presbyterian Church, Scammon, Kansas
The Presbyterian Church of Pittsburg - seeking temporary supply
Willard-Mt. Zion Presbyterian Church, Willard, Missouri
- JCPDA
- JC Living Waters Mission Team
- All Pastors of John Calvin Presbytery

Prayer submissions will remain on the prayer list for two weeks,
unless an update is received.

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