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John Calvin Presbytery
P. O. Box 1394
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Vital Congregations Initiative Third Quarter check in
Hear what's next in VCI!

[Register Here for the 3rd Quarter VCI Check In](#)

"Save the Date"
August 4th
Hybrid Presbytery Meeting
Ozark Presbyterian Church, Ozark, Missouri

BE CONSIDERATE OF YOUR PULPIT SUPPLY PASTORS

Pulpit supply often involves a fair amount of work, and then there's travel. Sessions, please be considerate of your pulpit supply pastors. When you ask for a commitment from a supply preacher, please remember that you are also committed to them. If you need to cancel, please consider a generous gift to compensate for their preparation and the realization that they may have turned someone else down.

Malinda Spencer
Executive Presbyter
John Calvin Presbytery

CLERKS OF SESSION, PLEASE SAVE THE DATE!

Beth Kick and these host churches will hold peer review meetings for session minutes and rolls & registers in upcoming weeks. More details will be forthcoming. [Plan to attend one meeting:](#)

Sunday, August 7 (2 – 4 p.m.)
Westminster Presbyterian Church, Springfield, Missouri

Monday, August 8 (10 a.m.–Noon)
Trinity PC(USA) Presbyterian Church, Springfield, Missouri

Monday, August 22 (10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.)
First Presbyterian Church, Fort Scott, Kansas

Sunday, August 28 (2 – 4 p.m.)
Willow Springs Presbyterian Church, Willow Springs, Missouri

Sunday, September 25 (2 – 4 p.m.)
St. Andrew Presbyterian at Kimberling City, Missouri

Saturday, October 1 (10 a.m.–Noon)
First Presbyterian Church, Joplin, Missouri

JCP Overture to the 225th General Assembly Approved!

After three years of discernment, study, and review the JCP overture to the 225th General Assembly ("On Benefit Equity Among Mid Council Executive Staff") has been approved! After a multi-hour hearing before the Mid Council Committee of GA the committee recommended approval to the full assembly. The overture was then heard during the first day of full assembly work and was approved with 379 of 400 commissioners voting in favor. In an assembly where even votes to take dinner breaks frequently had 25 votes in opposition, our overture was about as close to an unanimous decision as any.

If you would like to learn more about our overture, and see the final version as approved with comment, you can find it here: <https://www.pc-biz.org/#/search/3000856>

Our overture was part of a broader theme during the 225th GA on increasing equity in the work and ministry of the PC(USA), especially as related to the mission and ministry of Ruling Elders. I am proud to have had the opportunity to serve as your overture author and advocate over the past three years! Thank you to everyone who has played a role in bringing this important issue to the attention of the broader church.

Rev. Chris Miller
Trinity Presbyterian Church, Springfield, Missouri

**What happened during the 2022 General Assembly?
How will you explain three weeks of meetings to your congregation?**

Many issues have been discussed and debated at this year's hybrid, three-week General Assembly including climate change, gun violence, the pandemic, race relations and the

restructuring of the Presbyterian Mission Agency.

Keep your church members informed with a bulletin insert that contains Outlook's fast, accurate and fair reporting. With your purchase, you will receive a digital file which you can either print for your bulletins or email to your congregation.

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You can order the post-GA bulletin insert for \$30. [Order today!](#)

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Lectionary Bible Study for Teaching Elders

Willard Mt. Zion Church

Wednesdays at 11:15

Organized by Reverend Daniel Lee and Reverend Jane Huffstetler

All preachers are welcome!

Moving around to other church locations is a possibility.

Contact Reverend Daniel Lee (rev.dslee@gmail.com) if your church is interested hosting a Wednesday Bible Study.

UPCOMING BOUNDARY TRAININGS

The Committee on Ministry voted that all ministers serving churches in JCP are required to attend training. This includes the pulpit supply list, and anyone preaching regularly in congregations.

Southminster Presbyterian Church, Springfield, Missouri.

Thursday, August 11 from 10-12:30 p.m.

Boundaries Training will last 2 hours with lunch to follow provided by the church.

[Register Here for Training at Southminster Springfield](#)

First Presbyterian Church, Joplin, Missouri on August 17, at 12:00 p.m.

Beginning with lunch provided by host church.

[Register Here for Training at Joplin](#)

Trinity Presbyterian Church (PCUSA), Springfield, Missouri

Tuesday, September 20, from 5:30 – 8 p.m.

A light supper will be provided by the host church.

We'll contact you a few days before to find out if you're coming at 5:30 for supper.

We hope so!

The training will begin at 6:00.

[Register Here for Training at Trinity-Springfield](#)

JCP NIGHT AT THE BALLGAME!!!

The **Mission and Nurture Committee** is sponsoring a trip to the **Springfield Cardinals**. The game is on **Tuesday, August 30th** against the **Wichita Wind Surge**

at **6:35 p.m.**

Tuesdays are always \$2 Tuesdays at the park meaning that hot dogs and brats are just...you guessed it...\$2.

We have 20 tickets in the shaded side of the ballpark. We will be selling them at the Presbytery Meeting on August 4th.

Mark Your Calendars!

On **Saturday, October 22nd** we will be holding a very different Equipping the Saints. It is going to be a fun day of recreation and re-creation. We are calling it Equipping the Saints: Learning to Play. **Put the date down now** and more information will be coming soon! Mission and Nurture is very excited for this even though it is in the beginning stages!

Prayers Requested

Please keep our GA Commissioners, the Reverend Dan Davis and Elder Toni Spieth, and Young Adult Advisory Delegate, Hayley Hershenson, in your prayers!

- The congregations of John Calvin Presbytery...
- **All churches seeking** a new pastor, to understand God's call moving forward.
First Presbyterian Church, Aurora, Missouri
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
The Presbyterian Church of Pittsburg
First Presbyterian Church, Sarcoxie, Missouri
First Presbyterian Church, Scammon, Kansas
- JCPDA
- JC Living Waters Mission Team
- All Pastors of John Calvin Presbytery
- **Cindy Oster, continued prayers. Thanks be to God for good news, and prayers for ongoing treatment.** Cindy will begin treatment July 5th. 16 sessions of radiation that will take place Monday-Friday and each will last about 10 minutes. Cindy is the wife of Commissioned Ruling Elder, Tim Oster serving as pastor of Bethany Presbyterian Church of Joplin, Missouri

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

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