

J O H N C A L V I N *Presbytery*

Notices

February 14, 2020

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Prayers Requested

- The congregations of John Calvin Presbytery...
- For all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, that they may know the peace that passes all human understanding in Jesus Christ our Lord....
- All churches seeking a new pastor, to understand God's call moving forward.
First Presbyterian Church, Aurora, Missouri
First Presbyterian Church, Chanute, Kansas
Crane Presbyterian Church, Crane, Missouri
First Presbyterian Church, Sarcoxie, Missouri
First Presbyterian Church, Scammon, Kansas
- JCPDA
- JC Living Waters Mission Team
- All Pastors of John Calvin Presbytery
- Britney Shurtz, cancer treatments, daughter-in-law of Charley Shurtz.
Charley is pastor at St. Andrew@Hideaway

*The Congregation of Community Presbyterian Church
cordially invites you to attend a reception
honoring the retirement of
Pastor Dennis D. Winzenried
and celebrate his service to the people of this community
Sunday, February 16, from 2 to 4*

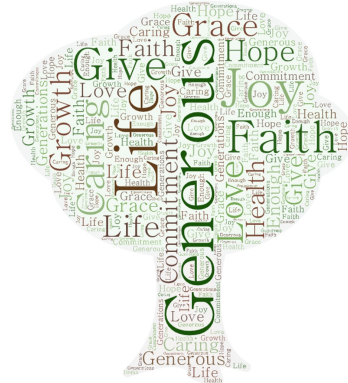
*If you are unable to attend and would like to send a card or
remembrance, please send it to:
Denise Carr*

*c/o Community Presbyterian Church
P. O. Box 486
Forsyth, Missouri 65653-0486
No later than February 9th*

Spirit of Stewardship Conference

March 27–28

**Pine Ridge Presbyterian Church
7600 NW Barry Rd.
Kansas City, MO 64153**



We invite all to attend this regional stewardship event seeking to nurture, educate, and inspire faithful financial discipleship and promote meaningful holistic approaches to stewardship. In addition to networking opportunities and fellowship around the table there will be plenary sessions and workshops. Plenaries will focus on stewardship beyond the plates. In our time together we will explore what it means to be people who honor and respond to the gifts God has given to our care. Through the sharing of our own contexts and practices, we will think big picture, confront challenges, and practice rituals that will help us all to better integrate a genuine, meaningful, and joyful stewardship culture where we serve.

To register click [HERE](#)

JCP has a limited number (2 per church) of scholarships for this overnight event. Council will reimburse registration (covers event meals) and half of one night's lodging. For more information, contact Malinda Spencer.

Please Gail Wilson know if you would like a scholarship for this event.

Dear Friends,

On February 4th, the General Council of John Calvin Presbytery met in retreat at Trinity Presbyterian Church in Springfield. We spent the day with Carol McDonald, Executive Emerita, Synod of Lincoln Trails. She had done a visioning retreat with General Council a few years ago when Susan Rosenbaum was retiring. This time, she led the retreat as we, your General Council, discerned the way forward for JCP in light of the departure of Melana Scruggs.

For the last several months, Malinda Spencer has been serving in the capacity of a solo presbyter in a system designed to have two presbyters. Beth Kick has been our Acting Stated Clerk, a position which absorbed part of the Governance Presbyter position. The General Council wanted to think in depth about what JCP needs at this point. Do we continue with the two presbyter model or do we combine the position?

We began with a look at what we do well as a presbytery, what we can do better, and who we want to be. The council crafted a guiding statement that reads as follows.

"John Calvin Presbytery is a community of Christ followers in the midst of a changing world. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we are called to inspire and equip congregations and leaders to be extravagant and hopeful ambassadors of the reign of God."

General Council then discussed what this means in terms of staffing for John Calvin Presbytery.

The consensus of the council was that it is a more fiscally conservative and mission focused move to have one presbyter and a stated clerk. This will mean that the committees of the Presbytery will be able to have a more active role in the running of the Presbytery. This is a reflection of our call to inspire and equip leaders in their role in proclaiming the reign of God.

The General Council working with the Administrative Ministries Council is crafting a just compensation package for both positions based on monies already allocated. The councils are also crafting job descriptions that follow our guiding principles as well as the mission of JCP and the PC(USA).

We are excited about our future. JCP has remained a strong Reformed presence in a geography that is strongly in the grip of other theologies. We are working to maintain this strength and use the Presbytery's resources in the most wise manner.

We will share more about this in the coming weeks. We do want to invite you to the February 29th Presbytery meeting. We will be engaging in one of the things we do best—worshiping the God who created, redeemed and sustains us. We will be learning about how we further the reign of God by protecting vulnerable populations within our congregations. And we will be doing the business that God has entrusted to us as a connectional church.

Blessings and Peace to you,
Reverend Jennifer Dawson, General Council Moderator.



Presbyterian Mission Agency

**Free webinar on
'Basics of Reformed Theology'
set for Feb. 20 |
Presbyterian Mission Agency**

The Reverend Dr. Cynthia Rigby of Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary will lead a free webinar on the basics of Reformed theology from 1-2 p.m. (Eastern Time) on Thursday, February 20.

www.presbyterianmission.org



Ozark Presbyterian Church
1932 East State Highway 14 ~ Ozark
invite you to a time of fun and fellowship
with **Chili, Chocolate, and Bingo**
on February 15th at 5:30 PM.

For the last few years OPC has held this event right around Valentine's Day and is one of our most popular activities. Our men's group makes wonderful chili for dinner and we have a huge variety of chocolate desserts to enjoy as we play bingo. This year we would like to invite you to attend as well. This is not a fundraiser, but simply a time to come and enjoying each other's company as siblings in Christ. We hope to see you there.

**197th Stated Meeting
of
John Calvin Presbytery
Westminster
Presbyterian**



Church
1551 East Portland
Springfield, Missouri
65804

We will be using a NEW way to register for presbytery meeting.

Click [here](#) to register online.

You may also register in person at the presbytery meeting at check in, keep in mind that lunches must be reserved by February 27th.

Please reserve your lunch while registering online or you can email or call to reserve your lunch. westminster2@sbcglobal.net / 417-866-2711

We are offering a “box lunch” choice for lunch. Each lunch will include a deli sandwich, chips, fruit, and cookie.

Please indicate your sandwich choice when reserving your lunch.

The sandwich choices are:

- Chicken salad on croissant
- Ham and cheese on wheatberry
- Turkey and cheese on wheatberry
- Veggie Sub

Cost is \$10 and will include coffee, tea, water. Lunches not reserved will cost \$12

BOUNDARIES TRAINING

Boundaries training April 15, 12:30 at Willow Springs.
Lunch and check-in at 12:30; boundaries training 1:00-3:00

Willow Springs Presbyterian Church
210 N. Center St.
Willow Springs, Missouri

All ministers serving congregations are required to complete boundaries training annually. A few opportunities are scheduled on different days, times, and locations, to make it possible for everyone to attend.

If you would like to host a training for your area, please contact Malinda.

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PULPIT SUPPLY for a minister leading worship and preaching for a congregation as a visiting minister should ordinarily receive \$100.00, plus the IRS approved mileage amount per vouchered mile (2019 IRS rate \$0.58 per mile). Pulpit Supply is \$100.00 with the understanding that is only if one (1) service is to be prepared. It was approved by COM that if two (2) services are required the honorarium would be \$150.00. If overnight lodging is required, motel and meals should be provided at the church's expense. Honorarium for moderating a session is \$50 plus the IRS approved mileage rate per vouchered mile.

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