

JOHN CALVIN Presbytery

Notices

February 5, 2021

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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, Carthage, Missouri
First Presbyterian Church, Chanute, Kansas
Crane Presbyterian Church, Crane, Missouri
Community Presbyterian Church, Forsyth, Missouri
St. Andrew Presbyterian, Kimberling City, Missouri
First Presbyterian Church, Nevada, Missouri
First Presbyterian Church, Sarcoxie, Missouri
First Presbyterian Church, Scammon, Kansas
The Presbyterian Church of Pittsburg - seeking temporary supply
- JCPDA
- JC Living Waters Mission Team
- All Pastors of John Calvin Presbytery
- **Sarah Roberts, health concerns, wife of Matthew Roberts.** The Reverend Matthew Roberts is pastor of Woodland Heights Presbyterian Springfield
- **Brenda Havens, Brenda is home recovering,** Brenda is the wife of Reverend Bill Havens an honorably retired minister of JCP.
- **Britney Shurtz, thought to be headed for remission but now is undergoing a very strong chemo therapy..** Britney is the daughter-in-law of the Reverends Charley and JayE Shurtz. Charley is serving as pastor of St. Andrew @Hideaway and JayE is serving as pastor at Forsyth Community.
- **Lorraine Whittington, Health restored from COVID.** Lorraine is a ruling elder member of First Joplin, Missouri and has served as Moderator of JCP Presbyterian Women and moderator of Committee on Representation.

You're invited to participate in a
Presbytery-wide Lenten Study
from the Mission and Nurture
Committee

*Lent in Plain Sight:
A Devotion through Ten Objects*

This is a weekly study on Wednesdays
beginning on
February 24th
March 3rd
March 10th
March 17th
March 24th
March 31st
and ending on April 7th.

The study begins at 7:00 pm and last
about one hour.

The devotional readings, in *Lent in Plain Sight* by Jill Duffield, begin on Ash Wednesday, February 17th. Each week we will discuss one of the 10 objects which consist of Dust, Bread, Cross, Coins, Shoes, Oil, and Coats, Towels, Thorns and Stones. Each daily reading includes questions for reflection and a prayer for the day.

This study allows us to see how God's still, small voice communicates through the ordinary as we find meaning through the reading of scripture as we walk alongside Jesus during his journey to the cross.



Placing your order for the book **right away** is recommended.

If your church will order more than 10 copies, bulk discounts are available. (The more you order, the higher the discount.) [Click here to order Lent In Plain Sight](#)

[Please register to receive the Zoom link for the Lenten Study](#)

[Register for the Lenten Study](#)

Training for Ruling Elders and Deacons based on the Constitutional Questions

The constitutional questions asked of leaders within the PC(USA) when they are ordained, installed, and commissioned is the focus of a new resource created to assist teaching elders as they serve in ministry with ruling elders and deacons. *Coming Alive in Christ: Training for PC(USA) Ruling Elders and Deacons based on the Constitutional Questions* provides a study of these beliefs that are central to our lives of faith and is available through [Equip](#), the church's online training platform. Beginning with an introduction on baptism, call, and membership, the study for each question has been written by a leader from across the diversity of the church with questions for reflection or discussion included in each section. Leader guides and a visual supplement are also included and available for download. The resource is a focus of the Year of Leader Formation. Events, announcements, and links are available and updated on the [Year of Leader Formation webpage](#). To receive periodic email updates, subscribe [here](#).

“We’ve Never Done It This Way Before”

We have said this countless times throughout the Covid-19 pandemic. At First Rolla, we like many of you, have modified our existing ministries and embarked on new ones. Recently, as the vaccine roll out

began in Missouri, we realized how difficult it is to register to receive it. There is no central database providing information, registration, or access. It all requires computer skills and monitoring different websites. Many of our senior adults wanted the vaccine, they just did not know how to get it. As this became apparent, the First Rolla Session organized the effort to help our folks navigate the process, register for the vaccine, and get to the appointments. The Deacons and Ruling Elders are working together to carry out this ministry together and help our most vulnerable members. We are thankful for good ideas and willing hearts who continue to minister through these days.

Free, Live-Streamed Conference

The 2021 **NEXT Church National Gathering** is an opportunity for all church leaders (pastors, educators, church members, ruling elders—everyone!) to join together for an online conference.

This year's gathering—

Breaking, Blessing, Building—A Call for Common Good—is March 5-7

Click [here](#) to learn more and register

NEXT Church PC(USA)—An invitation

You're invited to the ***2021 National Gathering: Breaking, Blessing, Building—A Call for Common Good*** on March 5-7. Despite the physical space that separates us, we know that our togetherness can make all the difference! This year, our conference is intentionally focusing on accessibility for all church leaders and celebrating the priesthood of all believers. The entire conference will be free and live-streamed. (Note: You're encouraged to utilize our Sunday Morning Worship (March 7) offering, which will be made accessible to stream in advance.) To learn more, register, and/or subscribe: please [visit the website](#).

Boundaries Training at Willow Springs March 16, noon-2:30

Lunch will be provided by the host church. We will follow the CDC current safety guidelines.

There will be other Boundaries Trainings scheduled through October of this year. If you would like to host a training, please contact Malinda Spencer.

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.

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Register for Boundaries Training at Willow Springs Presbyterian

SAVE THE DATE!

Equipping the Saints
will be held on

Saturday October 23, 2021

and feature
David Gambrell,
Associate for Worship and editor of Call to Worship.



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Women's Word

Volume 2, Issue 2

Winter 2021

[Click here to view "Women's Word" Winter 2021](#)

GenOn Ministries Round Table

Creating Church Community Among Generations During and After COVID Restrictions
Due to the interest of our Round Table last month, we are repeating the opportunity to gather with other church leaders via Zoom to discuss and share ways we have and can create community among generations in pandemic times (and times to follow). **There is no charge for this online gathering on Monday, February 22, 2021, 1:00-2:00pm EST.**

[CLICK HERE](#) to register in advance to receive Zoom access information.

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2021 LENT RESOURCE GUIDE

PREACHING * DEVOTION * EDUCATION

[Click to find the right resources for you!](#)

EMERGING NEEDS GRANT AVAILABLE.....

A new grant has been created to help congregations respond to emerging needs in their community, in response to the COVID-19 virus. Explanation and application for this grant can be found on our webpage.

[EMERGING NEEDS GRANT](#)

[Contact Us.....](#) [How can we help?](#)

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PULPIT SUPPLY LY for a minister leading worship and preaching for a congregation as a visiting minister should ordinarily receive \$125.00, plus the IRS approved mileage amount per vouchered mile (2021 IRS rate \$0.56 per mile) for one worship service. If two (2) services are required the honorarium is \$160.00 plus mileage. If overnight lodging is required, motel and meals should be provided at the church's expense. The honorarium for moderating a session or congregational meeting is \$60 plus the IRS approved mileage rate per vouchered mile.

**Click here for full pulpit supply
list**