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## SYNOD HIGHER EDUCATION GRANTS

Funds are available for Presbyterians in small congregations ( 90 members or less in Kansas, and 50 or less in Missouri and Illinois ), to use for higher learning (including trade schools and graduate study programs).

The application and accompanying materials can be found [here](#)

The deadline to turn in materials is August 1st at 5 p.m., CDT

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## REGISTER NOW FOR THE AUGUST 4th PRESBYTERY MEETING!

Join the Reverend Becky Schwandt and Ozark Presbyterian Church as they host our hybrid presbytery meeting! Come in person or Zoom in to do the work of the Church! We will examine an elder to become an Inquirer and learn about this year's General Assembly. Past Co-Moderator of General Assembly, the Reverend Cindy Kohlmann, will bring our sermon. We can hardly wait to see you!

Thursday, August 4, 2022 from 9:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

Welcome Time starts at 9 a.m. when coffee's ready, Zoom Room opens, and New Commissioner Welcome begins.

Location: Ozark Presbyterian Church, 1932 E. State Hwy. 14, Ozark, MO 65721

Masking and distancing are welcome but optional.

Lunch will be catered by Salvatore's Fresh Ristorante Italiano (homemade pasta, salad, bread) and desserts provided by the great cooks of Ozark Presbyterian Church. (Reserve lunch by July 29<sup>th</sup>; pay \$10 cash/check when you arrive.)

ALL COMMISSIONERS and PASTORS, please REGISTER. If you need an excused absence, you can request it during registration. Information to access the presbytery papers will be sent to everyone who registers after the packet has been posted.

## 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



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## 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

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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](mailto:rev.dslee@gmail.com)) if your church is interested hosting a Wednesday Bible Study.

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## 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.

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**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](#)

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**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](#)

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**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](#)

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**SAVE THE DATE--AUGUST 9--PRESBYTERY DAY AT ROARING RIVER STATE PARK, OPEN TO ALL JCP MEMBERS. BRING A PICNIC LUNCH**

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## 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.

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## 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!

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Board of Pensions will host the webinar: *Serve Better – Sustainable Practices* on Tuesday, August 9 from 1:00 – 2:00 P.M. (CDT) and again on Thursday, August 18 from 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. (CDT). Both webinars will be “live” and will cover the same content on each date.

Those who will benefit from the content includes church treasurers, personnel committee members, congregational decision-makers, plan administrators, COM members, presbytery leaders, and any who help establish benefits policies/ employment procedures for local churches and governing bodies.

[Register Here for the Board of Pensions Webinar](#)

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## Prayers Requested .....

- **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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If you would like to receive timely prayer requests and other additional emails, click [here](#) and say **add me!**

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