

JOHN CALVIN *Presbytery*

Notices

July 22, 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
 - St. Andrew @Hideaway Presbyterian, Galena, Missouri
 - St. Andrew Presbyterian, 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
 - Sarah Roberts, health concerns, wife of Matthew Roberts. The Reverend Matthew Roberts is pastor of Woodland Heights Presbyterian Springfield
 - 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.
 - Tony Wiatrak, Double pneumonia from COVID. Tony is the son-law of Reverend Susan Rosenbaum. Susan is an honorably retired minister, former stated clerk and former pastoral presbyter for JCP

Be sure to register for the **203rd Stated Meeting of John Calvin**

Presbytery, hosted via Zoom by First Presbyterian Church, Iola, Kansas and the Reverend Dan Davis.

The meeting starts at **9 a.m. on TUESDAY, AUGUST 3**. The Reverend Carlton Johnson, the Vital Congregations Coordinator from the Presbyterian Mission Agency, will lead us toward becoming more VITAL congregations. We will worship and learn, then conduct our business, including examining a candidate for ministry and awarding grants for ministry.

Register here for the 203rd Stated Meeting of JCP

Join your presbytery family
for a fun float trip!



SIGN-UP for FLOAT TRIP !!

On **Saturday, July 31st**, we are having a JCP-wide float trip!

We will be floating on the Jacks Fork River from Alley Springs to Eminence. This is a 7 mile float that takes about 3-4 hours of float time.

We welcome and encourage church groups – perhaps your youth group, women’s circle or men’s group want to come – that’s great! If you are the only one who wants to come from your church – that’s great too! We would love to see you. Invite friends, neighbors, and the kayaking aficionados in your life. This is a family friendly float so bring your kids.

The river difficulty is mainly categorized as **I** and occasionally **II** – which means even if you have *never* been in a kayak or canoe, you can do this!

Bring your own boat for \$15 *or* rentals are available. Pricing is \$35 for a kayak (we have the last 18 reserved so that is a first come first serve basis) and \$50 for a canoe.

Please contact Becky Schwandt (417-837-9051) if you have any questions.

We will need emergency contact information. Once you sign up a form will be available to you. Meals, drinks, and snacks are **not** included so you will need to bring what you think you will need!

Can’t wait to see you all on the river!

**[PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER REPRESENTING JCP
AS COMMISSIONER TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY](#)**

The application must reach the committee by **August 6, 2021**
Please send the completed application to **gwilson@jcpresbytery.com**

JCP will need a female ruling elder, a male teaching elder, and a YAAD (young adult advisory delegate) who must be at least 17 years of age and not more than

Application to Serve as GA Commissioner 2022

Application for Young Adult Advisory Delegate 2022 GA

The **225th General Assembly (2022)** will be different from any previous GA, with

- Hybrid opening plenaries on June 18: commissioners and advisory delegates from a quarter of the committees present in Louisville, and all others participating from home;
- Committees in person in Louisville, a quarter at a time over the course of two weeks, June 20 – July 2;
- Plenaries completely online July 5–9, after committee meetings conclude.

All meetings will be live-streamed, so anyone will be able to observe remotely.

**225th General Assembly (2022)
Website**

**225th General Assembly (2022)
Docket**



Presbyterian Planning Calendars

JCP will be ordering 2021–2022 Planning Calendars again this year. The price for each calendar will be determined when all orders are received.

[The deadline to order is July 30th.](#)

To order calendars email or text Gail Wilson, 417–838–4402
gwilson@jcpresbytery.com

This 16-month calendar (starting with September, 2021, and ending with December, 2022) contains many planning aids for pastors and other church leaders. Includes lectionary for Sundays and special days, liturgical days, liturgical colors, resource information for PC(USA) programmatic emphases, updated synod, presbytery and Presbyterian Mission Agency staff directories, color foldout synod/presbytery and world maps.

CRANE PRESBYTERIAN.....

Crane Presbyterian, along with Stone County Health Department, is hosting a [Drive Thru COVID–19 Vaccination Clinic](#) on Tuesday, August 10th beginning at 9am.

Currently less than 30% of Stone County residents are vaccinated, this means that this county is

more vulnerable to becoming hospitalized and dying from COVID-19. By raising vaccination rates we will be protecting ourselves and our neighbors (remember how Jesus told us to love our neighbors?) and reducing the likelihood of hospitalization and death if one does become infected with COVID-19.



THE BOARD OF PENSIONS
OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)

REMINDERS FROM THE BOARD OF PENSIONS...

Important note for employers:

Starting today, [Employer Agreements](#) are available on Benefits Connect. Employers use the Employer Agreement to review and select the benefits they will offer ministers and employees in 2022. Employers have through October 8 to make benefits decisions and submit it.

For Benefits Plan members:

Details about Call to Health, the Board of Pensions well-being program for Medical Plan members, is available at calltohealth.org. Members can reduce their medical deductibles for 2022 by as much as one-third if they complete Call to Health Level 1 by November 12, 2021.

REvangelism Conference— A message from Theology, Formation, and Evangelism

The REvangelism Conference, hosted by TFE in partnership with Montreat Conference Center, is a virtual event this year that will take us deeper into the new 8 Habits of Evangelism resource. If you are interested in exploring what it means to practice evangelism in 21st century contexts, we invite you to take a deeper dive with us. We will re-imagine, re-animate, re-define, re-envision what it means to practice evangelism through these 8 Habits together. We will have Shanea Leonard, Ralph Watkins, Leanne Van Dyk, Bruce Reyes-Chow, Tod Bolsinger, Aisha Brooks-Johnson, Vilmarie Cintrón-Olivieri, José Manuel Capella-Pratts, and so many others leading this conference time together online.

[Register today](#) for this great experience. You won't want to miss it!

Supporting Faith Formation at Home— A message from the Office of Christian Formation

Church leaders, are you looking for a way to support families and households in faith formation at home? The PMA has an offer of free resources to support [at-home faith formation with younger children!](#) We are using an endowment made possible from generous donors to help you receive a few resources through our partner, Presbyterian Publishing Corporation. These resources are specifically selected to help households with younger children to engage in Scripture and story books that highlight the vision of being a Matthew 25 faith community in the PC(USA). We consider households to include parents and children, grandparents and children, foster families, and even community outreach households. Think creatively about how you can reach young children and their guardians.



StewardshipKaleidoscope.org

September
13-15
2021

This annual conference offers education, worship, and amazing opportunities for growth in stewardship and generosity. Over two dozen workshops available to in-person attendees.

We will be in person in Cincinnati, Ohio, and online for a virtual experience.

Plenary Leaders

Rev. Dr. Tod Bolsinger
Assoc. Prof. of Leadership Formation
Fuller Theological Seminary
California

Rev. Dr. Brandi Casto-Waters
Pastor, Faith Presbyterian Church
Cape Coral, Florida

Rev. Dr. J. Herbert Nelson, II
Stated Clerk of the Presbyterian
Church U.S.A.

Worship Leader

Aimée Cole-Laramore
Philanthropic Strategist, African-
American Preaching and Sacred
Rhetoric, Christian Theological
Seminary & lead consultant, ALLy
Image Solutions

Rev. Elizabeth Eaton
Presiding Bishop of the Evangelical
Lutheran Church in America

[Stewardship Kaleidoscope ~ More Information](#)

Mark Your Calendars.... Presbytery-Wide Bible Study Offerings

[September 14 \(Tuesday\) at 7:00 pm via Zoom](#)

How Spirituality Develops through Our Lifetime by Kathy L. Dawson

This one session study endeavors to gather the thoughts of many people about how our faith in God changes over time. In Scripture we see many instances where God chooses the unexpected, seemingly unripe believer to be a spiritual leader.

Participants will discuss the relationship of body, mind, and spirit in faith maturation, and will apply their learning to the way different ages might approach the Bible. The characteristics of the spiritual development of different age groups appear throughout the study.

[Register Here for Tuesday, September 14 Bible Study](#)

October 5 (Tuesday) at 7:00 pm via Zoom

Bridging the Generation Gap through Storytelling by Nancy Ferguson

Not much has changed since the time of Isaac, Esau, and Jacob. Families still experience conflict and confusion; younger generations don't always understand older generations. In this one-session study for adults we'll learn about different generational traits and explore how telling stories can help families bridge the generation gaps to form stronger units.

The materials for each study will be emailed directly to each participant after registration, as well as the Zoom link. There is no charge to participate in either of these studies.

[Register Here for Tuesday, October 5 Bible Study](#)

**Watch for information coming soon on the Presbytery-wide
4-week Advent Study coming in December!**

EMERGENCY NEEDS GRANT

The 'Emergency Needs Grant', in response to COVID-19, is still available from JCP. Click on the box above to learn more.

BOUNDARIES TRAINING....

The Committee on Ministry voted that all who serve a church, Ministers, Commissioned Ruling Elders in JCP are required to attend training. This includes the pulpit supply list, and anyone preaching regularly in congregations.

If you would like to host a training, please contact Malinda. We would like to provide at least one more training besides the two that are shown below.

Malinda Spencer
Pastoral presbyter
John Calvin Presbytery
417-437-6748 (c) mspencer@jcpresbytery.com

Boundaries Training at **First Presbyterian Church of Iola, Kansas, August 17, 10 – Noon**

We will have lunch, provided by the host church, at the conclusion of the training.
We will follow the CDC current safety guidelines.

Please register for the training by clicking the button below

[Register Here - Boundaries - Iola Kansas](#)

EVENING Boundaries Training
at Ozark Presbyterian Church of Ozark, Missouri,
August 24, at 5 – 7 p.m. includes a light meal.

We will follow the CDC current safety guidelines.

**Boundaries Training at First Presbyterian Church of Joplin, Missouri,
September 22, at 10 a.m.**

We will have lunch, provided by the host church, at the conclusion of the training.
We will follow the CDC current safety guidelines.

Please register for the training by clicking the button below

Register Here - Boundaries - Joplin, Missouri

Contact Us..... How can we help?

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Per Capita, Shared Mission and special offerings to:
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P. O. Box 1394

PULPIT SUPPLY 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](#)