

Notices

July 8, 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 Presbyterian@Hideaway, Galena, Missouri
St. Andrew Presbyterian, Kimberling City, Missouri
First Presbyterian Church, Nevada, 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. Charley is serving as pastor of St. Andrew @Hideaway.

[Presbytery-Wide Float Trip](#)



Join your presbytery family
for a fun float trip!

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

Deadline to sign up is July 21st, but soon is better!

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!

SIGN-UP FOR THE FLOAT TRIP!!

Application to Serve as GA Commissioner 2022

**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 24 years of age, on June 18, 2022.

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

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WOMEN'S WORD

SUMMER NEWSLETTER



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.

The Synod of Mid–America has funds available for Presbyterians to use for higher education

These scholarships can be used for any accredited institution of higher learning (including trade schools and graduate study programs).

Scholarships are available/awarded per school year and renewable with application annually.

Scholarships are open to active Presbyterians within the Synod of Mid–America, and whose church membership qualifies in Kansas (total of 75 members or less) and Missouri (total of 50 members or less) as determined by membership reported December 31, 2019. Applicants will be judged on financial need, academic achievement, and involvement in the local church, school, and community. All scholarship applicants must be endorsed by their session and obtain a letter of support from the Clerk of Session or Pastor.

The deadline for application for Higher Education Scholarships is August 1, 2021.

Scholarship recipients will be notified by August 15, 2021.

[Click here to download a Higher Education Scholarship form.](#)

JCP HAS A PORTABLE PRAYER

LABRYNTH FOR YOUR USE!



Here is how Trinity Presbyterian of Shell Knob is using the prayer labyrinth....

Part of the mission of JCP is to provide ways for churches to minister to not only congregations, but also to the communities where they exist. As a ministry to congregations, one focus of JCP is spiritual growth. In order to help promote spiritual growth, JCP has a portable prayer labyrinth that it

loans to churches. Presently, the prayer labyrinth is in one of the classrooms at Trinity and members are encouraged to read the scriptures on the walls of the Fellowship Hall and the Family Worship Room in preparation for walking the prayer labyrinth. There will be instructions in the classroom to guide you on your walk. We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity to try a prayer labyrinth as a part of your spiritual growth.

If you are interested in using the portable prayer labyrinth, contact:

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Resources to Strengthen Church Vitality

The Foundation's Program, Church Financial Literacy and Leadership, provides pastors and church leaders with resources, tools and other support to help address the financial and leadership challenges of congregational ministry and mission in the 21st century. These resources help pastors to navigate the changing cultural context they face and to seek to strengthen the financial vitality of their congregations.

We invite you to explore each of these Church Financial Literacy and Leadership Program resources and engage with the tool(s) that suit your congregational goals:

[Church Financial Leadership Grant Program](#) – Grants are available to assist pastors in attending continuing education opportunities which will help them in leading their congregations toward financial and missional vitality. Church stewardship team members are encouraged to apply with their pastors.
www.presbyterianfoundation.org/grant

[Stewardship Navigator](#) – A free tool that offers resources and customized materials for your congregation, including usable templates, year-round guidance, a narrative budget builder, and assistance from your Ministry Relations Officer. We encourage pastors and their stewardship teams to sign up.
www.stewardshipnavigator.com

[Church Financial Leadership Academy](#) – E-learning platform ready to provide pastoral leaders with financial literacy education in a convenient online format that's available whenever you are ready. As a member of the Church Financial Leadership Academy, pastors will be able to create their own schedule of courses. You can also share the customized playlists with your stewardship team or your session! Get started today! Go to churchfla.org and use code PCUSA to sign up.

A Corp Resource Page

All levels of the PC(USA) from congregations to General Assembly have a variety of policies, some of them mandated. Because context matters, details vary; but often sessions and mid councils are interested in consulting national-level documents as they prepare their own.

This [collection from the Presbyterian Church \(U.S.A.\), A Corporation](#) includes documents from legal resources to HR and IT and more.

[Post Pandemic Pondering and Planning – A Resource for Faith Re-Formation](#)

[What Next?](#)

[College and Young Adult Sunday Worship Resources for August 8](#)

[Three new resources on children and grief](#)
[Supporting Grieving Children, Supporting Grieving Children Amid Loss](#)
[Activities for Children, and Supporting Grieving Children Resource Roadmap](#)

[Updated FAQs on Gathering in Person](#)

[Guide to Gathering Virtually.](#)

[We Can Do This: Toolkit](#)

[Care-Filled Worship and Sacramental Life in a Lingering Pandemic](#)

[Covid and Congregational Song Update, May 20, 2021](#)

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.

[Register Here - Evening Boundaries - Ozark Missouri](#)

**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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**Please mail all remittances
Per Capita, Shared Mission and special offerings to:
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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](#)