

# JCP NOTICES

September 11, 2019

A joyful, holy community of Christian believers, diverse yet united.  
Committed to serving Christ in the church and in the world.  
Prepared by God through the Holy Spirit for mission and ministry.

I Timothy 1:17  
(NRSV)

To the King of the ages,  
immortal, invisible,  
the only God,  
be honor and glory  
forever and ever. Amen.

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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 that are seeking a new pastor, to understand God's call moving forward.
  - First Presbyterian, Aurora, MO
  - First Presbyterian, Chanute, KS
  - First Presbyterian, Joplin, MO
  - First Presbyterian, Neosho, MO
  - First Presbyterian, Sarcoxie, MO
  - First Presbyterian, Scammon, KS
- 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
- Leona Wietsma and friend Judy. Complete healing from fracture-surgery. Peggy Wobbema's mother and friend. Peggy is pastor at Trinity, Shell Knob.
- Daughter-in-law of Dixie Voss Anders, health issues. Reverend Dixie Anders is serving as pastor at St. Andrew - Kimberling City
- Gail Wilson, Complete healing and recovery from back surgery, September 12. Gail is the Recording Clerk

**There are 8 extra copies of the 2019-2021 Book of Order for sale, \$8.20 each copy.  
Contact Malinda or Gail if you wish to secure a copy.**

Presbytery Day... Thursday, September 19... 10 a.m. to 2... First Presbyterian, Webb City

Mandatory Boundaries Training will begin at 10 a.m. and conclude at noon.

Lunch will be provided, **please let Malinda know** if you will be attending.

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**This will be last training session before the report to presbytery.**

**Pastors serving a congregation are required to complete boundaries training each year.**

# GA COMMISSIONER

**"Time is running out to apply for GA commissioner for 2020 in Baltimore! The Committee on Representation is looking for a **male ruling elder** and a **female teaching elder**. See instructions and application form on the website**

<http://www.jcpresbytery.com/ga.html>

**DEADLINE TO APPLY... SEPTEMBER 13**

## 224th General Assembly (2020) Deadlines

The 224th General Assembly (2020) will be in Baltimore, Maryland, from June 20-27, 2020.

**Deadlines for the assembly are:**

180-day: December 23, 2019 (report Commissioners and YAADs to OGA)

120-day: February 21, 2020 (amendment to/interpretation of *Book of Order*; reports to the assembly)

60-day: April 21, 2020 (overtures with financial implications)

45-day: May 6, 2020 (all other overtures, comments)

30-day: May 21, 2020 (consultation with affected entities)

## JCP Saturday Night Fellowship Invitation

K.O. Noonoo has suggested a new way to support, encourage, and fellowship with one another, while at the same time increasing our own ability to serve the church.

Here is the idea: gather for prayer and fellowship on Saturday nights, 8pm - 9pm, VIA ZOOM. We can use the Daily Prayer App and book as our guide. Other prayers can be added and interspersed. Psalms and other scriptures can be read and responded to in prayer.

JCP has an active Zoom account good for up to 50 people. Audio only option is available for those who prefer that.

Could you use a regular dose of Saturday night prayer and fellowship?



### **Here is how to join:**

Download the Zoom app to your phone or open in a browser on your computer.

Enter this URL <https://zoom.us/j/751824968>

**Or email Melana and she will give you send you the link directly.**

**Join Zoom Meeting !!!!**

# EQUIPPING THE SAINTS

A LEADERSHIP TRAINING DAY OFFERED BY JOHN CALVIN PRESBYTERY

OCTOBER 12, 2019

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN PC(USA) ~ 1900 E. BARATARIA ~ SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI

Registration cost is \$20 by October 1, or \$25 beginning October 2.

Registration includes continental breakfast, lunch, and a day of fellowship and learning.

Child care will be available by reservation before October 4.

Register online with the link on the home page of the website: <http://www.jcpresbytery.com/>

8:45-9:15 a.m. Registration

9:15 a.m. hymn sing, scripture, and prayer

9:30 a.m. **Absent in the Pews: Ministry with Young Adults**, morning keynote, Rev. Dr. Nishioka

At over 84 million, persons in their 20s and 30s, comprise 27% of the US population. Yet few of the them, even those we baptized and confirmed, are members of our congregations. Why is that? In this first conversation, we will explore who these young adults are and what they are seeking.



*Rodger Nishioka is an American preacher, Seminary professor, and Christian educator. He currently serves as director of Adult Educational Ministries at Village Church in Prairie Village, Kansas. He was previously the Benton Family Associate Professor of Christian Education at Columbia Theological Seminary.*

## WORKSHOP OPTIONS # 1

**1A. Coaching for Spiritual Growth** will introduce what coaching is and how it can help individuals, sessions, and congregations grow in their relationship with God in Christ. Come try some activities and maybe even have an opportunity to be coached on some aspect of growth in your life or in the life of your congregation. Coaching is part of Melana's job description and so does not cost anything for individuals or congregations within the presbytery. Come see how coaching might bring transformation.

*Melana Scruggs has been coaching for a year and a half and will soon be ACC certified by the International Coach Federation. She offers group and individual coaching and has coached several church sessions within the presbytery.*

**1B. Exploring What a Missional Church Looks Like** and how it can help to bring about new growth and revitalization for the Presbytery and the denomination! The session will include examples of exciting and creative New Worshiping Communities already started through the 1001 New Worshiping Communities Initiative and how 1001 can be a resource for your presbytery and Church Planters.

*Rev. Shawn Kang, a SFTS graduate, planted a new congregation in Houston in 2004. Starting with 8 folks, the church chartered and grew to become a truly multi-cultural, multi-racial, inter-generational, and socio-economically diverse congregation. Shawn is now working half time with 1001 and part time with the Presbytery of New Covenant and starting a New Worshiping Community called Mosaic Village Church.*

**1C. Creating a Culture of Generosity** Is your congregation's approach to stewardship stuck in a rut? Are you living in a state of scarcity and longing for abundance? This workshop will outline a program that has moved churches from a four-week stewardship campaign to a year-round culture of generosity. Learn how to form your Generosity Team, how to create an activities calendar for your church's funds ministry, how to prepare a narrative budget, and how to integrate all aspects of your church into the life of generosity.

*Presbyterian Foundation Representative Lisa Longo*

**1D. Electronics in the Worship Service** We will explore different levels of electronics in worship including music, PowerPoint, projection and videos. Come with questions about connections, equipment, and other practical considerations.

*Rev. Jack Cormack, Hillcrest and Gibson Chapel churches, Springfield*

**1E. Worship and Spirituality During the Advent Season** How is our observance of Advent changing? What assumptions are built into the way we plan for seasons like Advent? How can our Advent planning remain "light," not requiring significant funds or even the centralized work of a pastor? What's going on within us and around us during December? What is it that we "need" during this season? We will cover possible Advent themes, ideas and frameworks that can be adapted for your situation, and offer time to collaborate among the group.

*Rev. Jared Witt, Fort Scott church*

WORKSHOP CHOICES CONTINUED ON FOLLOWING PAGE.....

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11:45 – Lunch

12:30 - 1:30 - **WORKSHOP OPTIONS #2**

**2A. Adult Education Galore**--Adult education is the bedrock for Christian education, and it is how we learn about worship, mission, and stewardship. It is a way for members to give pastoral care. We will look at ways to make your adult education vibrant.

*Malinda Spencer, pastoral presbyter of John Calvin Presbytery*

**2B. Church Security** will explore the 4 basics areas of church security: Health, Weather, Fire/Smoke and Intruder/Active Shooter. How and where to start, how to train, what about insurance and the law? Questions will be welcome.

*Rev. Jack Cormack, Hillcrest and Gibson Chapel churches, Springfield*

**2C. Electronic Giving** As our society becomes more reliant on e-commerce, it is time for our congregations to join in. There are people in the pews who would participate in giving but don't because they cannot use their plastic or their smart phone. Church is the only place left where they can't give their money with a click. Who are these givers? What are the tools they use? How much do these tools cost the church? Who are the vendors? What do you need to know to make a decision?

*Lisa Longo, Presbyterian Foundation*

**2D. Exploring What a Missional Church Looks Like**—see description 1B above

**2E. Advent Themed Arts**—Enhance your Advent observance by creating art to do with your congregation

**1:45 p.m. Present in the Pews: Growing in Faith**, closing keynote, *Rev. Dr. Nishioka*

As the PC(USA) continues to age faster than the US population, the Holy Spirit is showing us new ways of being church. In this conversation, we will explore some of the trends and practices that are shaping our ministry in these days.

**3:00 p.m.** - On our way home

Equipping the Saints will offer a workshop led by our Presbyterian Foundation rep on this topic.

[https://www.pcusa.org/news/2019/8/3/theology-and-online-giving-tied-together/?utm\\_source=ActiveCampaign&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_content=Presbyterian+Church+USA+Weekly+News&utm\\_campaign=Presbyterian+Church+USA+Weekly+News+%7C+July%2F+Aug+31-06+2019](https://www.pcusa.org/news/2019/8/3/theology-and-online-giving-tied-together/?utm_source=ActiveCampaign&utm_medium=email&utm_content=Presbyterian+Church+USA+Weekly+News&utm_campaign=Presbyterian+Church+USA+Weekly+News+%7C+July%2F+Aug+31-06+2019)



# HOW CAN WE HELP?

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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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