

JOHN CALVIN Presbytery

JCP Notices

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All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!

PWJCP Spring Newsletter [can be found here](#)

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance responds to extensive damage from tornadoes, including Little Rock

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New Staff!

Please welcome Becky Schwandt and Rachel Holcomb!

[Becky Schwandt - Stated Clerk](#)



The Rev. Becky Schwandt was ordained as a Minister of Word and Sacrament in July of 2009. She grew up in John Calvin Presbytery and has spent much of her life in the area. Becky attend and graduated from Springfield Public School and graduated from Drury University with a Bachelor of Arts in Religious Studies. She then went on to Louisville Theological Seminary and received her Master of Divinity degree in 2008 and her Master of Theology degree with a focus in Hebrew Bible in 2010. Becky has been an active part of the PCUSA and John Calvin Presbytery. She has served as both a Young Adult Advisory Delegated and a Teaching Elder Commission at General Assembly for JCP, been on staff for the children's program for 2 Big Tent Conferences, served 2 terms one the Administrative Ministries Committee, 3 terms on Mission and Nurture Committee, and been a part of General Council. Becky is very excited to move into this new role as the Stated Clerk of John Calvin Presbytery. She hopes to continue to serve this presbytery with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love.

In addition to being the Stated Clerk, Becky is the pastor at Ozark Presbyterian Church in Ozark, Missouri. Her niece, Sophie, is almost 15 and about a year and a half ago moved in with Becky. Sophie is a freshman at Parkview High School in Springfield. In her free time, or time creating sabbath rest, Becky enjoys kayaking on our wonderful Missouri rivers running through state and national forests, and playing cards, board games, or mystery boxes. She is an aspiring quilter and trying her hand at some other crafty type projects. Becky also has two adorable (and wild) corgis - Gryphin who is 2 and Ellie who is 6 months.

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Rachel Holcomb – Communication Information Assistant



Hello! My name is Rachel Holcomb. I am so excited to be your new Communication Information Assistant. I was asked to share a little about me with you, so here goes! I grew up in Grove, OK. After high school, I went to Missouri Southern State University and graduated with a BS in marketing. I realized that the private sector was not my passion so a few years later I decided to go back to school. I chose the University of Texas at Dallas and received a Mater's in Public Affairs. My initial goal with this degree was to run a non-profit. I love people and I feel like my purpose in life is to help others achieve their goals. I moved to Southwest Missouri in 2013 and eventually ended up working for local government. I find it fascinating how cities and towns are run and I truly believe that local

government is the backbone of America. You have a direct impact in the daily lives of your citizens.

I have two children who are the light of my life, Violet - 7, and Alvie - 5. We also have a Beagle/Border Collie mix named Brandy. Life is very busy, and we love being active! Some things I enjoy in my limited free time are reading, crocheting, and baking. Again, I am honored to be a part of your organization and I look forward to meeting you and helping you in any way I can.

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PLAN NOW FOR 2023

Dates for the 2023 Stated Meetings of John Calvin Presbytery

Saturday, February 25, 2023 at Hillcrest, Springfield, **in person** with live streaming available

Thursday, May 18, 2023, by **Zoom only**

Thursday, August 3, 2023, by **Zoom only**
Saturday, November 4, 2023, **in person** with live streaming available

Prayers Requested

- **All churches seeking** a new pastor, to understand God's call moving forward.

First Presbyterian Church, Aurora, 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

- All Pastors of John Calvin Presbytery

Prayer submissions will remain on the prayer list for two weeks,
unless an update is received.

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