

JCP Notices

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Thank you to all who came out to watch the
Springfield Cardinals! [Click here](#) to view a
slideshow of the game!

Thank you to Jim and Linda Holt for organizing
this great event! There were 50 fans in
attendance.

Most people from one church: Aurora (20)
Longest Drive: Iola
Youngest: Kimberling City (8 years)

Oldest: No comment

Last to leave: Crane & Kimberling City

Cardinals won in extra innings! Can't wait until next year!



We will need:

1. A female teaching elder
 2. A male ruling elder
 3. A YAAD
 4. An alternate for each of the above
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Synod of Mid-America



2023 Innovation Grants

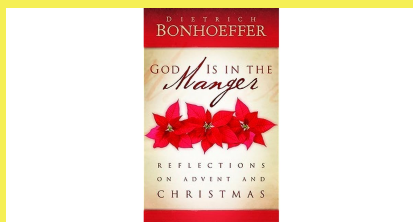
To foster creative and replicable mission projects that address the PCUSA's Matthew 25 focus areas in:

\$5,000 minimum per presbytery for each of the six SoMA presbyteries to support congregations that engage in innovative mission projects.

- Dismantling structural racism,
- Eradicating systemic poverty, and
- Revitalizing congregations.

DEADLINE
October 1, 2023
5:00 P.M.

For more information and application forms,
visit www.synodma.org/grants



These 40 stirring devotions will guide and inspire you as you move thematically through the weeks of Advent and Christmas, from waiting and mystery to redemption, incarnation, and joy. These daily reflections are timeless and moving reminders of the true meaning of Christmas.

Mark your calendars for the upcoming Advent Study.

Tuesdays at 11:00 am or 7:00 pm
November 28
December 5, 12, 19

Register for 11:00 am study [here](#)

Register for 7:00 pm study [here](#)

The deadline is **October 18th** for book orders. Books can be picked up at the November 4th Presbytery meeting or mailed to you. Cost of the book is \$12.00 plus shipping cost.

Boundaries Training

Boundaries Training is **required** for all pastors, moderators, and supply preachers.

*****Willard Mt. Zion Presbyterian Church**
October 18th
10am to 1pm

*****This will be the last training of the year! All pastors, moderators, and pulpit supply are required to attend one session this year.**

The Committee on Ministry will be recommending a 3% increase in presbytery minimum salary for 2024. This recommendation will be voted on at the November stated presbytery meeting.

Grant Opportunities

Small Church Grant

Creative Ministries Grant

**Presbyterian Women in John Calvin
Presbytery Fall Gathering**

[Click here for registration form.](#)

Greetings!

This is a reminder (with registration form attached) to those of us who have put off registering for the Fall Gathering of



Presbyterian Women.

The women of Ft. Scott have planned a day of worship and enlightenment with the theme -- Embracing the "We" in Empowering "Love."

All the information you will need is included on the registration form. We are looking forward to this day and to seeing you there.

Blessings to you and yours,

Joan Russell, Co-moderator
Linda Jackson, Co-moderator
Jo Ann Anderson, Secretary
Susan Uffmann, Treasurer

Sermon in Your Pocket

Dr. Tim Slemmons of Dubuque Seminary will lead a Zoom class for elders interested in writing a sermon. This class will be entry level for those with limited (or no) preaching experience.

[REGISTER HERE!](#)

Questions? Please contact:

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When: Saturday, October 21, 2023, from 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Saturday, October 28, 2023, from 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Where: Online

Cost: \$30 payable by check. Please send payment to:
John Calvin Presbytery
P.O. Box 1394
Ozark, MO 65721



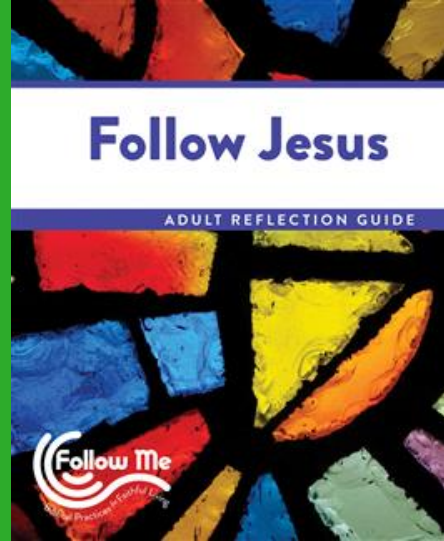


Worship and the Arts with A Sanctified Art – September 18- 21, 2023

We are called to worship God with our whole, authentic selves, but our worship services don't always reflect all facets of our being.

"Worship and the Arts" - a retreat led by Anna Strickland of A Sanctified Art – will encourage us to break out of our worship boxes with sessions that span from big-picture planning to the smallest details, from simple changes to big projects, from theological foundations to practical tips. Not only will we claim our creativity - our birthright as children of the Creator whose image we bear - and use these gifts to craft services that invite all people to worship God with their whole being, we will gather in the sanctuary of the Heartland Retreat Center outside Kansas City, Mo to laugh, to reflect, to pray, to eat, and to connect. Participants will leave with resources in hand to plan for the upcoming year.

Limited spots available. Follow this link to register, <https://opsfomaha.wufoo.com/forms/worship-w-a-sanctified-art-retreat/>



Presbytery-Wide Bible Study October 3, 10, 17, 24

The study will be offered at
11:00 am and at 7:00 pm

We will be using the PCUSA curriculum Follow Me: Biblical Practices for Faithful Living. The unit used for this 4 week study is entitled:
Follow Jesus

Following Jesus is something all of us are called to do every day of our lives. Following Jesus is an invitation to discipleship, an ongoing practice that we accept again and again. Learn how following Jesus translates to loving God and neighbor and bearing witness to God's love and justice in our everyday world. Let this practice become the lens through which you see the world as you explore this unit, Follow Jesus.

Please note in your registration if you would like us to order your book for you. The cost is \$8.00 per book plus shipping. Books must be ordered no later than September 20th. If you prefer to order your book directly from the PCUSA Store, the cost is \$9.00 per book plus their shipping

and handling fees.

If you have any questions,
please email Celeste Dahlgren
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**Register here for the
Follow Jesus Bible Study
at 11:00 am**

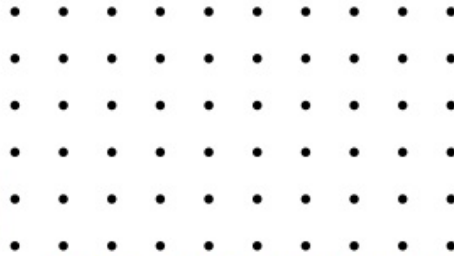
**Register here for the
Follow Jesus Bible Study
at 7:00 pm**

HASEMAN LECTURES

ENDOWED IN MEMORY OF FPC MEMBERS WILBUR AND JUNE HASEMAN, THE HASEMAN LECTURES BRING THOUGHT-PROVOKING SPEAKERS TO COLUMBIA TO STIMULATE INTEREST IN THE BIBLE, CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY, AND SPIRITUALITY.

OCTOBER 28, 2023. 10 AM & 2 PM

**OCTOBER 29, 2023
9:30 AM & 10:30 AM**



Rev. Dr. Damayanthi Niles

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PRESENTS:

2023 HASEMAN LECTURES

**"HOW TO BE GOOD NEIGHBOURS:
A CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY FOR A PLURALISTIC WORLD"**

The Rev. Dr. Damayanthi Niles, ordained as a Minister of Word and Sacrament in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), is the Professor of Constructive Theology (Allen and Dottie Miller Professor of Mission and Peace) for Eden Theological Seminary in St. Louis, MO. Her writing and research have been focused on constructive and contextual theology. She has taught courses on foundational theology, missiology, and post-colonial thought. She has also served as the research associate of the Christianity in Asia Project at the Centre for Advanced Religious and Theological Studies at Cambridge University, United Kingdom. Dr. Niles brings to her classes a unique perspective as a "true citizen of the world." Having lived, worked, and studied in several countries, she can offer international insights and interpretations on theological issues. Dr. Niles was inducted into the Martin Luther King Collegium of Scholars at Morehouse College in 2008. Her publications include *Doing theology with Humility Generosity and Wonder: A Christian Theology of Pluralism*. Dr. Niles was born in Jaffna Sri-Lanka. Her degrees include a Bachelor of Arts from St. Olaf College, a Master of Divinity from Princeton Theological Seminary, and a Ph.D. from the University of Chicago. She joined the Eden Seminary faculty in 2000.



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Giving Beyond Cash

Do you only ask for gifts of cash or marketable securities from your church members or supporters?

Did you know there are billions of dollars in privately held interests owned by very philanthropically-minded individuals who would love to make a gift to your congregation or religious non-profit?

Do you know how to encourage your church members and donors to consider those gifts or how to spot those who may hold these more complex assets?

Sign up for our webinar to learn what to look for proactively and how to build trust with church members and supporters who can make these special gifts. **Bryan Clontz of Charitable Solutions** will be our guest speaker.

On **September 20 at 12 noon Eastern/9am Pacific**, Bryan will join Greg Rousos of New Covenant Trust Company and the Presbyterian Foundation and James W. Murphy of the Episcopal Church Foundation to review how anyone can work with our programs to encourage and finalize gifts like these.

[Register Here!](#)

International Peacemaker Schedule

September 23—Presbyterian Women Gathering in Fort Scott,
9:30-2:00pm - lunch at gathering

September 24—Worship leadership, FPC Fort Scott (morning),
Presentation at FPC Joplin at 2:15pm.

September 25— Speaking to the general public and students at the
Student Union at 4:00
There will be a gathering at the church following-
time yet to be determined.

September 26—Willard presentation at 3:30pm,
Ozark presentation at 6:30pm

September 27—Crocker, MO for a town visit, lunch, and presentation
at 2pm to several churches, time for questions and a reception. Leave
at 4pm and drive to St. Louis for hotel accommodations



[Church Financial Leadership Coaching Program](#)

A program for pastors

At the Presbyterian Foundation, we believe it is important to resource pastoral leaders and the congregations they serve in the areas of church financial literacy and leadership. We have established a national coaching network to help address the challenges faced by pastoral leaders and promote sustainability and excellence in ministry.

The Presbyterian Foundation's **Church Financial Leadership Coaching Program** is a **free, 12-month coaching program** for church pastors that will assist you in leading your congregation down the path of financial sustainability to fulfill your church's mission.

[For more information](#)

[Prayers Requested](#)

Mike Tamburrino – Prayers for a quick recovery

Debbie Fraski – Surgery

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
First Presbyterian Church, Rolla, Missouri
The Presbyterian Church of Pittsburg
First Presbyterian Church, Sarcoxie, Missouri
First Presbyterian Church, Scammon, Kansas
Community Presbyterian Church, Forsyth, Missouri

JCPDA

All Pastors of John Calvin Presbytery

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Liturgies for busy pastors

[Advent 4](#)
[Christmas 1](#)

Prayer submissions will remain on the prayer list for two weeks, unless an update is received. To submit a prayer request, please email cia@jcpresbytery.com

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