



JCP NOTICES

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Friday, February 3, 2012

Listen, my sons, to a father's instruction; pay attention and gain understanding. I give you sound learning, so do not forsake my teaching. Proverbs 4:1-2

From Your Pastoral Presbyter....

I have just returned from an orientation in Louisville, KY and I will have to say it was one of the most helpful continuing education events I have attended in recent years. The program is called Presbytery Leadership Formation and it is sponsored by the Association of Executive Presbyters, the Office of General Assembly and the Synod of Mid America. This program was developed to help those called to Mid Council leadership (leadership at the Presbytery level) for the first time to be successful in their call. The thing that impressed me about this training was that we were not just listening to what the leadership was saying and filing it away in our folders. We actually had to take what they were presenting and put it into practice. As newly called presbytery leaders, we had little experience in our positions and when we were given situations to deal with, we had no prior background to help us deal with each situation – we just had to do it the best way we knew how. And after we were done, we were critiqued in a manner that was helpful and that we could remember. This was a wonderful experience and just the beginning of a three year program. There will be a week of residency required each year beginning in May at which time our first assignments will be due. I want to thank you for allowing me to participate in this program. You have made it possible through funding of tuition and through allowing me to attend. I am praying that what I learn from this process will benefit us all.

Susan

***165th Stated Meeting of
John Calvin Presbytery
Bethany Presbyterian
Saturday, February 25, 2012***



Live Streaming of Presbytery Meeting

The next meeting of Presbytery will be at Bethany Presbyterian in Joplin, Missouri on Feb. 25, 2012. Bethany has the capability to live stream their worship services and has offered to live stream the presbytery meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting but are interested in the worship and programs listed here, go to www.mybethanypc.org, scroll to the bottom of the page and click the link that takes you to their live feed.

The presbytery meeting will begin with worship and communion. The Rev. Dave Burgess, pastor at First, Joplin, will preach. The Rev. Rodney Peters, pastor at Bethany, will share in worship leadership. There will be a memorial moment for the Rev. Dr. Bill Christman and prayers will be lifted for the continued reconstruction work in Joplin.

Following worship we will have a time of sharing of best practices from churches in the presbytery. Chris Williams will share The Bible in 90 Days program. Ellen Brantley will talk about how Consecration Sunday worked at Westminster as part of their stewardship emphasis. Greg Esselman will share how Financial Peace University helped people in the church and the community. Dennis Winzenried will talk about the power of small group work using Unbinding the Gospel. There will be time for questions after each presentation. If you are watching via streaming, you can ask a question by emailing it to melanascruggs@gmail.com and your question will be forwarded to the presenter.

We will conduct business together in the afternoon and people can see and hear what is presented. The only thing you will miss by streaming is the opportunity to vote on issues. Only commissioners present in the room will be eligible to vote. We do hope that many people in our congregations who have never had the chance to attend a presbytery meeting might take this opportunity to get a feel for our connectionalism through this venue.

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The "JCP Notices" will be published on a weekly basis, typically circulated on a Friday. Please email all joys, concerns or items wishing to be published to the Gail at johncalvinpresby@gmail.com by 12 noon on Wednesday. Thank you so much.



Mission Statement...

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.

For Pastors...If your terms of call changed for 2012 you need to fill out a CHANGE FORM for the Board of Pensions and send it to them.

Go to www.pensions.org - click on FORMS and DOCUMENTS. In the search box enter ENR-103. Print, fill out the form, have your clerk sign it and fax or mail to the Board of Pensions.

Please make the following changes to the John Calvin Presbytery directory...

Under **Ozark Prairie Presbyterian Church Mt. Vernon** change Peggy Wobbema's home phone number to 417-865-7049, her cell phone number to 417-425-9394 and her email address chaplainpjw@sbcglobal.net

New email address for clerk of session at **First Presbyterian ~ Golden City**, Barbara Nichols is barbnichols69@gmail.com

TO REACH...

Pastoral Presbyter,
[Susan Rosenbaum](mailto:Susan.Rosenbaum@gmail.com) -
email:
pastoralpresbyter@gmail.com.

Stated Clerk,
[Melana Scruggs](mailto:melanascruggs@gmail.com) -
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Our new website is
jcpresbytery.com

THE PRESBYTERY OFFICE IS OPEN ...

Tuesdays, Wednesdays
and Thursdays
from 9:30am-1:30pm.

A trained volunteer,
Susan, Melana or Gail
staffs the office.

Willard Mount Zion Presbyterian Church in Willard, Missouri is now taking applications to fill the position of Youth Ministries Director.

The position requires the applicant to be willing to teach reformed theology, have a strong passion for youth ministries, be available all day on Sunday's, (except during vacation or other excused absences.) We are looking for someone to teach the youth group each Sunday, including but not limited to mission trips, (local and across the country) school functions and other activities. The applicant should have strong organizational skills, be able to develop strong mutual bonds with the youth, and have a great love of Christ.

The position will receive a 2 week paid vacation to be taken during the summer months, or as approved by the pastor and the faith development chairperson. The yearly salary at this time will not exceed \$6,000. There will be a 90 day probationary term with a review at the end of the probation. Salary will be dependent on experience and the final job description.

Please contact Pastor Lorraine Dill at 417-742-3217 (leave message if needed) or email resume or other questions/comments to mld-ill53@aol.com. We will hold interviews as needed to coincide with everyone's schedule. Thank you.

The Presbyterian Church in Pittsburg, KS has a music library of upper level SATB anthems that would be appropriate for the entire liturgical year. If a church choir director is interested in borrowing music, please contact Susan Laushman at laush88keys@hotmail.com directly, and she will be happy to assist them in determining if Pittsburg has something that would be usable for their choir.