

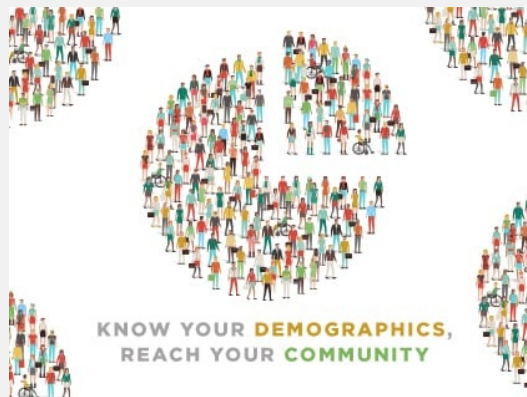


*February 19, 2020*

## Presbytery News

### **HOW WELL DOES YOUR CHURCH KNOW YOUR COMMUNITY?**

Homestead Presbytery has recently acquired a three-year membership to MissionInsite, an online resource that will give your church important and in-depth insight into the cultural context of your church's surrounding neighborhood and larger community. It is available for every church in our presbytery at no cost to you!



*All your church needs to do is assign someone to be the church's lead in using MissionInsite (known as the "church administrator") and register to be approved to use it. The instructions in how to register is in the link below.*

If you have any questions, contact Steve Earl ( [stephene@homesteadpres.org](mailto:stephene@homesteadpres.org)) or Zac Wolfe ( [pastorzacwolfe@gmail.com](mailto:pastorzacwolfe@gmail.com)). Watch your email for more information coming soon!

**Registration Instructions Here!**

### **Hope for the Journey Ahead - A Lenten Worship Resource**

Homestead Presbytery's New Worshipping

Communities & Church Vitality Committee is providing the following “Season of Lent – Hope for the Journey Ahead” reflections for congregations who are considering how and where God is moving their understanding of what it means to be “church” in a changing community and world.



As we enter the Season of Lent, we pray that these reflections will provide encouragement, and confirm God’s faithfulness as He leads and fits us for the journey ahead.

Your partners in the journey,  
Members of the New Worshiping Communities and Church Vitality Committee

[Download Here!](#)

## Help tie fleece blankets at Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church (Lincoln)

**FOR THOSE STILL DEALING WITH FLOOD DISASTER in Homestead Presbytery**

**When?**

**SATURDAY, 2/22/2020 – 9am to Noon**

**SATURDAY, 2/29/2020 – 1 to 4 pm**



**ALL AGES WELCOME!!!!**

**Male or Female – easily learned!**

**No special skills needed – just a ♥ for mission!**



## You're invited to... A Potluck and Conversation

An informal gathering for lay people and/or their committees who are interested in promoting creation care within their congregations.

We'll be taking about:

- Our own appreciation and concern for creation
- Challenges we face in our congregations
- Projects we have tried or would like to try
- Resources we recommend
- Ways we could support and encourage each other

**Bring a dish to share and your own table service.  
Coffee and water provided.**

**When:** Tuesday, February 25th, 2020

6:00-8:00 pm

**Where:** Westminster Presbyterian Church - Cole Hall  
2110 Sheridan Boulevard, Lincoln

**RSVP:** to Laurel Van Ham - [Ivanham@windstream.net](mailto:Ivanham@windstream.net)  
402-483-1641

## Summer Mission Camp 2020



**WHEN:** June 1-6  
**WHERE:** Estes Park, CO

An amazing time awaits all those who venture to the Rockies for SMC 2020. We're looking for Middle & High School Youth ready to dive into some amazing experiences during our time on the mountainside next June. Space is limited so you'll want to register early for your chance at this challenging opportunity for youth groups and their leaders. We're already working hard to prepare for you at SMC 2020, see you in June!

[Learn More and Register!](#)

## Opportunities to Learn and Grow

### Hope for the Journey Ahead: Becoming A More Vital Congregation

**Are you Interested in:**

- Measuring the health and vitality of your congregations?
- Understanding what it means to be a lifelong disciple of Jesus Christ?
- Empowering servant leadership in the life of your church?



**Keynote Speaker:** Rev. Dr. Kathryn Threadgill,  
associate for Vital Congregations in the Presbyterian Mission Agency

**Friday, March 6th:**

7:00 - 9:00pm Reception and Conversation with Rev. Threadgill

**Location: TBA**

**Saturday, March 7th:**

9:00 am - 4:00 pm "Exploring the Seven Marks of Vital Congregations"

- Rev. Dr. Threadgill

**Location:**

The Champions Club,  
707 Stadium Dr, Lincoln, NE 68501

**Cost: FREEEEE!**

**Registration ends March 2nd!**

\* If due to travel requirements, a hotel is needed for Friday night, financial assistance may be available through Homestead Presbytery. Please note this on your Registration.

**REGISTER  
NOW!**

**Download  
Flyer**



**SAVE THE  
DATE!!**

**2020 Pastors School**  
May 18-21, 2020  
Glacier Camp, Lakeside  
Montana

Stay tuned for more information!

**Great Plains Small Church Connection Conference**

**Dates:** May 4-6, 2020

**Theme:** Make a Joyful Noise Unto the Lord

**Featured Speaker:** Kevin McChesney  
Composer/Arranger of Handbell Music

**Registration options:**

-Double Occupancy On-Site Stay: \$200 per person

-Single Occupancy On-Site Stay : \$250 per person ( limited – Register Early!)

-Commuter – Conference & Meals Only \$100 per person



**REGISTER NOW!**



Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)  
**Presbyterian Mission**

## **Presbyterian Mission Agency offers communications workshops**

Can your congregation say yes to these statements?

- Our church has a clear and concise goal in mind for its communications.
- Our church maximizes the use of its social media platforms.
- Our church's website is easy to navigate and tells the congregation's story.

If you're not sure about your congregation's responses to any of these statements, you may want to schedule a communications workshop in 2020.

The workshops are completely free of charge. For more information or to schedule your 2020 communications workshop contact Gail Strange at [gail.strange@pcusa.org](mailto:gail.strange@pcusa.org) or call 800.728.7228, ext. 5340.

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# NEXT STEP



a group  
coaching  
experience for  
people in  
ministry

Is your ministry thriving?  
Is every day a struggle?

No matter where you are on the spectrum of work success/satisfaction, there is always room for growth... always a NEXT STEP that can be taken.

- Ready to add a new program or service to your ministry repertoire?
- Need help negotiating time management issues?
- Want to find a way to give more attention to self care?

This six-session curriculum moves participants through a process of discerning a personalized next step, creating a plan of action, and preparing for possible obstacles.

In this group, both participants and coaches work in ministry, ensuring an atmosphere of meaningful, authentic support and understanding.

- Meet via Zoom
- Two 60-minute sessions/month
- \$125/month
- Thursdays, 2 pm EST
- Feb 13, 27; Mar 12, 26; Apr 9, 30

#### MEET YOUR LEADERS

**Jim Robey** is the first United Methodist clergy to be endorsed for the Ministry of Life Coaching. He is a Master Certified Coach, credentialed by the International Coaching Foundation. His ministry takes him across the United States and the world to work with a variety of church and non-profit groups.

**Kill Wenburg** serves as Parish Associate at the First Presbyterian Church in Hastings, Nebraska, and also works privately as a spiritual director and coach.

#### REGISTER FOR THE GROUP

CoachJimRobey@gmail.com or 205.960.3157

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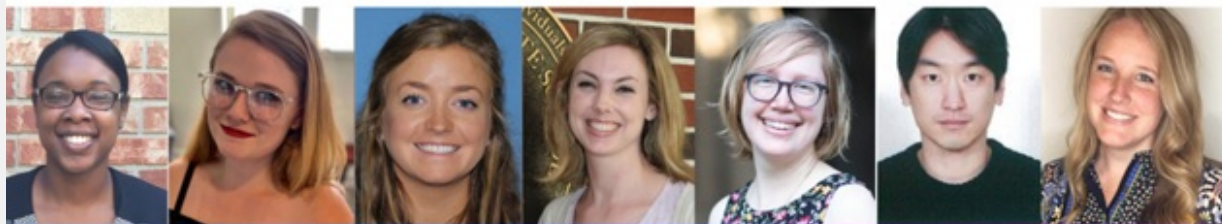
# Apollo Scholarships

2020 applications now being accepted



*Congratulations* to the 2019 Apollo Scholarship Award Winners!

Will you be one in 2020? Apply TODAY!



For qualifications & application visit  
[omahapresbyterianseminaryfoundation.org](http://omahapresbyterianseminaryfoundation.org)

**You are eligible for an Apollo Scholarship if you are ...**

1. An individual who possesses qualities of excellence for ministry
2. A member of a Presbyterian Church (USA) congregation
3. Currently under the care of a Presbytery as an Inquirer or a Candidate
4. Accepted or enrolled as a full-time student in the Master of Divinity, Master of Arts or Dual degree program in one of the nine Presbyterian seminaries

**DEADLINE April 15, 2020**

**APPLY NOW**

## Pastoral Excellence Programs for Mid-Career Clergy and Women of Color Announced

### The Colloquy for Mid-Career Clergy

September 9-11, 2020 and  
January 4-6, 2021

The co-facilitators are Dr. Betty Pugh Mills and Rev. Jonathan W. Ball.

### The Colloquy for Women of Color

September 14-16, 2020 and  
January 25-27, 2021

This Colloquy features three facilitators, Karma Bowen-Johnson, Lilian (Luky) Cotto and

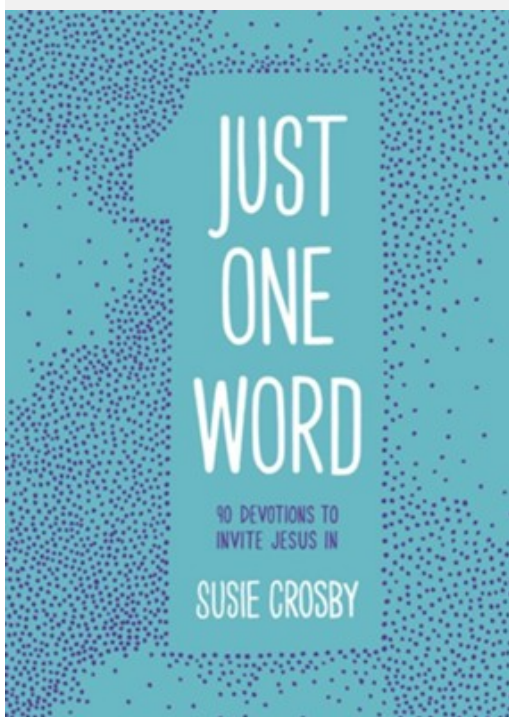
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The Colloquy for Clergy Series offers clergy an opportunity to engage as reflective practitioners in a peer-learning, peer-mentoring experience. Each Colloquy includes a summer and winter session; participants must commit to attend both sessions.

## *Get Lost in a Book*



**Click Image to Order!**

There is power in words. The words we read and the words we speak. Power to build and power to destroy. One word-just one-is all it takes to turn a day around. Just one word is all it takes to set your mind on the never-ending power of God's work in your life.

In these delightful meditations, Susie Crosby draws out one unexpected word from a daily Scripture verse-words like "steep," "roomy," and "multiply." As she explores each theme, she shows you a mighty God who is there for you, who calls you to live, and who you can invite into your day with just one word.

Here you will find a simple and heartfelt recipe for keeping your eyes on Jesus throughout your week. Uncover a wealth of spiritual insight in just one word!

## *Weekly Prayer Requests*

### ***Lincoln Southern Heights***

Prayers are requested for the well being and prosperity of the Lincoln Southern Heights congregation. May they continue to grow as a caring and nurturing Christian community, as well as individuals, focusing on prayer, Bible study and worship.



# *Lincoln Westminster*

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## **Homestead Presbytery**

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**Monday-Thursday** 9:00am-4:00pm

**Friday** 9:00am-12:30pm

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