



March 4, 2020

Presbytery News

Aha Coaching

Igniting the Creativity in You

Why coaching? Because a coach will:

- ✓ Listen deeply
- ✓ Be a thought partner with you as you explore intriguing opportunities
- ✓ Ask powerful questions and use direct communication
- ✓ Walk with you in creating action plans and goal setting
- ✓ Encourage you to stretch toward living your fulfilling life
- ✓ Help promote self-knowledge and awareness

Interested in Learning More?

Contact Becky Balestri with your questions, set up a free consultation session, and then set a date to start coaching!

As an ordained Presbyterian minister, Becky has served as an installed pastor and done interim ministry. After 28 years of congregational ministry, Becky understands the needs and hopes of pastors. She is the program manager for a pastoral coaching program with 50 pastors. In addition to life and leadership coaching, she is particularly passionate about coaching pastors in their first call, pastors in the middle of their ministry who may feel 'stuck,' and pastors nearing retirement. Currently, Becky is offering a coaching special of six sessions for \$25/session.



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You are invited to attend PW Spring Gatherings



*Weeping may endure for a night, but
JOY comes in the morning.*

Psalm 30:05

Saturday March 28 at Clarkson from 1-3 pm

(address: Clarkson New Zion Church, 4th & Maple, Clarkson)

Saturday April 4 at Lyons from 1-3 pm

(address: Lyons First Church, 340 Everest St, Lyons)

We are having a tea party in Clarkson and Lyons so we ask you to bring your favorite tea cup to use for the afternoon gathering. No speakers just an afternoon to enjoy some fellowship with your Presbyterian women friends.
(No reservations needed for these two dates)

Saturday April 25 Lincoln Westminster 9:00 – 1:30

Our speaker will be **Rev. Suzanne Gorhau** about **Marion Medical Mission**. The day will also include devotions, information about the upcoming bible study and lunch.
(address: Lincoln Westminster Church, 2110 Sheridan Blvd, Lincoln)
(Reservations required to Glenna Haller 817-757-2885)

For more information please call Terri Sherman 441-2823

Hands-On project for all three Spring Gatherings



A Matthew 25 project to collect
empty pill bottles

Many times, the pills people receive in developing countries are wrapped in paper scraps. They have no protection from moisture or the elements. And they certainly are not safely out of the reach of small children — you can't really safety-proof a piece of paper. Those pill bottles we take for granted are gratefully received in many parts of the world.

Bring your empty your pill bottles with the labels removed.

The Matthew 25 folks state, "Our pill bottle program fulfills the dual needs of improving medical care in developing countries & caring for our environment,"

[Print Flyer](#)



Being Proactive about the Coronavirus

Are you prepared for how to respond to a widespread contagious diseases? Sue Babovec, the Coordinator of Homestead's Disaster Response Committee has some wise words on the Coronavirus and what you can do to be proactive. Download and read her entire letter below!

PDA's Preparedness for Pandemics

Hope for the Journey Ahead - A Lenten Worship Resource

Homestead Presbytery's New Worshiping 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!](#)

Opportunities to Learn and Grow

Conflict Workshop



May 18 - 20
Lakeshore Center at Okoboji,
Milford, Iowa

This workshop is specifically designed to provide church leaders with the knowledge and tools necessary to address, manage, and resolve conflict in a healthy and effective manner. Participants will learn about conflict management styles, including their own default style, what the other styles look like, and how to grow in their ability to use and understand different conflict management styles. Other components of the workshop will include learning how family of origin influences one's attitudes about conflict, plus strategies for responding to conflict in the moment, opportunities for prayer, reflection, worship,

COST: [\\$450-\\$550](#) (Limited scholarships are available for PCUSA.)

[Register Now](#)

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!](#)



SAVE THE DATE!!

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

Synod School is a learning and personal enrichment experience for people of all ages. We seek to create an environment of hospitality, healing, and hope. The week is designed for laity and clergy, and individuals and families. Classes and activities are available for adults, youth, and children.

Come...

- to participate in a unique experience of Christian community as we worship, study, play, and live together;
- to grow in faith through action, relationships, and a centering of the spirit;
- for continuing education, for a special family experience, or for individual growth;
- to take it all in, then return home to share and serve



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 or call 800.728.7228, ext. 5340.

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

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

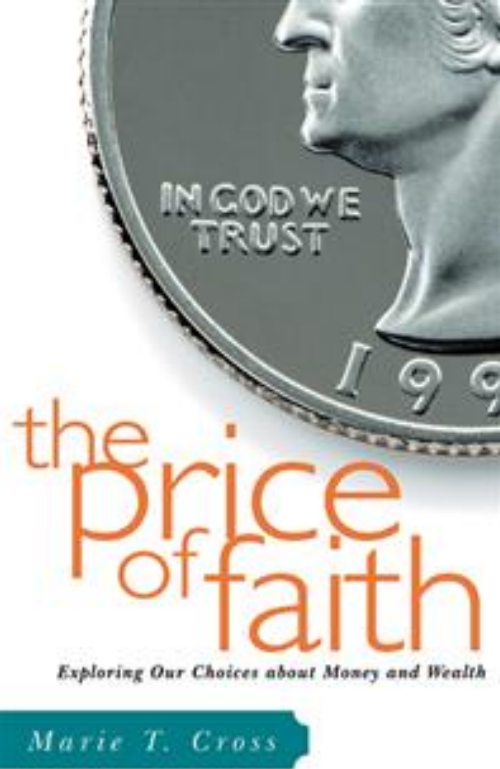
1. An individual who possesses qualities of excellence for ministry
2. A member of a Presbyterian Church (USA) congregation
3. Currently under the care of a Presbytery as an Inquirer or a Candidate
4. Accepted or enrolled as a full-time student in the Master of Divinity, Master of Arts or Dual degree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

DEADLINE April 15, 2020

APPLY NOW

Get Lost in a Book

Although stewardship itself is a word often heard in the church, money is



rarely discussed in terms of the ethical decisions and daily lifestyle choices we make. The Price of Faith presents a holistic definition of stewardship and examines what money and wealth mean for us in our participation in the life of the church and in our personal expressions of faith. This book includes ten session plans that will help move adults to a new understanding of stewardship.

Click Image to Order!

Weekly Prayer Requests

Nebraska City

The congregation at First Presbyterian Church in Nebraska City appreciates the prayers of Homestead Presbytery. Thank you for remembering us as we continue to serve our community and region as ambassadors of Christ. This winter we had an unfortunate thing happen. One of our boilers in the basement quit and needed to be replaced. The expense was 35,000 dollars. But of course we needed to heat the building, so the session had to work to solve the problem. The new boiler is now installed and seems to be working just fine. Thanks be to God! Our attendance has been holding up very well for the winter months and we are optimistic that spring will help us get even more folks out to join us. Please continue to pray for our congregation and its leaders!

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