



February 4, 2021

Presbytery News

IMPORTANT PRESBYTERY REMINDERS!



Presbytery
ASSEMBLY

- **We have a Stated Presbytery Meeting via Zoom coming up on February 20th.** The Zoom invite will be set out to everyone registered the week of the meeting. Make sure you click the button below to get registered!

[Register for Presbytery](#)

Join in Eastridge's Inter-Presbytery Virtual Choir!

Hello fellow Presbyterians!

My name is Brian Lew and I am the Director of Music Ministries at Eastridge Presbyterian Church in Lincoln. I would like to invite you and your choir to join in an inter-Presbytery virtual choir project. We will be coming together to sing a 3-part version (SAB) of the Hallelujah Chorus for Easter worship services. This video will be available to all churches within our Presbytery (regardless of participation) to use as they deem fit for their current mode of worship.



This project comes at zero cost for churches as Homestead Presbytery has generously and graciously funded this project. Sheet music and a recording stand (if needed) will be provided for all participating congregations.

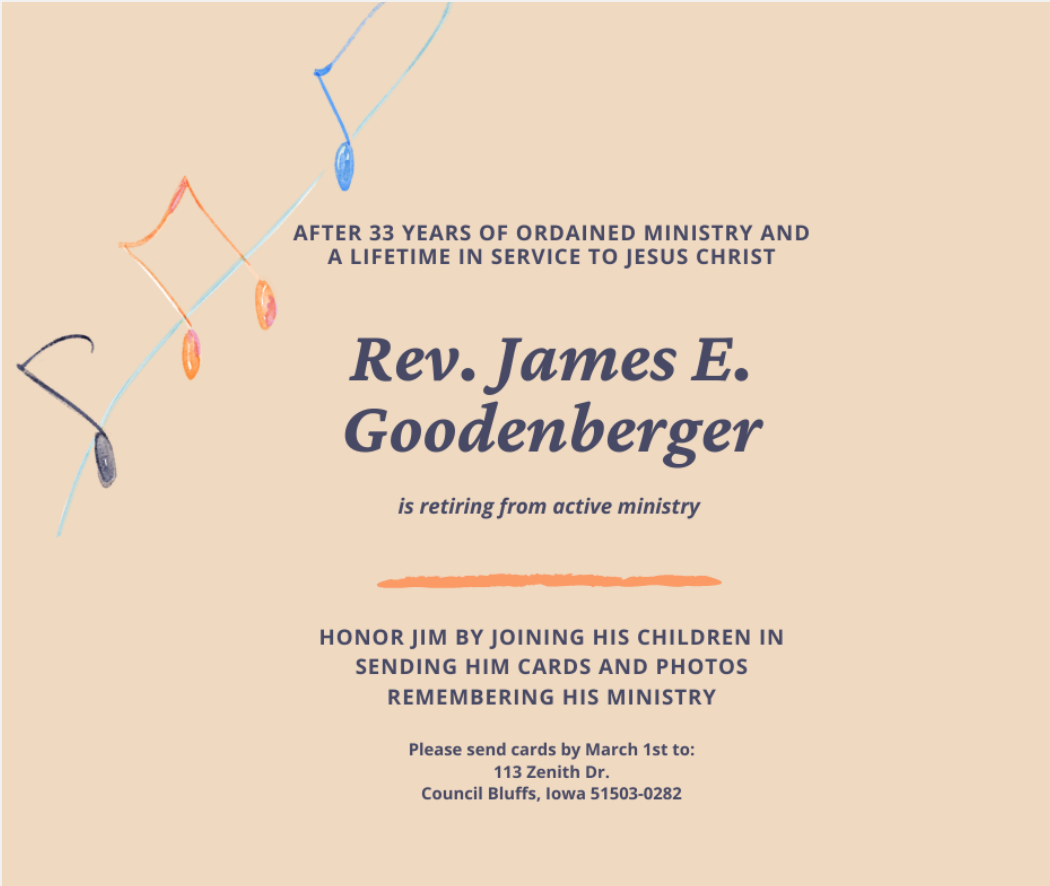
Participants will need access to two (2) types of “screens”, headphones, and internet. Screens can be any combination of smartphones, ipad, tablet, or computer. The most common combination is a computer/laptop and smartphone. One of these devices will need to have access to their email. Attached are two separate PDF's. One which contains instructions on how to record and the other explains how to send the video. If your church has a music director, organist, or someone who is willing to be a point person to help your singers it would be most appreciative so that communication is more streamlined.

I hope you will consider joining us in this unique project. If you are interested in participating or have any questions please contact me at blew@eastridge.org at your earliest convenience. I plan to distribute music ASAP in order to have recordings returned to me by early March.

Brian Lew Eastridge Presbyterian Church
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**Virtual Choir
Instructions**

Instructions on How to Send Video

A retirement announcement card for Rev. James E. Goodenberger. The card has a light beige background with a decorative graphic of musical notes in blue, orange, and black on the left side. The text is centered and reads: "AFTER 33 YEARS OF ORDAINED MINISTRY AND A LIFETIME IN SERVICE TO JESUS CHRIST", "Rev. James E. Goodenberger", "is retiring from active ministry", "HONOR JIM BY JOINING HIS CHILDREN IN SENDING HIM CARDS AND PHOTOS REMEMBERING HIS MINISTRY", and "Please send cards by March 1st to: 113 Zenith Dr. Council Bluffs, Iowa 51503-0282".

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Jim Goodenberger was an Interim pastor in Homestead Presbytery from 2010-2013. He served at both Columbus Federated Church and Lincoln Eastridge. You can send cards to celebrate his retirement at:

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Join us March 2 for a Day of Interactive Stewardship Education

We are excited to offer a Day of Learning that will include three workshops with stewardship and church leaders in a casual, virtual setting. There will be time for questions and answer and an opportunity to see colleagues from across the country.



Join us March 2 for great content from the Presbyterian Foundation:

- 8:30 am PST/11:30 am EST - Church Mission and Sustainability with Stephen Keizer and Rev. Gail Monsma
- 11:00 am PST/2:00 pm EST - Virtual Campaigns and Online Giving with Rev. Ellie Johns-Kelley and Karl Mattison
- 2:30 pm PST/5:30 pm EST - Practical Tips for Church Budgeting with Olanda Carr and Rev. Dr. Jonah So

[Register Today](#)

Weekly Prayer Requests

Nebraska City

This has been a challenging year for all of us in the Presbytery. Here in Nebraska City we decided that perhaps we should try streaming our Sunday service on Facebook. We had never done that before, so this was entirely new. Thank goodness we were able to sort it out and have pretty good success at delivering our Sunday Worship out into the world. It truly was a blessing to begin to receive feedback from people all over the world about our church services. We actually received messages from England, Dubai, Germany, and Canada. Here in the States people from all regions of the U.S. have sent notes of encouragement and thanks. When we thought our ministry was going to be greatly diminished, God provided the opportunity and the where-with-all to reach out further than ever before. Praise God! This is a powerful testimony about the state of our congregation! We must work together to insure that more people in our community learn about the potential of worshipping with us. Let's pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to lead us into our future!

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