



January 14, 2021

Presbytery News

IMPORTANT PRESBYTERY REMINDERS!



The Presbytery Office will be closed on January 18th in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

- **If your Congregation has applied for Round 2 of the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) please let the Presbytery Office know.**



From the Stated Clerk

There will not be a new *Book of Order*. “The 224th General Assembly referred all items of business which had constitutional implications to the 225th gathering,” said Laurie Griffith, associate director for Constitutional Interpretation in the Office of the General Assembly. “That means there were no changes to the Book of Order and the current edition is effective through 2023.” Griffith says this is a first in the PC(USA).

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance: FEMA Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP) Introduction & Training Via Zoom



- [List of Church Safety/Security Resources](#)
- [PDF of NPSG Presentation by Mark Williams](#)
- [Department of Homeland Security - Notice of Funding Opportunity - NSGP](#)
- [Link for sharing Zoom video](#)

Prayers for the family of Rev. Rebecca Rising



Rev. Rebecca S. Rising age 71 of Bloomington IL has joyously gone home to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ at 1:04 PM, Saturday, December 26, 2020 at Carle BroMenn Medical Center, Normal IL. Her funeral service was at 1:00 PM Monday, January 4, 2021 at Heartland Community Church 1811 N. Linden St, Normal IL. Pastor Ed Wright officiated.

The family suggests memorials be made to Hati's Children's Hope Organization. Arrangements are being handled by Calvert & Metzler Memorial Home, Bloomington, IL.

[Read Full Obituary Here](#)



If you're looking for a way to find an extra bit of inspiration as you prepare your sermon from week to week, check out a new lectionary podcast called "Listen for the Word." Each week, Rev. Alan Brehm and Rev. Christy Dempsey discuss a passage from the Revised Common Lectionary using their unique training and expertise. Alan has a Ph. D. in Biblical Studies, and taught at the Seminary level for over ten years. Christy has a Ph. D. in Modern European History with a specialty in the Protestant

Reformation, and has taught at UNL and NWU for 15 years. If you're interested, go to www.listenfortheword.com, or subscribe via Apple Podcasts, Google Podcasts, or Spotify.

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

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Homestead Wednesday Zoom Forums

According to the survey that the Presbytery sent out, the consensus seems to be that the FIRST WEDNESDAY of the month, is the day that the majority of the group feels is the best day to hold the now monthly Zoom Forum gathering.

The next Please sign up below to make sure you're registered to receive the Zoom link. Zoom information for the gathering will be sent out monthly on the Tuesday before the Zoom gathering. This will be set at a recurring gathering so you will be able to save the link to use every month. That being said, we will still send it out every month to those registered incase you lose or misplace the link.

Register Now!

Weekly Prayer Requests

Lincoln Southern Heights

Prayers are requested for the well being and prosperity of the Lincoln Korean congregation. May they continue to grow as a caring and nurturing Christian

community, as well as individuals, focusing on prayer, Bible study and worship.

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