

MONDAY MORNING UPDATE

Presbytery of San Gabriel

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Please remember Puente de Esperanza Presbyterian Church of La Puente in the Prayers of the People in your worship service on Sunday, June 9, 2019

ON THE CALENDAR

Tuesday, June 4 - Commission on Preparation for Ministry 5:30 pm at Community, San Marino

Saturday, June 8 - Presbytery Meeting and Day of Service at Community Presbyterian Fellowship, West Covina - 8:30 registration - 9:00 meeting

Stated Clerk, TE Diane Frasher will be out of the office Monday and Tuesday of this week.

Day of Service



San Gabriel

For the third year, we are dedicating our June Presbytery meeting to service. This has been a great way for Presbytery folk to get to know each other as we worship, discern, govern, and serve as partners in Christ's mission.

This year, we are focusing our efforts on getting the Community Presbyterian Church of West Covina property ready for International Theological Seminary's move onto the campus, sharing the property with what is now the Community Presbyterian Fellowship.

When: Sat., June 8, 2019 (begins with a brief Presbytery meeting at 9:00AM)

Lunch will be provided by the Presbytery (\$8 cost per person)

Where: Community Presbyterian Church of West Covina

540 E. Vine Ave., West Covina, CA 91790

Who: San Gabriel Presbytery 626-614-5964

What: Annual Day of Service to a congregation in our Presbytery

Together we will be helping to paint rooms at the church, do some yard work, write notes to friends facing the immigration process, and pack PDA School Kits.

For this meeting's offering, we invite your churches to contribute by:

- ✓ Giving several \$5-\$10 gift cards (from Target, supermarkets, etc.) to support recently bonded immigrant families with food and other items.
- Making a financial donation to help support the emerging Hospitality Ministry for families seeking asylum from violence in Central America.
- ✓ Donating any of the following items for the PDA School Kits:

School Kit (Estimated value \$15)

- 1 pair of blunt scissors (rounded tip)
- 3 70-count spiral notebooks or tape-bound pads of 8" x 10 ½" ruled paper with 200-210 sheets each. Please do not bring loose filler paper.
- 1 30-centimeter ruler (12")
- 1 hand-held pencil sharpener
- 6 new pencils with erasers
- 1 large eraser
- 1 box of 24 crayons
- 1 cotton cloth bag, 12" x 14" to 14" x 17" finished size, with cloth handles. (Please, no reusable plastic or non-cotton shopping bags nor backpacks.)

All of these ways to contribute are greatly needed. Please bring all donations to the Presbytery Meeting/Day of Service on June 8th.

Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, for all whom the Lord our God will call."

Acts 2:38-39

Reflection: A Blessing to the Nations

This Saturday we will have another Presbytery meeting, at the re-envisioned West Covina Ministry Center (aka Community Presbyterian Church of West Covina). Our new tradition is for the summer Presbytery meeting to be short, followed by a time of service. We will have a slightly longer Presbytery meeting because there are a few important decisions to make, so if you don't want to join us for the meeting, we expect the schedule to be:

8:30 am Registration 9:00 am Stated Meeting

10:30 am Service 12:30 pm Lunch.

It is expected that this meeting will be a time of thanksgiving for the ministry of Grace Presbyterian Church in Highland Park, and the ministry of Rev. Dr. Al Lorenz. We will also welcome Rev. Ming Hsu, who is being called as the new pastor for Taiwanese Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church. Rev. Hsu has been a faithful and respected pastor for Formosan Presbyterian in Garden Grove.

We have two other new initiatives to learn about and celebrate. If you have read the recent "Presbyterian Outlook," you heard about International Theological Seminary's new partnership with San Gabriel Presbytery. The home base for this partnership is the West Covina campus. Now that the Conditional Use Permit was approved unanimously by the Planning Commission of the City of West Covina, ITS will be moving onto this campus this June! So a big part of our work day will be painting some classrooms, to spruce them up for our new partners. During the meeting, San Gabriel member and ITS President Rev. Dr. James Lee will give a brief overview of ITS' unique ministry, and we will show our support with our prayers, hands, and hearts.

Because ITS has already been taking care of the property for us, they and the members of Community Presbyterian Fellowship of West Covina are preparing to welcome us to the meeting. The West Covina family now also includes site pastors Mary Ellen Azada and Jennifer Ackerman, as well as several members of our Baldwin Park church.

We will also have the opportunity to learn about another major new initiative. Upon the invitation of Pacific Presbytery, and with the joyous support of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, we have received a grant to fund an organizer to help our churches to welcome asylum-seeking families, who have been left without resources while they await their asylum hearing. We will be able to welcome Kristi Van Nostran, who was already doing much of this work as a volunteer. Kristi will be working primarily with our two presbyteries, but also all of the synod of Southern California and Hawaii, to coordinate our efforts and invite more of us to show Christian welcome to our neighbors from Central America. And we will start this Saturday, as our Presbytery offering will go to support these families, either through \$5 and \$10 gift cards, or financial contributions which Kristi will use for food and other urgent needs.

So come and worship, and pray, and celebrate, and serve. We will be painting classrooms, doing some yardwork, learning about our new Immigrant Welcome ministry and writing notes of support and welcome, and putting together school kits for students displaced by emergency, in partnership with PDA. See the separate article on the Presbytery offering for a shopping list for school supplies-and, most importantly, come in your work clothes!

So this Saturday will be a time of thanks and welcome, prayers with our hearts and with our hands, worship and praise and sorrow. Let us gather in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, and join in the life of our San Gabriel-and world-family.

They will come from east and west and from north and south, from Highland Park and Baldwin Park, from Taiwan and Cameroon and many peoples of Asia and Africa, from Honduras and Guatemala and El Salvador, and sit at table in the kingdom of God.

What a fitting time to prepare for Pentecost Sunday on June 9th! We are truly blessed with the Holy Spirit, who empowers us to connect as siblings of Jesus Christ, here and all around the world.

Peace, Wendy

Presbyterian Planning Calendar 2019-2020

Please note that the 2019-2020 calendar will not be available to ship until August 2019.

This 16-month calendar- **starting with September**, **2019**, **and ending with December**, **2020**-contains many planning aids for pastors and other church leaders. Includes lectionary for Sundays and special days, liturgical days, liturgical colors, resource information for PC(USA) programmatic emphases, updated synod, presbytery and Presbyterian Mission Agency staff directories, color foldout synod/presbytery and world maps.

Available August 2019.



Matthew 25 - An Invitation

As the Presbyterian Church, we are living into hope - expressed by the vision and call to congregations and mid councils to become a Matthew 25 Church.

The vision for Matthew 25 is to multiply Jesus' call to radical and fearless discipleship by partnering with mid councils and congregations to embrace one or more of these three focuses:

• Building congregational vitality by challenging people and congregations to deepen their faith

- and get actively and joyfully engaged with their community and the world.
- **Dismantling structural racism** by advocating and acting to break down the systems, practices and thinking that underlie discrimination, bias, prejudice and oppression of people of color.
- **Eradicating systemic poverty** by working to change laws, policies, plans and structures in our society that perpetuate economic exploitation of people who are poor.

You are invited and encouraged to join the vision and movement of Matthew 25. Visit presbyterianmission.org/ministries/matthew-25/become-a-matthew-25-church for more information on how to engage.

To learn more about Matthew 25 SoCal click <u>HERE</u>.

To learn about the current Matthew 25 SoCal projects and initiatives in the Greater LA County area click <u>HERE</u>.

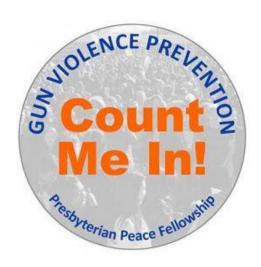
Wear Orange for Gun Safety! June 7-9

- --Make a plan for your congregation to wear orange on Sunday, June 9
- --Make / find an orange stole for your pastor(s) to wear in worship

Join Everytown for Gun Safety and WEAR ORANGE June 7-9

Orange is the color that Hadiya Pendleton's friends wore in her honor when she was shot and killed in Chicago at the age of 15 - just one week after performing at President Obama's 2nd inaugural parade in 2013.

Since then orange has been the defining color of the gun violence prevention movement. New York gun violence prevention advocate Erica Ford spearheaded orange as the color of peace through her work with her organization, Life Camp, Inc. Whether it's worn by students in Montana, activists in New York, or Hadiya's loved ones in Chicago, the color orange honors the more than 90 lives cut short and the hundreds more wounded by gun violence every day.



Presbyterian Women in the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii

2019 Summer Conference Love Your Neighbor

July 19 - 21, 2019

Chapman University ~ Orange, CA

with

Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Nordquist

Keynote Speaker, presenting on the 2019 - 2020 Horizons Bible Study Love Carved In Stone: A Fresh Look at the Ten Commandments

> Susan Jackson-Dowd Executive Director, Presbyterian Women Inc.

> > Rev. Ann Hayman Dean, 2019 Summer Conference

Plenary - Breakout Sessions - Mercado - Worship



Registration is now available from PWP and PWC Moderators, and PWS's Digital Platforms

Leadership Grants are also available



Click **HERE** to download complete schedule and a registration form

Click **HERE** to download a scholarship application - The deadline for

scholarship applications is May 31st!
Click HERE to download a copy of the flyer

SUMMER CAMP²⁰¹⁹

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
HIGH SCHOOL LEADERSHIP
MIDDLE SCHOOL
HIGH SCHOOL

JUNE 30 - JULY 6

JUNE 30 - JULY 6

JULY 7 - 13



2019 Presbytery Meetings

2019 Presbytery Minimums

Pastor's Minimum Salary: \$55,840

Travel/Professional Expense Reimbursement: \$2,645

Study Leave: \$985

2019 Mileage Reimbursement Rates:

Business .58 cents per mile Charitable 14 cents per mile

Quick Links

www.sangabpres.org

www.synod.org

www.pcusa.org

www.pensions.org

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Claremont Presbyterian Church is seeking to hire an Administrative Assistant for Finance and Personnel

1111 N. Mountain Avenue, Claremont

909 624-9693

This Bookkeeping position is a Part-time and Exempt Position

Click **HERE** for a complete job description.

Trinity Presbyterian Church is seeking to hire a part-time (5-10 hours per week) Music Director.

Responsibilities include playing and conducting the music for Sunday worship services and rehearsing and directing the adult choir at weekly rehearsals.

Click **HERE** to download a copy of the complete job description.

Contact - Trinity Presbyterian Church of Pasadena - 626 351-8823

Calculation

EVENTS OF INTEREST

Presbyterian Youth Triennium

"Here's My Heart"
July 16-20 2019
Perdue University, West Lafayette, IN
Registration will open in late 2018 and conclude in May 2019
Visit www.presbyterianyouthtriennium.org
for more information.

STEWARDSHIP KALEIDOSCOPE

The Pulse of Generosity-Vital Signs of a Healthy Stewardship

September 30 - October 2, 2019
Catamaran Resort - San Diego
For more information and to register, visit www.stewardshipkaleidoscope.org

Presbyterian Older Adult Ministries Network National Conference

October 15-18
Laws Lodge, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary
for more information contact Pat Baker at pat@sapctucker.org or 678-438-3673
Or visit https://www.poamn.org/

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