



MONDAY MORNING UPDATE

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PLEASE REMEMBER

Please remember Trinity Presbyterian Church of Pasadena in the Prayers of the People in your worship service on Sunday, September 1, 2019

A MESSAGE FROM OUR TAPESTRY LEADERS

Students Serve Across Los Angeles

This summer 30 teens and leaders from Presbyterian churches throughout the San Gabriel Valley and Riverside gathered daily for a week to become the hands and feet of Christ in service to others. During these five days, those who participated made a difference in the lives of the people they met - and felt a change in their own lives as well. This cooperative effort, an annual event for nearly a decade, was held July 22-26 and drew 15 students from San Marino Community Church.

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Day One involved making an impact on Rancho Damacitas in Fontana, CA. This agency serves children and young adults who have been victims of child abuse, neglect, and abandonment. Students helped renovate Rancho Damacitas' chapel into a welcoming space for worship and where clients can enjoy a place for peace and tranquility.

Day Two introduced participants to the residents of Crossroads, a home in Claremont that assists women re-enter society after incarceration. Students helped clean up their yard and make it an inviting space to sit and talk, or eat lunch or read. The project contributed greatly to Crossroads' goal of fostering inner growth and future success for those in its program.

Day Three took students to the heart of Los Angeles for a tour of Homeboy Industries. Participants were moved, hearing the stories of those who have left of gangs as they discovered how God was at work in Homeboy's many ministries.

Day Four led to painting a mobile home with Habitat For Humanity, Riverside. Students helped an older lady who was unable to afford this basic home maintenance, giving her house a new look as well as a new outlook on life for the homeowner.

Day Five was one of reflecting and debriefing - and fun in the pool relaxing.

The theme of the week was the Golden Rule: *Do to others as you would have them do to you*. However the students took it further, making it the Platinum Rule: *Do to others as they would want to be treated*. This approach took time and effort getting to know those the needs of those they served, rather than "inflicting" what others may have thought was best.

Interacting with those being served brought inspiration and blessings to those doing the serving. We heard the story of a formerly incarcerated woman who earned not only her GED, but also her BA, and who is currently working on her masters! Another inspiring person was someone who came out of a very unstable environment to become a top realtor in her new company. And there was the former gang member who now leads classes and tours for those trying to get out of a gang themselves. Amazing transformations!

Thank you to all those who prayed for and supported the students and leaders!



Our next Tapestry youth Event will be the Fall Retreat, November 9-11, 2010
Big Bear Christian Conference Center
All Churches are invited
Click Here to Register (<https://smcc.breezechms.com/form/Tapestry1396>)

*If you are interested in being on Tapestry leadership to help plan these amazing youth offerings for the Presbytery please contact Rev. Brian Gaeta-Symonds or Rev. Becca Bateman

Thank you!

I thank you!

During our Presbytery Service Day in June 40 school kits were assembled thanks to all your donations. Kristi Van Nostran, our Immigrant Accompaniment Organizer, retained 10 school kits for the students she is connected with that are being hosted in our area. The other 30 kits and the remainder of the school supplies were donated to the San Fernando Valley Refugee Children Center (SFVRCC) which is currently serving over 200 unaccompanied minors. Our Presbytery has been connecting with and supporting the SFVRCC since 2016 when we collected food and donated it to them for Thanksgiving baskets at our November 2016 Presbytery meeting.

Wendy Gist, our Mission Advocate, took the school kits and supplies to the SFVRCC just before they held their annual Back to School event for the children they work with. The SFVRCC staff was very appreciative and send their thanks to everyone in San Gabriel Presbytery for the ongoing support of their ministry serving unaccompanied minors.

If you would like to connect with the SFVRCC, please contact Amanda Escobar Romero at aeromero.sfvrc@gmail.com or 818-400-2891.

OPENINGS FOR ORDINATION EXAM READERS

We are looking for two Teaching Elders and one Ruling Elder to read ordination exams during the week of October 7-11, 2019. The process is now fully electronic so you can read the exams from the convenience of your own personal computer and pace. Most people who have experienced this process find it to be interesting and rewarding. Last year we were unable to fill these spots so I would love to see us fulfill our roster this year! Please send an email to presby@sangabpres.org if you're interested.

Peace,
Rev. Jan Cook
Moderator, Commission on Preparation for Ministry

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Join us for a Special Evening



Turning Wine into Water

October 19, 2019, 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.

In South Pasadena

Support the Living Waters for the World ministry work of San Gabriel Presbytery. Wine & water tasting, appetizers, & more. Updates on past & future systems in Peru.

Tickets: \$50.00 per person (suggested minimum donation).

This event has a maximum capacity of 60 people.

RSVP (and/or questions) to Wendy Gist at gist.wendy@gmail.com

Please make your tax-deductible donation payable to San Gabriel Presbytery and write "LWW Oct. 19 fundraiser" on the memo line.

Our goal for the night is to raise \$2500 for our next water system installation.



RECORD
REVIEW

Church Record Review

The next Minute Review for clerks/pastors is scheduled for October 5th at 10:00 AM at Calvary Presbyterian Church, South Pasadena

Boundary Training Offered in Multiple Languages

The Synod of Southern California and Hawaii has arranged with Dr. Kibbie Ruth to hold several trainings to prevent sexual harassment and misconduct. The Commission on Ministry of San Gabriel Presbytery is requiring that any new pastor, or any pastor who for whatever reason has not been to a recent training, attend one of these trainings. In addition, the morning session of each day is designed to satisfy the new sexual harassment prevention training requirement of the State of California for all employers with five or more employees (this includes churches with staff of five or more).

The training is \$10 for the morning or \$15 for the whole day (including lunch), and you have the choice of three days and locations. Each training will begin at 9 am and end by 3 pm.

- September 5 (Thursday), Union Church of Los Angeles, 401 E 3rd St., Los Angeles, CA 90013. Phone (213) 629-3876. Translation will be provided for Spanish, Korean, Taiwanese, Mandarin, and Arabic speakers.
- September 6 (Friday), Shepherd's Grove Presbyterian Church, 4445 Alton Pkwy, Irvine, CA 92604. Phone (949) 786-9627. Translation provided for Vietnamese, Korean, Taiwanese, and Indonesian speakers.
- September 7 (Saturday), Emmanuel Presbyterian Church, 588 Camino Manzanitas, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360. Phone (805) 498-4502. Translation provided for Spanish and Korean speakers.

Anyone is welcome to attend the training, but it is mandatory for San Gabriel Presbytery minister members doing public ministry who have not attended a recent training, and for the employees of any church with staff of five or more who have not arranged for such training themselves.

Click [here](#) for more information and links to on-line registration for the trainings.

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Offered by the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii

God intends for the church and its ministries to be a safe place for all to encounter God and grow into lives of service and fulfillment. We are called to be a holy community.

PresbyterianMission.org

Learn to establish and maintain safe relationships and faith communities including prevention of child abuse, domestic violence, elder abuse, sexual harassment, professional misconduct and other abuses of power.

Teaching Elders are required to attend both morning and afternoon sessions. All others are required to attend the morning session and **strongly encouraged** to attend the afternoon session.

Event Facilitator . . .

Rev. Dr. Kibbie Ruth

Senior Consultant
Kyros Ministry,
San Mateo, CA.



For over two decades **Kibbie Ruth, MA, DMin,** has taught abuse prevention and intervention strategies, and consulted on cases throughout the country. Dr. Ruth concentrates on religious issues of abuse as the Founder and Senior Consultant of Kyros Ministry. She works with judicatories and congregations to establish safe relationships and faith communities, including prevention of child abuse, domestic violence, elder abuse, sexual harassment, professional misconduct and other abuses of power.

Registration is handled through [Eventbrite](#).

Three Locations

Please select the **ONE** event location that best fits your needs. Each event is 9 am to 3 pm; lunch provided.

The registration fee for Teaching Elders/Ministers is **\$15.00** and **\$10.00** for all others. Payment may be submitted upon registration OR paid at the door. Payment details will be found on the registration page for each of the locations (links below, in the "REGISTER" boxes).

September 5 (Thursday)

REGISTER: Sept. 5
Los Angeles

Union Church of Los Angeles

401 E 3rd St., Los Angeles, CA 90013
(213) 629-3876

Translation provided for **Spanish, Korean, Taiwanese, Mandarin, Arabic** speakers

September 6 (Friday)

REGISTER: Sept. 6
Irvine

Shepherd's Grove Presbyterian Church

4445 Alton Pkwy
Irvine, CA 92604
Phone: (949) 786-9627

Translation provided for **Vietnamese, Korean, Taiwanese, Indonesian** speakers

September 7 (Saturday)

REGISTER: Sept. 7
Thousand Oaks

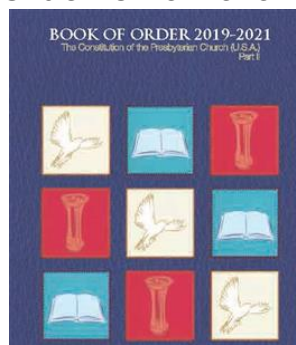
Emmanuel Presbyterian Church

588 Camino Manzanitas,
Thousand Oaks, CA 91360
Phone: (805) 498-4502

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Questions? *E-mail [Fried Wilson](#) at the Synod office.*

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Grateful Stewardship:

Strategies to help your church fund its mission

Maggie A.F. Harmon, esq.
Presbyterian Foundation

Presbyterian Foundation
Ministry Relations Officer, Southwest

Thursday, September 19th

10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Includes lunch

El Sueno, Westminster Gardens

1420 Santo Domingo Avenue

Duarte, 91010

All church leaders and pastors welcome!

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2019 Presbytery Meetings

September 14, 9:00 AM - 12:00 noon @ Puente de Esperanza, La Puente
November 19, 7:00 - 9:00 PM (Tuesday evening) @ Trinity, Pasadena

2019 Presbytery Minimums

Pastor's Minimum Salary: \$55,840
Travel/Professional Expense Reimbursement: \$2,645
Study Leave: \$985

Business .58 cents per mile

Charitable 14 cents per mile



EVENTS OF INTEREST

Fall Festival 2019, First Presbyterian Church

2775 Lincoln Avenue, Altadena.

September 21, 3-8 pm

Food, fun, fellowship, taiko drumming, music, raffle, arts and crafts. 4:30 pm presentation on "A Yonsei Response to America's Concentration Camps and the Issue of Nuclear Proliferation"

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

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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/>

Save the Date

The Board of Directors of Presbyterian Women in the Presbyterian Church (USA), Inc. just cast a unanimous vote for the 2021 Churchwide Gathering of Presbyterian Women!

August 5-8, 2021 - St Louis, MO