

SAN GABRIEL PRESBYTERY MONDAY MORNING UPDATE

April 27, 2020

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NEW THIS WEEK

Reflection from Executive Presbyter,
Wendy Tajima: "[Its Gonna Be Great!](#)"

The Committee on the Office of the
General Assembly gave an update on
this year's General Assembly. Click
[HERE](#) to read the article on the GA
going virtual. Click [here](#) to see a list of
what business will be handled.

A [Mental Health Resources](#) summary
has been offered by the Mental Health
Ministry for the PC(USA).

Dr. Jeff Prater offers tips for staying
healthy mentally ([from San Marino
Community Church YouTube
channel](#)).

The County of Los Angeles released
an updated [guideline for faith-based
organizations](#), more a collection of
various prior resources, including
guidance for weddings and
funerals. Go [HERE](#) or download the
document. The Board of Supervisors
should be meeting in a week and is
expected to issue a new health
directive.

If you want to begin thinking ahead
about possible reopening, several
presbytery executives have pointed to
a resource from the Wisconsin Council
of Churches as the best possible
guide for the multi-phased approach
that is anticipated. While not

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Clergy and Church Leaders Zoom
Meeting resumes tomorrow, Tuesday
(4/28) at 10 am.

- Join URL:
[https://zoom.us/j/906806900?
pwd=Q1FSOEJHRGIQby9BK1VPQ0
VwbEITUT09](https://zoom.us/j/906806900?pwd=Q1FSOEJHRGIQby9BK1VPQ0VwbEITUT09)
- Dial by your location: (669) 900 9128
- Meeting ID: 906 806 900
- Password: 788935

Presbytery Executive Commission will
meet by Zoom [Tuesday, April 28](#), at **4
pm** (not 6 pm), followed by the
Presbytery Planning Team meeting.

PLEASE REMEMBER

First Taiwanese, Pasadena in your
Prayers of the People this week.

COMMUNITY CARE

Check out the [San Gabriel Presbytery
Website](#) for information about ways to
help in the community.

*Tip: clear your browser history to be
sure you are seeing the most up to
date version of the website.

[Caring for Undocumented Church
members: Request from Wendy Gist](#)

OTHER RESOURCES

conclusive for our area, it gives excellent guidance to consider. Go to <https://www.wichurches.org/2020/04/23/returning-to-church/> or [download the resource.](#)

Looking for the latest stats on Coronavirus?

· LA County: <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/>

· LA Times California Tracker: <https://www.latimes.com/projects/california-coronavirus-cases-tracking-outbreak/> (gives county-by-county data)

· NPR United States Tracker: <https://www.npr.org/sections/health-shots/2020/03/16/816707182/map-tracking-the-spread-of-the-coronavirus-in-the-u-s#states> (gives state-by-state data)

SAN GABRIEL DIGITAL DIRECTORY

We have created a directory of the digital worship services in our presbytery and you can download it [here](#).

Paycheck Protection Program loans restarted, though due to the prior backlog the second set of funds will probably be depleted soon.

Short on cash? Remember that the Presbytery has **grant and loan funds** available to churches who are experiencing a cash crunch—and Board of Pensions is offering help with dues. Check out the **Checklist of Financial Options** for suggested resources.

Preparing for the worst: A couple of other presbyteries suggested to their churches that they prepare for the possibility that a key leader falls ill with Coronavirus. We have seen churches struggle after a pastor leaves suddenly. One presbytery suggested that church leaders consider a few key questions:

1. Does more than one person know how to login to the church computer, and key software applications (like the financial and membership records)?
2. Is the church's email list or email program available to more than one person?
3. Share login information for online resources such as the church website, Facebook, Zoom, YouTube etc. with multiple staff and/or session members.
4. Be sure that persons from more than one household are able to access the church's financial accounts.
5. Be sure that persons from more than one household is able access session records.

2020 Presbytery Minimums

Employment Opportunities

Donate Online to Presbytery or to Churches in the Presbytery