

SAN GABRIEL PRESBYTERY MONDAY MORNING UPDATE

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NEW THIS WEEK

Reflection from Executive Presbyter Rev. Wendy Tajima: [Sin](#)

General Assembly is coming! This historic online assembly begins on June 19, 4 pm Pacific Time, with the election of the Moderator for the next two years. GA business resumes—all in plenary (there is no committee work)—on Friday, June 26, at 8 am, running through Saturday, June 27. Go to <https://ga-pcusa.org/> which is your dashboard for the GA.

There are events planned around this GA week, including:

- *Presbyterian Outlook* presents an online **"Meet the Moderator Candidates" webinar this Wednesday, June 10, at 4 pm.** To participate, a tax-deductible donation (minimum \$10) is required—go to pres-outlook.org for more information.
- On Saturday, June 20, the **Poor People's Campaign** had planned an Assembly and Moral March on Washington, DC. This has now moved online, and has the potential to be the largest digital and social media gathering this nation has ever seen. The Poor People's Campaign has been a faith-led movement against poverty, founded by Rev. Dr. William Barber and Rev. Dr. Liz Theoharis, a PC(USA) minister. Click [here](#) to access registration and resources, and information on another event, June 23 at noon: "Youth Rising: Advancing Youth and Young Adult Entrepreneurs" with Baltimore Presbytery's Youth Rising ministry.
- Youth Rising and many others will be selling products through the online [Marketplace](#) during the week of GA.

Looking for "safer at home" ways to resist racism? In addition to the [Poor People's Campaign Assembly](#), today at 4 pm is the

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Clergy and Church Leaders Zoom Meeting tomorrow, Tuesday (6/9) at 10 am.

- Join Zoom Meeting:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/906806900?pwd=Q1FSOEJHRGIQby9BK1VPQ0VwYbEITUT09>
- Meeting ID: 906 806 900
- Password: 788935

PLEASE REMEMBER

First Presbyterian Church, Pomona 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.

SMCC is hosting a blood drive on June 16 & 17. [Download a flyer for more details here.](#)

Our Presbytery offering went to ICON, the Inland Communities Organizing Network, as they organize community members for affordable housing in the Pomona area. If you want to learn more about ICON, go to <http://www.icon-iaf.org/>, and you can still give by going to <https://sangabpres.org/donate/> and using the drop-down menu to give "to Presbytery Offering."

SAN GABRIEL DIGITAL

final installment of a week-long online protest organized and hosted by Rev. Dr. Bernice King of The King Center. Dr. Bernice King, daughter of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and King Center founder and activist Coretta Scott King, is director of the King Center. Past installments can be found on YouTube; today's is at 4 pm at <https://thekingcenter.org/onlineprotest/>.

DIRECTORY

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

OTHER RESOURCES

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-us#states>

(gives state-by-state data)

The County of Los Angeles issued a **revised Health Order** and **extensive guidelines** for allowing people to come back into church buildings for worship. In our polity, it is the session, with guidance from the presbytery as needed, to decide how worship will be offered. A few (not ALL) highlights:

- The County does not obligate churches to hold in-person worship, and recommends continued online worship
- Persons older than 65 or with chronic health conditions should continue to stay at home
- Attendance limited to 25% of building occupancy or 100 persons (including worship leaders and staff), whichever is **lower**
- Pre-register all attendees and confirm upon entry that all have no symptoms or fever
- Consider shorter worship services, worship outside or with open windows, no group singing, 6 feet or more between household groups, no touching and no passing or sharing of objects, and no self-serve food or fellowship time
- Many requirements for disinfecting
- Whatever protocol your church

INFORMATION LINKS

[2020 Presbytery Minimums](#)

[Employment Opportunities](#)

[Donate Online to Presbytery or to Churches in the Presbytery](#)

adopts, it applies to every group that uses your church facilities

- The State and County will reassess these guidelines in 21 days, or around June 16.

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. Information is on the [sangabpres.org website](http://sangabpres.org) or contact Wendy Tajima. Requests are due by June 30, 2020.

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