SAN GABRIEL PRESBYTERY MONDAY MORNING UPDATE

July 20, 2020

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NEW THIS WEEK

Reflection from Executive Presbyter Rev. Wendy Tajima: **John Lewis**

Worship cannot be held indoors, per the updated LA County Health Order. Worship can be held outdoors, and can be recorded at the church if the worship and production team has fewer than 10 persons. See the updated Protocol F for Places of Worship for more information. An updated Overall Health Order was issued July 18, but the focus for that order relates to LA County schools.

August 1, 10 am, Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Christians from many traditions will be holding a prayer vigil for Black lives at Leimert Park, near the Crenshaw district of Los Angeles. The event will also be live-streamed. Mark your calendars now; details to come. Our Justice Peacemaking and Mission Committee has signed us on as a co-sponsor for the event, which will focus on prayer, scripture, and repentance as we seek to show love and solidarity for all of God's people. Ask Wendy Tajima if you want to be involved or have questions.

Claremont Presbyterian leaders host anOnline Contemplative Group, Fridays at 8 am,
and all are welcome. The group meditates
with Centering Prayer for about 25 minutes,
there is time for greetings, and closing with
the Lord's Prayer. Go to
https://meditationchapel.org for
information, and
https://www.contemplativeoutreach.org to
learn about Thomas Keating's work in
Contemplation. You must pre-register at
https://meditationchapel.org/getting-started/. Let Ally Lee know if you have

problems registering.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Personnel Committee at 1:00 pm on Monday, July 20.

Zoom call for Clergy and Church leaders on Tuesday, July 21 at 10:00 am.

Join Zoom call:

- https://us02web.zoom.us/j/90680690 0? pwd=Q1FSOEJHRGIQby9BK1VPQ0Vw bEITUT09
- Meeting ID: 906 806 900 PSSWRD: 788935
- Dial in (669) 900 9128

Administration and Finance Committee at 2:30 pm on Thursday, July 23

PLEASE REMEMBER

Westminster Presbyterian Church, Temple City in your Prayers of the People this week.

COMMUNITY CARE

Check out the <u>San Gabriel Presbytery</u>
<u>Website</u> for information about ways to help in the community.

Presbyterian Women is designating July 31 as "PW Gives Day." This organization is not as visible as when every Presbyterian Church had a PW in their congregation, but they continue to be a formidable and faithful pillar of the church. Please see the attached flyer, or go to https://www.presbyterianwomen.org/givingfunding/give/ and contribute to their ministry.

OTHER RESOURCES

Follow the <u>Presbytery of San Gabriel</u> on Facebook and join one of our groups to hear more about what is happening in the life of our Presbytery.

Looking for the latest stats on Coronavirus? · LA

County: http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/me dia/Coronavirus/

· LA Times California

Tracker: https://www.latimes.com/projects/c alifornia-coronavirus-cases-trackingoutbreak/

(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)

Lombard Mennonite Peace Center is offering their sessions online. For a full listing <u>click</u> <u>here</u>. Two that might be of particular interest in this season are:

Grief in the time of COVID-19:

A Family Systems Approach to Pastoral Care The COVID-19 pandemic has significantly impacted our experience of grief, from the ability for families to grieve the loss of a loved one, to the more ambiguous grief of the loss of our pre-pandemic ways of life. COVID-19 presents a unique challenge to faith leaders, and while we don't yet know the long-term impact of COVID-19 on grief, we must find a way to provide adequate pastoral care, even in an era of social distancing.

This 90-minute webinar will be offered on August 13 and August 27.

Breaking Free: Finding Resilience in an Era of Collective Trauma

This webinar will explore the issue of trauma in the current context of both the COVID-19 virus and the public killing of George Floyd. Grounded in Family Systems Theory, *Breaking Free* will help participants identify the impact of trauma on themselves and others, discuss strategies to break free from

Pasadena Emergency Rental Assistance Program

The Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) Program is available for eligible households financially affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. The ERA can provide grants for up to three (3) months' worth of past due rent, not to exceed \$4,500 total. This program is available to renters residing in Pasadena, who have a current lease, and have notified their landlords of their inability to pay due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. Visit https://www.cityofpasadena.net/housing/emergency-rental-assistance-program for more information and the applications.

SAN GABRIEL DIGITAL DIRECTORY

We have updated our directory of the digital worship services in our presbytery and you can download it here.

INFORMATION LINKS

2020 Presbytery Minimums

Employment Opportunities

<u>Donate Online to Presbytery or to Churches in the Presbytery</u>

trauma, and find resilience. This 90-minute webinar will be offered on July 30.

To register click here.

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