

SAN GABRIEL PRESBYTERY MONDAY MORNING UPDATE

November 23, 2020

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The Presbytery Office will be closed on Thursday, November 26 and Friday, November 27.

PRESBYTERY NEWS

Reflection from Executive Presbyter, Wendy Tajima-- [Giving Thanks](#)

Did you see our public health department update last week? [Click here for a PDF of that email](#). We will send updates as the situation progresses.

See the Resources list below for new information links

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>

PRESBYTERY MEETINGS

There will be no Clergy and Church Leaders Zoom Call this week.

INFORMATION LINKS

Alternative Christmas Market Links:

Ten Thousand Villages Pasadena

Nov 12-15 the entire store is 25% off

<https://www.villagespasadena.com/>

Threads of Hope

<https://threadsofhopetextiles.org>

Has a few items left in stock.

Presbyterian Giving Catalog

<https://presbyteriangifts.pcusa.org/>

[Christmas Joy Offering Nov. 29 to Dec. 25](#)

This offering supports Church leaders-past, present, and future. Fifty percent of the gifts go to students to learn and grow in faith at Presbyterian-related schools and colleges equipping communities of color.

(gives state-by-state data)

PLEASE REMEMBER

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, La Puente
in your Prayers of the People this week.

RESOURCES

Heritage Preservation Grants

To assist congregations with the preservation of church history, the Presbyterian Historical Society awards annual Heritage Preservation Grants to PC(USA) congregations, covering up to \$500 of the cost to [digitize](#) official church records. Qualifying congregations must be at least 50 years old.

- For 2020, applications are due on December 15. Grants must be used within a two-year time period. You might want to share this with your congregations, especially older and smaller churches. [Learn how to apply.](#)

On [#GivingTuesday](#), December 1, at 6:00 pm Eastern Time, current GA Co-Moderators Elona Street-Stewart and Gregory Bentley will have a chance to join with eight former GA moderators and co-moderators when they will play a game called "PresbySquares" as part of the PC(USA)'s [12-hour live stream](#) to encourage Presbyterian generosity.

- We encourage you to support the work of the Presbytery on [#GivingTuesday](#) at www.sangabpres.org/donate.

APCE 2021

Registration is open for the [virtual event hosted by the Association of Presbyterian Church Educators](#), to be held February 4–6. Explore "Anything But Ordinary Time" with APCE, from the comfort of your own home.

Climate Action

The 2018 General Assembly passed a GA policy supporting carbon pricing. In response, a group called Presbyterians 4 Carbon Dividends is launching a call to action for Presbyterian ministers and other leaders to sign on to a letter that will be sent to Presbyterian members of Congress. They are hoping that mid council leaders, congregational pastors, and members alike will be interested in adding their names to

The other fifty percent of the gift provides assistance for current and retired church workers and their families with critical financial needs. For more information call 800-728-7228, ext.5047 or email specialofferings@pcusa.org.

[2021 Presbytery Minimums](#)

[2021 Presbytery Meeting Schedule](#)

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

Follow the [Presbytery of San Gabriel on Facebook](#) and join one of our groups to hear more about what is happening in the life of our Presbytery.

[this letter](#). Please consider spreading the word using a message such as this, and of course signing on yourself.

Presbyterians for Disability Concerns – How You Can Help

The chair of PDC, the Rev. Sarah VanderZee McKenney, writes:

"Presbyterians for Disability Concerns (PDC) affirms, supports, and advocates for the gifts, rights, and responsibilities of persons with disabilities in the church through the creation and promotion of tools, resources, and education. This past year has been a reminder of the variety of different types of crises that can emerge, whether it's a pandemic or natural disaster. People with disabilities are often quickly left behind and forgotten during these times. Therefore, our hope is to create resources that can be helpful guides and tools during these stressful times while aiming to include. We need your help!

Here is a survey that we ask you to pass along to congregants and clergy. More than one entry per congregation is acceptable, as people have different insights as to what may be helpful/needed. This survey will help us discover where congregations are and how best to shape these tools to be of the most benefit. These tools will then be available around June or July 2021. Feel free to contact us for any questions regarding this survey or any other accessibility questions or needs.

More resources are available on [our website](#) and on [Facebook](#).

Anti-Racism

The Christian Century is offering an [“Acting Against Racism” conversation guide](#).