

SAN GABRIEL PRESBYTERY MONDAY MORNING UPDATE

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When justice is done, it is a joy to the righteous but terror to evildoers— Proverbs 21:15

[Click here to see the Presbyterian Mission Agency Lenten Devotional for 2021.](#)

PRESBYTERY NEWS

[Breakout Presbytery](#)

Reflection by Executive Presbyter
Wendy Tajima.

Camino de San Diego - Journeying toward Justice

Join Presbyterian friends for a virtual pilgrimage along and across the US- Mexico border! [Via International](#) and [The Border Church/ La Iglesia Fronteriza](#) will be our guides for five virtual encounters. From the comfort of your own home, you will experience the work for justice at the grassroots by traveling to Chicano Park in San Diego, La Plaza El Chaparral in Tijuana, and Friendship Park at the US-Mexico border. Two trips have been planned for 2021: the first trip is in May, the second trip is planned for September. Each virtual pilgrimage can accommodate 18 participants, and the cost is \$100 per person. [Click here](#) for more

PRESBYTERY MEETINGS

[Meeting Calendar for 2021](#)

- Clergy and Church Leadership Zoom Call on **March 23 at 10 am.**

[Click here to join Zoom meeting.](#)

Meeting ID: 841 2198 0077
Passcode: 187891

The next Presbytery meeting will be on Saturday, June 19.

The Commission on Ministry and the Commission on Preparation for Ministry will not meet on 4/5 or 4/6.

PLEASE REMEMBER

Calvary Presbyterian Church, South Pasadena in your Prayers of the People this week.

RESOURCES

information. [Click here](#) to register for the May Camino.

Structural Racism and Representation Survey

The Presbytery Executive Commission wants to help our Presbytery confront and work towards dismantling structural racism. We have created a survey to reflect some ideas and opportunities we want to offer. Please take a few minutes and respond for yourself and/or your church. Thank you. [Click here to access the survey.](#)

We need recordings of music for Eastertide by Thursday, March 25.

If your congregation is recording special music that would be appropriate for Eastertide, would you share those recordings with us? Contact Ally Lee (ally@sangabpres.org) for information on how to share the files. We need to receive those files by Thursday, March 25.

Presbytery Worship Service Elements for Sunday, April 11

The Presbytery leadership has created video worship elements to support our churches for the Sunday after Easter to give your leaders a break. We are waiting on a few of the elements to come in, but most of the service will be available starting next week. [You can see the order of service by clicking here.](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

PC(USA) Matthew 25 Online Event

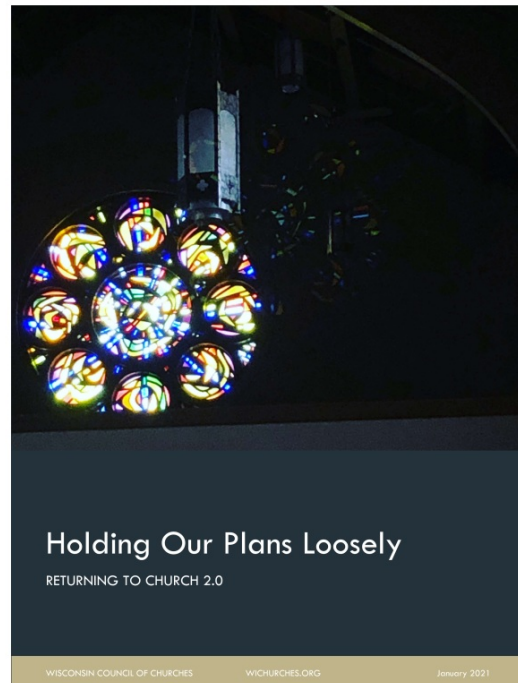
Last year's well-attended series of Matthew 25 programs will continue with our first online event for 2021, scheduled for **Wednesday, March 24**, at 2 pm EDT. The topic is how all three areas of the Matthew 25 focus intersect around the subject of housing. The program will include conversations with pastors on how their congregations are engaging with the issue of affordable housing in their communities. You can read more about it in a

Winterfest 2021 resources available.

Thanks to the work of the EEE committee and our webmaster, Mike, the Winterfest recordings and slide shows are available on the [Presbytery website here.](#)

One Great Hour of Sharing

Presbyterians have joined with millions of other Christians through One Great Hour of Sharing to share God's love with people experiencing need. Our gifts support ministries of disaster response, refugee assistance and resettlement, and community development that help people find safe refuge, start new lives and work together to strengthen their families and communities. The Presbyterian Hunger Program receives 36 percent of undesignated gifts, while Self-Development of People and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance each receives 32 percent. [Click here to give online.](#)



[Wisconsin Council of Churches--
Holding Our Plans Loosely: Returning
to Church 2.0](#)

Presbyterian News Service story [here](#).

To register in advance for this program, click on the link below:

https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwsdOugrjsvG9fo1d3R4WjdRNuOJ5I_T8x2

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Watch for information on forthcoming Matthew 25 events scheduled for June 23 (Hunger/Eradicating Poverty/Congregational Vitality), September 29 (Education/Dismantling Racism/Eradicating Poverty), and November 17 (Migration/Immigration).

Can't Hide Behind Not Being Controversial:

A Conversation on Race and Cross-Cultural Connection

Join us on Wednesday, March 24 at 5:30 pm.

Featuring Rev. Dr. Mika Edmondson - Bio found [HERE](#).

Mika Edmondson will be interviewed by Darren Pollock on issues ranging from race to political division, and suffering to servant leadership (Darren and Mika became friends a decade ago when they were in the PhD program together at Calvin Seminary). As a public theologian and pastor with extensive background in multicultural ministry settings, Mika has great insight into ways that Christians can connect across seemingly unbridgeable divides.

To register, send an email with your name to carolewheeler@pacbell.net by Monday, March 22. You will receive a Zoom meeting link.



IMAGINE! GOD'S EARTH & PEOPLE RESTORED.

COMPASSION PEACE AND JUSTICE TRAINING DAYS APRIL 7-9
ECUMENICAL ADVOCACY DAYS APRIL 18-21
More information coming soon!

A world of justice and reconciliation.
A world that values people and creation over profits.

COMPASSION PEACE AND JUSTICE

[Registration is now open for CPJ Training Days](#), a virtual advocacy and organizing event April 7-9. [CPJ Training Day](#), presented by the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) [Office](#)

CONFERENCE INFORMATION



Conference Dates

In-person:
Week 1: June 20 - 25, 2021
Week 2: June 27 - July 2, 2021

Online:
June 27 - July 2, 2021

This intergenerational conference is for children, youth, adults, pastors, directors, organists, pianists, guitarists, percussionists, ringers, worship leaders, choir members, and anyone who loves and takes part in the worship and music of the church.

Gathered In My Name

The Presbyterian Associate of Musicians has opened registration for the 2021 Worship and Music Conferences at Montreat. They are planning both in-person and online options. This intergenerational conference is for children, youth, adults, pastors, directors, organists, pianists, guitarists, percussionists, ringers, worship leaders, choir members, and anyone who loves and takes part in the worship and music of the church. Click the image above to register.

[2021 Presbytery Minimums](#)

[2021 Presbytery Meeting Schedule](#)

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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)

of [Public Witness](#) and its fellow [Compassion, Peace & Justice ministries](#), traditionally takes place in person at New York Avenue Presbyterian Church in Washington, D.C., on the day before [Ecumenical Advocacy Days](#), a weekend-long event in Northern Virginia. For the second consecutive year, both events will be virtual due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

This year, CPJ Day expanded to three days to provide a breadth of content around this year's theme, environmental justice, without the potential Zoom fatigue of a day-long online event. Each day will start at 11 a.m. Eastern Time and go to 12:30 p.m. On April 7 and 8, there will be small group gatherings at 1:30 p.m. ET. [Registration is free](#).

Featured speakers this year will be:

- The [Rev. Dr. Cláudio Carvalhaes](#), a theologian, liturgist, artist and activist who is the Associate Professor of Worship at [Union Theological Seminary](#) in New York City.
- [Harry Pickens](#), an award-winning performing artist, educator, composer, author, workshop facilitator and life transformation coach in Louisville, Kentucky.

Plans for additional panelists and speakers are being finalized and will be announced shortly. Like every year, CPJ Days will also feature music and worship.

[Ecumenical Advocacy Days](#) are set to take place just over a week later, April 18-21, and will have a similar theme of environmental justice this year. [Registration is now open](#), and is \$25 until April 1.



The Education, Equipping, and Empowerment Committee of the Presbytery is hosting a panel discussion featuring church leaders from our Presbytery sharing ideas and resources about reopening. Similar to this year's Winterfest we will gather at 7:00 pm for a introductory session, then spend some time in breakout rooms related to particular topics and their return for group discussion and Q&A. [Please click here to register](#).

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