

# SAN GABRIEL PRESBYTERY

## MONDAY MORNING UPDATE

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November 29, 2021

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### **Come to Bethlehem and Be Nourished** Presbyterians Today Advent Devotional 2021

**The Sacrament of Christmas**  
By Howard Thurman

**I make an act of faith toward all humankind,  
Where doubts would linger and suspicions brood.**

I make an act of joy toward all sad hearts,  
Where laughter pales and tears abound.

I make an act of strength toward feeble things,  
Where life grows dim and death draws near.

I make an act of trust toward all life,  
Where fears preside and distrusts keep watch.

I make an act of love toward friend and foe,  
Where trust is weak and hate burns bright.

I make a deed to God of all my days —  
And look out on life with quiet eyes.

**PRESBYTERY NEWS**

**PRESBYTERY CALENDAR**

**Thanks for Us** a reflection from Executive

### **Christmas Crafting**

Rev. Diane Frasher, Chaplain for Retired Church Workers at Monte Vista Grove Homes and Rev. Ally Lee invite everyone who enjoys Christmas crafts to help us make gifts for MVGH residents living in the Hearth and Health Center. We will be making small succulent wreaths to give to each resident (about 36 wreaths). We will meet at Trinity Presbyterian Church, Pasadena on **Saturday, December 11** from 10 am to noon. Please contact Ally Lee at [ally@sangabpres.org](mailto:ally@sangabpres.org) for more details and to let us know you are able to help.

### **Longest Night Liturgy**

Rev. Lauren Evans, Chaplain for Retired Church Workers at Westminster Gardens has adapted a Longest Night Liturgy and made it available to our Presbytery for use as a Blue Christmas or Longest Night Worship Service. **Please find the resources in a Google Drive file here.**

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## **RESOURCES**

### **This Holiday Season, Offer the Gift of Remembering to Those Who Are Grieving**

An article by Stephen Ministries founder, Rev. Dr. Kenneth C. Haugk. If you are interested in other resources from Stephen Ministries, please contact **TE Huw Christopher**.

### **Join the PC(USA) on #GivingTuesday in responding to a world in need!**

### **Christmas Joy Offering—A message from Mission Engagement and Support**

The Christmas Joy Offering opens doors of opportunity for leaders of our Church and world who are shaped and supported through our gifts—doors that lead to hopeful futures for young people at Presbyterian-related schools and colleges equipping communities of color and doors that lead to relief for church workers and their families in need of critical financial assistance. Find information and **resources** like **curriculum, worship, a sermon, PowerPoint presentation, and social media images** to aid in promotion. Have questions? **Call us**. If we all do a little, it adds up to a lot!

### **Often-Seen Legal and Risk Issues with PC(USA) Councils\***

## **Meeting Calendar for 2021**

**Advent Preparation and Prayer**, Tuesday, Nov. 30 at 10:00 am on Zoom. [Click here to the meeting](#)

Administration and Finance will meet **Thursday, December 2** at 2:30 pm.

Commission on Ministry will meet **Monday, December 6** at noon on Zoom.

Personnel Committee will meet **Monday, December 6** at 5:00 pm.

Executive Commission will meet **Tuesday, December 7** at 4:00 pm on Zoom.

Commission on Preparation for Ministry will meet **Tuesday, December 7** at 5:30 pm on Zoom.

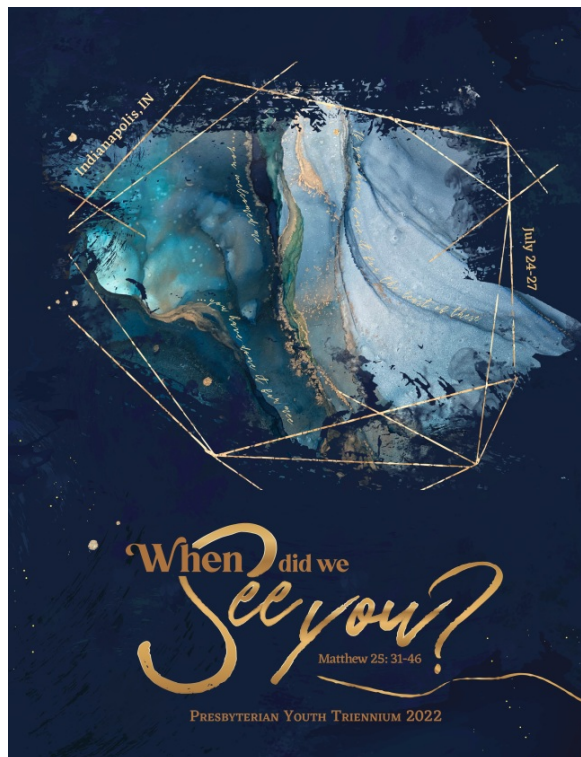
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## **PLEASE REMEMBER**

**Korean Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church** in Rowland Heights in your Prayers of the People this week.

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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**



**The Presbyterian Youth Triennium** is less than a year away and planning for an enriching, empowering, and fun time for Presbyterian high-schoolers all across the

**Microresistance as a Way to Respond to Microaggressions on Zoom and in Real Life\***

**2022 Presbytery Minimums**

*The 2021 mileage reimbursement rate is 56 cents per mile.*

**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.

**The Synod of Southern California and Hawaii office is now virtual.** Mail

should be addressed to:  
SYNOD OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA  
AND HAWAII  
8939 S. Sepulveda Bl. Ste 110  
#250, Westchester, CA 90045

The new phone number is 818-810-6137.  
The office is using a VOIP system for incoming calls, so your call will be directed to a staff member's cell phone after an initial greeting menu.

**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)

nation has already begun. Please share this **information sheet** with your youth leaders and pastors. **Fast Facts for San Gabriel Delegation.**

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**Job Postings**

**\*NEW\*** Westminster Pres. Temple City is looking for an interim worship leader, with possibility of a permanent position. Will lead weekly blended worship from guitar or piano. Salary range is \$150-\$170/week. Contact Pastor Vikki Randall at westminsterpastor@gmail.com.

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