

SAN GABRIEL PRESBYTERY

MONDAY MORNING UPDATE

December 12, 2022

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PRESBYTERY NEWS

[Monte Vista Grove Update](#), a reflection by Monte Vista Grove Chaplain, Rev. Diane Frasher



Please join the Presbytery in celebration at the Ordination service for Harlan Redmond, Organizing Pastor for Interwoven NWC. The service will take place this **Sunday, December 18** at 4:00 pm at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Pasadena--1757 Lake Avenue, Pasadena, 91104.

RESOURCES

PRESBYTERY CALENDAR

[**Download 2023 Meeting Calendar Here**](#)

Presbytery Office Open:
Tuesday to Friday 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

The Presbytery Office will be closed for Winter Recess from December 22 to January 2.

Please call to confirm availability as meetings are scheduled during these hours and staff might not be available for drop in visits.

PLEASE REMEMBER
GKI-LA in Covina in your Prayers of the People this week.

UPCOMING EVENTS



When we give to the Christmas Joy Offering, we share our love with the leaders of our Church — past, present and future — who point us to God.

Christmas Joy Offering

By supporting the Assistance Program of the Board of Pensions (BOP), the Christmas Joy Offering honors the faithfulness of current and retired church workers and their families in need. Thanks in part to support from this Offering, church workers can receive critical financial assistance to support them through life's challenging circumstances. These generous actions bear witness to our faithful response to God's charge to love one another as Christ commanded.

The PC(USA), with its historic commitment to higher learning, has long promoted education and leadership development through the establishment and support of Presbyterian-related schools and colleges equipping communities of color. Our future church leaders of color can receive much-needed assistance while they discover and pursue their professional goals at these schools and colleges. Your gifts allow these ministries to continue — sustaining a tradition Presbyterians have carried out for nearly 140 years.

Give to Christmas Joy:

<https://specialofferings.pcusa.org/make-a-gift/gift-info/christmas-joy/>

Daily Readings for Advent 2022

The 2023 Apportionment is \$70 per member.

2023 Presbytery Minimums

The 2022 mileage reimbursement rate is 62.5 cents per mile. Changed on July 1, 2022.

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

The Synod of Southern California

Shepherd of the Valley
Presbyterian Church
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Messiah Sing Along

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17 December 2022

Saturday 7:00pm

FREE ADMISSION

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Join Us for Rehearsals:

11/19, 11/26, 12/3, 12/10

Sat 3:00-5:00 pm

1723 Park Lawn Rd.

Hacienda Heights



Messiah Sing-along, Dec. 17, 7 pm

Shepherd of the Valley Presbyterian Church

Come to listen and/or sing. Email

sotvinfo@gmail.com for more info.

14 Nov	6:00 PM	Community Dinner	
	7:00 PM	Susan Suntree Sacred Sites: The Secret History of Southern California	
05 Dec	7:00 PM	Lisa Delinger, Ph. D. Contemporary Indigenous Challenges and Clashing with Churches	
19 Dec	7:00 PM	Anne Carter Walker, Ph. D. Indigenous Reflections on Identity, Space, and Living on Land that is Not Your Own	

Indigenous People and Native Realities

a three-part series

learn more at claremontpres.org/events

Claremont Presbyterian Church

invites you to a 3-part series titled

“Indigenous Peoples & Native Realities in Southern California.”

Three guest presenters will be addressing the issue of racism as it relates to Indigenous realities. Participants will be

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)

engaged in exploring these realities by learning through storytelling, hearing about contemporary Indigenous issues as it relates to churches, and what it means to live in a place that doesn't belong to you. For more information visit:
www.claremontpres.org/events

Part 2 Dec. 5 - 7 PM in Room 1 and on Zoom. Presentation by Lisa Delinger.

Part 3 Dec. 19 - 7 PM in Room 1 and on Zoom. Presentation by Anne Walker

Project Regeneration and Church Sustainability: Tools and strategies for aligning and reconnecting to our call, today

Join Maggie Harmon, ministry relations officer for the southwest for the Presbyterian Foundation, as we explore some of the challenges facing congregations as they navigate membership change, new worshipping experiences, and property management concerns. Shocked by a pandemic, called to respond to the pain of others, forced out of doing things "the way we always have," we have a unique opportunity to pause and consider where our call from God is leading.

Project Regeneration is a consultative service designed to companion churches through a discernment process to build agreement and clarity about goals for the future of the ministry. This is a faith-based methodological approach that includes prayer and study, trend analysis, and active group workshoping. We will discuss the nuances of what a Project Regeneration engagement might look like for your church, the kind of outcomes you might expect, and the realistic options for a church that finds itself at an inflection point.

Like any living body, the church moves through cycles of life, and different seasons of activity. Our day together will consider what this means for your congregation, how a Project Regeneration engagement might benefit you in your future planning, and how to be intentional in responding to the needs of our communities to create a strong foundation for future ministry.

<https://www.presbyterianfoundation.org/project-regeneration-and-church-sustainability/>

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