

SAN GABRIEL PRESBYTERY

MONDAY MORNING UPDATE

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PRESBYTERY NEWS

[Turning Points](#), a reflection by Executive
Presbyter, Rev. Wendy Tajima.

REGISTER FOR OUR SEPTEMBER 19TH PRESBYTERY MEETING

The next Presbytery meeting will be held on
Tuesday, September 19th in a hybrid format
- on Zoom and in-person at Claremont
Presbyterian Church. Please [REGISTER](#)
so we know who will be at the dinner, who
will meet in person, and who will join by
Zoom.

BOUNDARY TRAINING

In order to comply with Presbytery policy
and now the PC(USA) Constitution, all
minister members and CREs of San Gabriel
Presbytery engaged in public ministry are
required to take boundary training at least
every 3 years. We offer two options to fulfill
this requirement:

1/ The Synod is offering a one-day, Zoom-
based training with LeaderWise on
Tuesday, October 24, 9 am-4 pm. This
training is limited to 90 participants, and
people are registering fast. If enough people
register, they may hold a second
session. The Synod is paying for this
training. Register [HERE](#) and see the
[attached flyer](#) for more information.

WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Praise Community Church, Covina in
our Prayers of the People this week.



Presbytery of San Gabriel Invites You To

Winterfest
2024

Saturday, February 3
Plenary: *Growing as a Beloved
Community*
Dr. Tracey Shenell
at Northminster Presbyterian Church,
Diamond Bar



January 31 to February 2
Weeknight Zoom Sessions
7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Stay tuned to the MMU for more details.

UPCOMING EVENTS

**DINNER AND MEETING
WITH INTERNATIONAL
PEACEMAKER, BEFORE
SEPTEMBER 19TH
PRESBYTERY MEETING**

2/ Through Safe Gatherings, you may take a 7-session, self-led on-line tutorial for \$29. This training can be done on your own time, though we are asking everyone to complete the training by the end of 2023. See the [attached step-by-step instructions](#) for how to access this training.

FALL INTEREST SURVEY

Presbytery leadership wants to hear from you, as we plan for learning and relational opportunities in the coming year.

Please respond to [THIS SURVEY](#) by **September 30th, 2023**.

Unless you choose to give your name at the end, your responses are confidential.

The survey will also be available in printed form at the September 19th Presbytery meeting, where you can fill it out and place it in the offering plate during closing worship.

GOOD NEWS UPDATE - SB4

If you haven't already heard, SB 4 (Affordable Housing on Faith Lands) passed the CA State Assembly!

Because of our efforts and those of others across the state, more affordable housing will be built, and communities will be more integrated! The UCLA Turner Center estimates that almost 40,000 acres of land belonging to religious congregations will now be available for affordable housing. Conservative estimates put the potential number of housing units on the religious sites at 300,000.

SB 4 will now go back to the CA Senate to approve the changes made while it went through the Assembly, but this is usually just a formality.

Thanks to all of you for your faithful perseverance!



María del Milagro Mejía de Flores, an ordained deaconess, is a Salvadoran Theologian and lawyer, and a founding member and organizer of the Calvinist Reformed Church of El Salvador (IRCES). She will be in Southern California as one of this year's International Peacemakers, and she will be with us on Tuesday, September 19th. See her biography [HERE](#).

In order to meet with her personally, the Executive Commission has made the September meeting a hybrid meeting, with a dinner preceding the meeting. You are invited to attend the dinner and meeting at Claremont Presbyterian Church. We will begin to gather at 5 pm, and Ms. Mejia will speak and take questions starting around 5:45pm. The Presbytery meeting will begin at 7:00 pm.

You can also participate in the meeting (but not the dinner) via Zoom. Ms. Mejia will speak briefly in the meeting. Please [REGISTER](#) so we know who will be at the dinner, who will meet in person, and who will join by Zoom.

A graphic with a purple-to-blue gradient background. The text is white and yellow. It reads: "Trans-forming: Holding Faith in a Nonbinary God" in large white letters. Below that, in smaller white letters: "for Christians who want to understand gender identity and the Bible". Then in yellow: "7:00 PM PST • Monday nights via zoom". Below that in white: "October 2–November 13, 2023". Then in white: "Led by PCUSA pastor Vikki Randall, DMin, Brittany Burian, MFT and Lina Myrvold, MFT". At the bottom in small white letters: "For more info or to register, go to havenSGV.org or contact pastorvikkirandall@gmail.com".

Haven Fellowship invites you to join us for

Trans-forming:



GA226 IN SALT LAKE CITY: CALL FOR COMMISSIONERS AND YAADs

Interested in being a commissioner or advisory delegate for next year's GA in Salt Lake City? Review the [attached fact sheet](#) for information, and submit the completed [nomination form](#) (see attached) by October 15. Questions? Ask Wendy Tajima.

See the for more information.

RESOURCES

The 2023 Apportionment is \$70 per member.

[2023 Presbytery Minimums](#)

The 2023 mileage reimbursement rate is 65.5 cents per mile.

[2023 Presbytery Meeting Calendar](#)

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

PRESBYTERY CALENDAR

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

Presbytery Office Hours: Tuesday to Friday
10 am to 2 pm by appointment

Holding Faith in a Nonbinary God

Zoom workshop • Monday nights • 7pm PST
Monday nights, Oct. 2 thru Nov. 13

This is a course for allies and wannabe allies—for friends and church members who want to understand more about gender identity, and how to be an ally and support in a time when the trans community is under attack. We'll be using a great book by Austen Hartke called *Transforming*, and another book by an Episcopal priest, Tara Soughers, called *Beyond a Binary God*. We will reflect on how cis-gender allies might find their understanding of God opened up and expanded by understanding transgender and non-binary experience.

Register at havensgv.org

JOB OPPORTUNITIES IN SAN GABRIEL PRESBYTERY

Los Angeles General Medical Center seeks a Chaplain. [Find Job Description here.](#)

Westminster Presbyterian Church seeks a Facilities Manager. [Find Job Description here.](#)

Calvary Presbyterian Church seeks an Assistant Director for Children's and Youth Ministries. [Find Job Description here.](#)

San Gabriel Presbytery is seeking a part-time Stated Clerk for Administration. [Find Job Description here.](#)

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