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Welcome to the Presbytery of the Cascades email newsletter! Please share this information with others in your congregation. If you are unable to open links in this newsletter, please click here: [CEE-06-02-2009.pdf](#). Send names, church, and email addresses of your church officers, staff and friends to [CEE newsletter](#) to sign up. **Due date for submissions to next CEE: June 11.**

## **PRESBYTERY NEWS**

### **Presbytery of the Cascades meets in Vancouver, June 26-27**

Make plans now to attend the meeting at Columbia Presbyterian, Vancouver from Friday morning through Saturday afternoon, June 26-27. Official Notice: [June meeting](#)

### **Group returns from visiting Bolivia**

Eight Presbyterians from Cascades and San Francisco presbyteries journeyed to Bolivia where they were hosted by Brad and Ali Kent (First, Bend), missionaries from Cascades presbytery serving as volunteers in La Paz. View photos, read what the group learned and find out how all congregations can help with letters: [email](#)

### **Summer Conference price break deadline near**

The price break deadline is **June 15** for the Cascades Summer Conference, Weekend Edition, Thursday-Sunday, July 16-19 in Bend, Oregon. **Register by June 15** for lower fees: \$60 per adult and \$40 per child, 12 and under. Fees pay for handout materials, three lunches, two dinners, keynote speaker address, afternoon option sessions, and a conference notebook. Find out more: [Flyer and registration form](#) [On-line Registration](#)

### **New job search class at Southminster, Beaverton, begins June 9**

"Job Search Know-How" class meets Tuesdays, June 9, 11, 16, 18, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Southminster, Beaverton. The class explores alternative methods that will enhance what you are currently doing to find work. [Information](#).

## **EVENTS**

### **Concert by local musicians at PC of the Siuslaw in Florence, June 7**

Recital by the church organist and two vocalists on Sunday, June 7 at 4 p.m.

### **Interfaith Climate Vigil, June 28**

The service is Sunday, June 28, 7 p.m. at Tabor Heights United Methodist Church, Portland, with reception to follow. Hosted by Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon's Oregon Interfaith Power & Light, Tabor Heights United Methodist, and other groups and congregations.

### **Creation Care Fellowship Gathering in Trout Lake, Sept. 19**

Author Jane Kirkpatrick is featured. The theme is caring for the land through our relationships with God and neighbors. Sponsored by the Presbytery Eco-Justice Team. [Brochure](#)

### **Lectinary Retreat with Richard Rohrbaugh, Sept. 21-22**

An opportunity to spend time with the Rev. Richard L. Rohrbaugh as he leads the 2009 Lectinary Retreat, "The Social/Cultural World of Jesus and the Gospels." [Flyer and Registration](#)

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Missionaries to visit Cascades congregations, Oct. 9-16**

**Bill and Ann Moore**, Presbyterian Church (USA) missionaries in Japan, will travel and speak on Mission Challenge '09 and their work during October 9-16 in Cascades Presbytery. Schedule the speakers at your church *now*. [Sign Up Now](#)

### **What bugs you about church newsletters?**

On June 12 at the Presbyterian Communicators' Network conference in Atlanta, Marta Kramer and Genie Hambrick are leading a workshop on church newsletters. They would love to hear from you about particular questions and concerns—and advice—you have about newsletters (whether it's for your church or another organization). They will use information they receive for presentation and group discussion. Send to: [hambrickg@ctsnet.edu](mailto:hambrickg@ctsnet.edu).

### **Mission trip to India in July – how we can help**

A team of six from our presbytery will be working to promote self sufficiency of the people in south-central rural India, June 30-July 20. Focus of the Bharati Integrated Rural Development Society (BIRDS) is on health, education, care of orphans and financially stabilizing projects. Sponsored by United, Albany and St. Mark, Portland. How to help: [Information](#) [Photos](#)

### **Two-year paid study opportunity available to ordained pastors**

PC(USA) pastors in the five western synods may apply for a new program from the Office of Theology and Worship; 25 will be chosen to study with homileticians and missional experts in a two-year, all-expenses-paid academy. [Applications are now being accepted, so check it out.](#)

### **Hunger Grants available from Cents-Ability**

More than \$4,000 is available for grants to programs in the presbytery that address needs of the hungry. See "Cents-Ability Grant Program" on the [Presbytery website](#) for information. Funds are from the Cents-Ability hunger awareness program of the Presbyterian Hunger Program. See [Cents-Ability](#). Join a growing list of congregations in Cascades Presbytery who are participating in the Cents-Ability program. For more information, contact [Don Shaw](#) or 503.302.4656.

### **General Assembly Youth Advisory Delegate for 2010 sought; application due Sept. 10**

Is there a youth in your congregation who would represent the Presbytery of the Cascades well as a Youth Advisory Delegate (YAD) at the 219th General Assembly, July 3-10, 2010 in Minneapolis? Completed [FORMS](#) are due September 10, 2009.

### **Gospel lectionary retreat for pastors at SFTS, July 27-31**

Held at San Francisco Theology Seminary, this year's retreat is "Before the Cradle and Beyond the Cross: a retreat for preachers." [Information](#).

### **Presbytery New Orleans Mission Trip, Oct. 17-24**

Rebuilding needs in New Orleans continue, and joining the fifth Cascades Presbytery gulf mission trip October 17-24 is a way to make a significant difference. Cost is \$180 for food, lodging, and local transportation, plus price of your airfare ticket. Partial scholarships are available. To register or for more information, contact the Rev. [Linda Gebetsberger](#), First, Corvallis.

### **Summer Camps for everyone**

#### **- Day Camp – new this year, July 6-10**

Presbytery Day Camp is for kindergartners through third graders to enjoy camping activities just for the day at Menucha. Learn about God's love and enjoy God's creation. For more about camping programs please contact [Biz Larkin](#), Camp Coordinator at 503-460-3024, [camp website](#).

#### **- Summer Camps for children and families**

This will be another great summer filled with fun, new friends, and spiritual growth. Register online at the [camp website](#) or mail in your registration today. Don't wait; camps fill up fast.

#### **- Family Camp at Honeyman State Park, Aug. 8-15.**

For all kinds of families - bring a tent or a trailer and enjoy an incredible week at the Oregon coast in Christian community. [Family Camp](#)

### **Dates announced for Presbytery fall youth events**

**Middle School Mania** is at Camp Canyonview, October 23-25. **CPYA** (Cascades Presbytery Youth Assembly) will be at a *new* location - MacLeay Christian Retreat Center, November 20-22.

## Mission trip opportunity in Oakland, Oregon this summer

A youth group – or other church group – is needed to do a Vacation Bible School at Community Presbyterian Church in Oakland, OR this summer as a mission project. Please contact the church and Pastor Kathleen Brinegar at P.O. Box 359, Oakland, Oregon 97462 or 541-459-3131.

## Two free church organs available now

(1) 503-694-6757 or Mark Evers at Lake Grove Presbyterian, (2) 360-892-6613.

## Featured resource from the Media Center

From your free lending library: **“Walk Where Jesus Walked,”** DVD with Ray Vander Laan (two hours). Like being in a history class, but you are on location in the country now known as Turkey. For your personal edification or in group study. In five segments and comes with a guide. The two hours will fly by! # DVBB4005. [Media Resource Center](#) or 503-445-4999.

## USEFUL INFORMATION

Transitions in the Presbytery for May and June [Information](#)

May 2, 2009 Presbytery Council meeting [Highlights](#).

March 13-14, 2009 Presbytery meeting [Highlights](#).

Resources for current economic crisis: [Crisis and faith](#) and [Take action now](#).

Brad and Ali Kent's [email](#) letters from Bolivia

[Media Resource Center](#)

Northwest storm [Recovery updates](#)

[Minimum Terms of Call for 2009](#)

Per Capita for 2009 is \$22.55 each member, based on church membership as of 12/31/07.

[Giving in the Presbytery of the Cascades](#)

[OMNIBUS](#) newsletter, [Current Issue: June-July 2009](#)

[OMNIBUS](#) newsletter deadline: July 13 for Aug.-Sept. issue

[CEE archive](#) - **Cascades Electronic Express (CEE)** newsletter past issues available

### Church staff openings:

Youth Director, Westminster, Salem; First, Baker City OR

Praise Team Music Director – First, Bend

### **Contacts:**

[Cascades Electronic Express \(CEE\)](#)

[Presbytery website](#)

[Presbyterian Church \(USA\)](#)

Moderator's Blog on Presbytery website - join the [discussion](#).

[Presbytery Nominating Committee](#)

[Presbyterian Women](#)

[Deadlines and due dates](#)

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