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PRESBYTERY NEWS

New Terms of Call information for 2010: [Terms of call](#)

Minimum compensation for Pastors, Commissioned Lay Pastors and Certified Christian Educators.

Transitions in the Presbytery for June and July - [Information](#).

Lectionary Retreat with Richard Rohrbaugh, Sept. 21-22

Keynote speaker, the Rev. Dr. Richard L. Rohrbaugh, leads the 2009 Lectionary Retreat, "The Social/Cultural World of Jesus and the Gospels" on Monday and Tuesday, September 21-22 at Mt. Angel. Dr. Rohrbaugh has been among the pioneers in using anthropological studies of Mediterranean culture to set the New Testament in its ancient social and cultural context. He will contrast the social/cultural world of Luke's Gospel with the frequent Americanization of biblical texts in the commentaries and other scholarly resources used in sermon preparation. This retreat is open to anyone interested in studying Luke in depth. Pastors, elders, and adult education leaders are especially encouraged to attend. Register by Sept. 4. [Flyer and Registration](#)

Bolivia Speakers Available

Looking for someone to provide a minute for mission, preach a sermon on transformative mission in Bolivia, speak to a smaller group within a congregation, or to a local service club, school classroom, or radio program? Last May a delegation representing four congregations from Cascades presbytery, as well as congregations from San Francisco Presbytery, journeyed to La Paz, Bolivia, as part of our covenant between the Presbytery of the Cascades Presbyterian Hunger Program's Joining Hands with Bolivia project. These delegates are eager to share their experience. A PowerPoint presentation with voice and music can be part of their presentation. To schedule a speaker contact Don Shaw, donald_r_s@msn.com or 541-548-8637 or 503-302-4656.

PRESBYTERY EVENTS

Creation Care Fellowship Gathering in Trout Lake, Sept. 19

Author Jane Kirkpatrick will lead a session on writing your story. The theme is caring for the land through our relationships with God and neighbors. Sponsored by the Presbytery Eco-Justice Team. **New** [Brochure](#) and [Online registration](#). Register by September 11.

Mission Challenge '09 sign-up deadline approaching for Oct. 9-16

There are still a few time slots available during October 9-16 if your congregation would like to hear [The Rev. Bill and Ann Moore](#), Presbyterian Church (USA) missionaries in Japan. If you have not received a recent "confirmation of contact information" email, please phone or email [Don Shaw](#), 541-548-8637 or 503-302-4656. For more about the Moores and the Mission Challenge, read [Sign Up Now](#).

Cascades Lay Institute flyer now available for Oct. 16-17

The Lay Institute on Friday and Saturday, October 16-17, will be at Eugene, Westminister. Instructor is the Rev. John Huenink, speaking on "What You Need to Know about Presbyterian Polity (at least most of it)." No charge. **New** [Flyer](#)

'Reaching the unchurched' workshop led by Tom Bandy, Nov. 6

Come to the one-day workshop to coach and equip pastors and church leaders on how to reach out to the unchurched in ways that are authentic and effective. Led by international consultant Tom Bandy. Friday, November 6 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Lake Grove Presbyterian Church, Lake Oswego. [Additional information and registration](#) and [Online registration](#).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Religious leaders call for civility during August congressional recess

Recent attempts by organized groups to disrupt town hall meeting threaten an important tool for our state's representatives in Washington, DC to communicate with their constituencies. [More](#) from Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon.

Two clergy robe notices

- **Free:** Two clergy robes (long), one gray and one blue, and a full set of liturgical stoles. For more information call 360-574-0984.
- **Missing robe:** John Salmon's pulpit robe is missing. It is probably in a blue robe bag, three-fold type. The robe is black with doctor's stripes, with initials embroidered into the yoke. They are not John's initials; he bought it second-hand from the widow of another minister. If you have information about the robe, please contact John at mellersh@easystreet.net.

Music that makes community, June 10-12, 2010

Learn about congregational singing from the heart and without the use of a book. Look forward to this unique conference about "paperless" singing at Westminister, Portland. [Flyer](#)

New coffeehouse open at Mt. Tabor church in Portland

TaborSpace, the neighborhood coffeehouse open daily for coffee and treats in Mt. Tabor Presbyterian Church, also features occasional evening events. [Flyer](#)

Cascades member commissioned to new mission post in Sudan

The Rev. Debbie Blane was commissioned at the Churchwide Gathering of Presbyterian Women in Louisville to teach at Nile Theological College in Khartoum, Sudan, serving the Presbyterian Church of Sudan and the Sudan Presbyterian Evangelical Church. Debbie will teach college-level students preparing for pastoral ministry. She is a member of Cascades Presbytery.

Christ's Church in Monmouth celebrates 30th anniversary, Aug. 30

The church is celebrating 30 years as a United Methodist and Presbyterian congregation in Monmouth / Independence on Sunday, August 30. Fellowship hour is at 9:30 a.m., followed by Worship at 10:30 a.m. and a barbecue luncheon at 12:30 p.m.

Cool Congregations Workshops save money and environment, Sept. 12, 13

Make a difference in the world by reducing your carbon footprint and saving money. Two workshops by Ecumenical Ministries (EMO) - [Information](#) for both workshops.

September 12: 1 to 4:30 p.m. in **Portland**. [Download registration form](#).

September 13: 1 to 4 p.m. in **Eugene**. [Download a brochure](#).

Fall Classes at Menucha

Silent Retreat at Menucha, Sept. 25-27 is designed for anyone wishing to deepen practical spiritual practices, such as Solitude. Limited number. See [Menucha](#) programs for details.

Learning Digital Photography, Oct. 18-21 is for anyone who is a bit older and would like to learn how to use a digital camera effectively, including how to take, save and send pictures over the internet. Bring your own digital camera; we'll help you figure it out. See [Menucha](#) programs.

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.

Featured resource from the Media Center:

The Mayberry Bible Study with episodes from the TV show. Kit includes a study/leader's guide. With practical applications for daily living, both Volumes 1 and 2 feature relevant scriptures for you to use as modern parables on the teachings of Jesus. Each volume has four studies (service, mercy, commitment, etc.) and is a VHS tape.

USEFUL INFORMATION

[Highlights of Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of the Cascades - June 2009 \(PDF\)](#)

Cascades Presbytery in five of PCUSA [Top Ten lists](#) for giving in 2008.

Peacemaking materials available now. More [information](#)

Free choir robes, stoles, and communion cups from Nestucca Valley, 503-965-6229

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 - how to.](#)

[OMNIBUS](#) newsletter, [August - September 2009](#)

[OMNIBUS](#) newsletter submission deadline: **Sept. 14 for Oct.-Nov. issue**

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

Church staff openings:

Youth Director, First, Baker City OR • St. John's, Camas WA • Sherwood

Praise Team Music Director, First, McMinnville

Pianist/Accompanist, First, Bend

Children's Ministries Director, Southminster, Beaverton • Sherwood

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

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[Presbytery Nominating Committee](#)

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[Deadlines and due dates](#)

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