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PRESBYTERY NEWS

Session Clerks: It's time for Session Record Reviews

A number of locations and times are available to have your congregation's minutes and records reviewed before October 25. [NE & NW Regions \(PDF\)](#) and [Central & South Regions \(PDF\)](#).

New resources available for Peacemaking Offering, Oct. 4

It's time to begin promoting the Peacemaking Offering, to be received on World Communion Sunday, October 4. [Peacemaking Offering](#), [Peacemaking Worship Resources](#), [Peacemaking Litany](#) and more [information](#).

Theological Education Sunday, Sept. 20

On September 20 (or any Sunday you choose), the spotlight is on our Presbyterian seminaries and the important work they do educating our future pastors. The Theological Education Fund is the only dedicated source of denomination-wide funding for theological seminaries related to PCUSA. Resources available: [Seminaries](#)

Mission opportunity for two young adults; deadline Oct. 1

You can change the life of a young person, your congregation, and the whole earth by nominating a qualified young adult (age 20-35) to attend the January, 2010 Youth Congress in Bolivia, co-sponsored by programs of the PCUSA Presbyterian Hunger Program. Some financial assistance is available. **Apply by October 1.** [flyer and application](#)

PRESBYTERY EVENTS

Creation Care Fellowship Gathering in Trout Lake, Sept. 19

Keynote speaker, author Jane Kirkpatrick will also 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.

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 Mon. and Tues., Sept. 21-22 at Mt. Angel. Pastors, elders, and adult education leaders are encouraged to attend. [Flyer and Registration](#)
Registration closed. Contact the South Office of Presbytery for more information.

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.

Cascades Lay Institute in Eugene, 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. [Flyer](#)

Presbyterian Women plan Fall Gathering in NE/NW, Oct. 17

The annual Fall Gathering of Presbyterian Women in the Northeast/Northwest Regions is Saturday, October 17 at Kenilworth Presbyterian Church, Portland. Come to enjoy a presentation on mission work in Pakistan, a report on July's Churchwide Gathering in Louisville, a Thank Offering presentation, a terrific new Horizons study skit and lunch. [Flyer](#)

National PCUSA Peacemaking Coordinator to speak in Portland, Oct. 20

Rev. Mark Koenig, Coordinator of the PCUSA Peacemaking Program, will speak on Tuesday, October 20 at 6:30 p.m. at Kenilworth Presbyterian, 4028 SE 34th Ave at the corner of Gladstone St., just south of Powell Blvd. in SE Portland. The evening will begin with refreshments and conversation followed by a presentation by Rev. Koenig at 7 p.m.

'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

Installations of pastors – all are invited

- The Rev. **Timothy Scott Kinsley Vance** will be installed as Associate Pastor on Sunday, September 13, at 4 p.m. at Gateway Presbyterian, The Dalles.
- Installation service for the Rev. **Jeremy D. Watson** as Associate Pastor will be Sunday September 27, at 4 p.m. at St. Andrews Presbyterian, Portland.
- Installation service for The Rev. **Constance S. Wilkerson**, Pastor, will be Sunday, September 27 at 3 p.m. at First Presbyterian, Ashland.
- Installation service for the Rev. **Kenneth Biornstad** as Designated Pastor on Sunday, Sept. 20 at 3 p.m. at Community Presbyterian, Waldport.
- Installation service for the Rev. **Delbert "Del" Burnett** as their Senior Pastor on Sunday, Sept. 27 at 2 p.m. at first, Salem.

Noted author Bill McKibben featured, Sept. 11

Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon's Oregon Interfaith Power & Light and Interfaith Network for Earth Concerns will host environmental author Bill McKibben, creator of the 350.org international climate movement, for a Sept. 11 retreat called Nurturing the Spirit for Change. Reserve by Sept. 9 at www.emoregon.org.

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](#).

Presbyterian World Mission Celebration in Cincinnati, Oct. 21-24

All Cascades Presbyterians, pastors, congregation mission committees or others interested in mission are invited to consider attending the Presbyterian World Mission Celebration in Cincinnati October 21-24. Bill Sager, member of Mission Support Committee, has more [Information](#).

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.

Volunteers needed in Vernonia and Astoria before mid-Oct.

Help is still needed to complete repair on homes damaged in 2007 winter storms. Painters, helpers, carpenters and others are needed. [Long term recovery updates. \(PDF\)](#)

Featured resource from the Media Center:

The Evidence - God, the Universe and Everything, DVD by the Faith for Today Apologetics Group. (22 min.) Recent discoveries in physics and other fields suggest a radically new picture of the universe and humanity's place in it. Rather than being a sea of chaos, it appears to be intricately tuned. Great for provoking discussion among skeptics and believers alike. Ask for DVVPX002. [Media Resource Center](#) or 503-445-4999.

USEFUL INFORMATION

Pastoral transitions in the Presbytery for June and July - [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.

Minimum [Terms of call](#) for 2010

[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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[Deadlines and due dates](#)

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