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Welcome to the Presbytery of the Cascades email newsletter! Please share this information with others in your congregation. To sign up, send names, church, and email addresses for you, your church officers, staff and friends to [CEE newsletter](#). Due date for submissions to next CEE: **October 14, 2010.**

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PRESBYTERY NEWS

Important vote on new form of PC(USA) government at presbytery, Nov. 12-13

The "New Form of Government" will be considered for a vote by the Presbytery of the Cascades at the November 12-13 meeting. Be sure to get your copy of background materials now. Hard copies are available in the Presbytery offices. You can download this document and other interpretive materials below and on the presbytery website:

Proposed Amendments to the Constitution

- [Proposed Amendments to the Constitution—Part 1 of 3. Foundations of Presbyterian Polity and Form of Government](#)
- [Proposed Amendments to the Constitution—Part 1 of 3. Insert](#)
- [Comparison Chart](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions. Proposed Form of Government](#)

Presbytery of the Cascades Stated Meeting, Nov. 12-13

Plan to attend the November Presbytery Meeting on Friday and Saturday, November 12-13 at First Presbyterian Church, Vancouver, WA [Information](#)

Help evaluate the Presbytery website

Your help is needed! The Presbytery Communications Team would like to know how you use the Presbytery website. Survey results will help the Team make the site the best possible as we continue to make it even more useful and efficient. Please take a few minutes to complete the short survey before December 1. One survey per person. Thank you! [Website Survey](#)

Session Record Review Schedules

[Central and South Regions](#) and [NorthWest & Northeast Regions](#)

Young adults sought for Youth Congress in Lima, Peru, Jan. 24-28

The Cascades Presbytery Joining Hands with Bolivia Coordinating Committee is seeking outstanding young adults (age 20-35) who will form a long-term relationship with peers in Bolivia, Peru, Chile and Canada in addressing the water issues of the world [Information and Application](#)

PRESBYTERY EVENTS

New Dennis Hall celebrated at First, Corvallis, Oct. 10-17

All are invited to the celebrative opening of The John and Nancy Dennis Community Center and Fellowship Hall at First, Corvallis. A breakfast Oct. 10 and worship, dedication, and reception for Oct. 17 are planned. [Dennis Hall](#)

Presbyterian Women plan Fall Gathering, Oct. 16

The annual PW NE/NW Fall Gathering is Saturday, October 16, at Multnomah Presbyterian Church, Portland. Mission speakers will be Mary Lou Williams on her USA Mission Experience trip to South Dakota and Connie Brenner on work in Bolivia with Joining Hands. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. Cost for the day, which includes lunch, is \$10. Make checks payable to Presbyterian Women, c/o Sharon Fries, 1142 SW West Hills Place, Corvallis, OR, 97333.

Spiritual Renewal Weekend at Columbia, Vancouver, Oct. 22-24

Experience a Weekend of Spiritual Renewal at Columbia Presbyterian in Vancouver, WA with Dr. Jerry Sittser, professor of theology at Whitworth College. Friday, Oct. 22, 7-9 p.m. and Saturday, 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m. On Sunday, Oct. 24, Dr. Sittser preaches at all services. [Brochure](#)

Middle School Mania, Oct. 22-24

'Sanctuary 2010' is the Middle School Mania retreat at Canyonview Camp on Oct. 22-24. Plan to be there! Registrations due before Oct. 15. [Brochure](#)

'Listening with Your Heart' class for Deacons at Clatskanie, Oct. 23

A workshop designed for Deacons is hosted by Clatskanie Presbyterian on Saturday, October 23. Representatives from Hospice will help the group learn how to visit the terminally ill. All Deacons are invited. [Information](#)

Kirkin of the Tartans Worship service at First, Salem, Oct. 31

First, Salem celebrates the third annual Kirkin of the Tartans service on Reformation Sunday, October 31 at 11 a.m. Read more: [Kirkin](#).

Earth Care: Inspiration, Prayer and Action – new links, Nov. 6

On Saturday, November 6, everyone is invited to join for fellowship, worship, and workshops from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Westminster, Salem. Keynote speaker is the Rev. Sam Hamilton-Poore. Locally-grown lunch included. [Information and Registration](#). Bulletins in [Adobe PDF](#) or [MS Word](#). On-line registration coming soon.

'Roots and Branches' book studied in monthly classes at St. Mark, Nov.-May

St. Mark, Portland is hosting an exciting series of monthly classes led by Rabbi David Zaslow of Ashland from November thru May 2011. Rabbi Zaslow has recently published a text on the Jewish foundation and influences on Christianity, "Roots and Branches." [Flyer](#)

'Healthy Congregations,' Nov. 18-19

Some tuition scholarships are available to those who register early for the "Healthy Congregations" program for pastors Thursday and Friday, November 18-19 from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Shalom Prayer Center in Mt. Angel. This is a great opportunity for Continuing Education within the Presbytery. [Information and Registration Form](#)

Cascades Presbytery Youth Assembly (CPYA), Nov. 19-21

Plan ahead to attend this always fun and inspirational CPYA event for youth. **Register before Oct. 22.** Read [Details](#).

Cascades Educator's Event, April 26-27, 2011

The event for Cascades' Educators will be at Mt. Angel Retreat Center. [Flyer](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

In Memoriam

The Rev. Dr. Howard L. Rice died August 8, 2010. A memorial service is Saturday, October 16, at 3 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church of San Anselmo, CA.

Choral music offered to other churches – no charge

Eastminster, Portland has a huge assortment of three and four part choral music free to any church which would like to expand its music library. Please contact Florence Lersch at Office@EastminsterPDX.ORG or call the church at 503-252-3888. You are welcome to look over the music and take any or all that you would like.

Faith communities join 10/10/10 Global Work Party for Climate, Oct. 10

Faith communities throughout the state are encouraged to organize hands-on projects that have a positive impact on global warming – see www.350.org . Community members and members of local congregations will participate. [Information](#)

Indian mission dinner and speaker at St. Mark, Oct. 12

The director of BIRDS mission project in south central India will speak at an authentic dinner at St. Mark, Portland on Tues., Oct. 12, 7-9 p.m. [Indian dinner](#)

For Stewardship Commitment month from the Media Resource Center

The Confident Steward DVD series (eight DVDs)

- Every Member Visitation
- Direct Mail
- Consecration of Pledges and Members Day
- Small Group Meetings
- Commitment by Telephone
- Congregational Dinner
- Personal Delivery
- Stewardship Sunday Worship

Maureen O'Rourke-Director, Media Resource Center, 503-445-4999 or 1-866-200-5660.

USEFUL INFORMATION

Pastoral changes and church anniversaries - [Transitions Sept. - Oct. 2010](#)

Order 2011 Mission Yearbooks now; Cascades featured on page 268 - [Yearbooks](#)

Presbytery June, 2010 meeting [Highlights](#)

Presbytery on Facebook – [Join Us On Facebook](#)

IRS announces 2010 Standard Mileage Rates - [Information](#)

Please consider if you are called to serve. [Presbytery Nominating Committee](#).

Board of Pensions [Form ENR-111](#), revised 1/10

Minimum [2011 Terms of Call \(PDF\)](#)

Per Capita Rate for 2010: \$22.55, based on church membership as of 12/31/2008.

OMNIBUS Presbytery newsletter: [August-September 2010 Issue](#)

[OMNIBUS newsletter](#) submission deadline: **Nov. 15 for Dec. 2010/Jan. 2011 issue**

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

Church staff openings:

Youth Director, Oak Hills, Milwaukie • First, Cottage Grove • Gateway, The Dalles • First, Creswell • First, Newberg

Music Director, Milwaukie

Children's Ministry Coordinator, Oak Hills, Milwaukie

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

[Presbyterian Women](#)

[Deadlines and due dates](#)

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