

Heartland Presbytery

THE COVENANT OF HEARTLAND PRESBYTERY: As the body of Christ, we covenant with God and with each other to affirm our unity in Jesus Christ and share Christ's ministry with others as the Holy Spirit leads us.
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Heartland Connection

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June 29, 2010

Joys and Concerns

The Rev. Dr. Ron Galvin
The Rev. Jarrett McLaughlin
Ms. Ann Monger
Ms. Betty Miller
Ms. Sharon Welch
The Rev. Lyn Olson
The Rev. Jim Tilton
All Looking for Employment
Ms. Barbara Bever
Those Touched by Violence
Miss Allison Hart
The Rev. Bob Curtis
Ms. Sammie Johnson
All Military Personnel
Kenya
Victims of Natural Disasters
Victims of the Gulf Oil Spill

Please be in prayer for The Rev. William Johnson, Director of Community Outreach. Bill will have surgery to remove his gall bladder on Thursday, July 8, 2010. (Submitted by presbytery staff 6/29/10)

Please be in prayer for The John Welch, Temporary Supply Pastor at First Presbyterian Church, Fairfax, MO. John had surgery on Monday, June 28, 2010 to remove his gall bladder. (Submitted by presbytery staff 6/29/10)

Please be in prayer for Matt Schnaath brother to Cynthia Schnaath, Co-Director of the Church Resource Center. Matt has been diagnosed with cancer and will begin a month long treatment of radiation and chemotherapy in July. (Submitted by presbytery staff 6/23/10)

Please continue to pray for those instrumental in the cleanup efforts in the gulf coast.

Please be in prayer for all the commissioners preparing for the General Assembly July 3 through 10, 2010.

Link to additional Joys and Concerns:
<http://www.heartlandpby.org/joyconcerns/joyconcerns.htm>



The offices of Heartland Presbytery are located on the second floor of the Harold Thomas Center for Reconciliation at:
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Office Hours: Monday through Friday
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Parking lot entrance located off of Woodland Avenue behind building

A Partnership of Prayer

Please pray for all the Honorably Retired, at-large members who are not currently serving churches, all Ministers serving in validated ministries, and support staff of the churches each week.

June 27, 2010

General Assembly, Minneapolis, MN

Butler Presbyterian Church, Butler, MO

The Rev. Dick B. Pierson, Pastor
Ms. Pam Hedger, Clerk of Session
Ms. Anna Moore, Communicator

Walnut Grove Presbyterian Church, Butler, MO

The Rev. Douglas Shulse, Temporary Supply
Ms. Tina Simmons, Clerk of Session

Filadelfia, La Esperanza

The Rev. Isaías Gonón

July 4, 2010

First Presbyterian Church, Clinton, MO

The Rev. David P. Irwin, Interim Pastor, Honorably Retired
Ms. Gerri Ziegler, Clerk of Session/Communicator

First Presbyterian Church, Corder, MO

The Rev. Tom Thomas, Pastor
The Rev. Donald G. Sturgess, Pastor Emeritus
Ms. Sandra Brooks, Clerk of Session

Príncipe de Paz, Olindepeque

The Rev. Manuel Gómez

Of Special Interest

PRESBYTERY OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, JULY 5, 2010 IN OBSERVANCE OF JULY 4TH.

219th General Assembly. The opening gavel of the 219th General Assembly will be this Saturday, July 3, 2010 in Minneapolis, MN. Information regarding the General Assembly can be found at: <http://www.pcusa.org/ga219/>. Please be in prayer for our Commissioners to the 219th General Assembly: Mr. Rich Nolf, Ms. Laurie Anderson, Mr. Michael Kruse; The Rev. Donna Chavez; Rev. Landon Whitsitt, Rev Madeline Mercer and YADD representative Josh Dean. (Submitted by presbytery staff 6/29/10)

Do You Have the Expertise? The Harold Thomas Center is in desperate need of someone with the knowledge and expertise of parking lot spacing to come and evaluate the current parking lot. If you can help, please contact Brian Hathhorn, 816.924.1730 or financials@heartlandpby.org. (Submitted by presbytery staff 6/29/10)

A Cool Opportunity: St. Mark Union Church, 1101 Euclid, Kansas City, Missouri has for forty years provided a wonderful summer program of Christian education, nurture and fellowship for the children and youth of its neighborhood and community. This summer the program is at risk. Not from a lack of participation, over 50 children and youth are already enrolled. The issue this summer is a failed air-conditioning unit that cools the space used for this valuable ministry. The unit is over twenty years old. The contractor has informed the church that a total replacement to a more modern and efficient system would cost as much as \$65,000. The current system can be coaxed into another five to six years of service for about \$10,000 in repairs. If the congregation cannot raise at least the \$10,000 for repairs, the summer program will have to be shutdown as the temperatures begin to rise in July. Pastor Sam Mann and Executive Presbyter Charlie Spencer are asking individuals and sessions within Heartland Presbytery to consider an extra commitment gift to help this congregation maintain the long tradition and valuable ministry of this summer program. If you or your session need more information contact Sam Mann at (816) 842-5454 or the Presbytery Office at (816) 924-1730. Contributions may be made either directly to St. Mark Church or through the Presbytery, indicating that the gifts are for the St. Mark summer ministry AC campaign. (Submitted by Charles Spencer 6/29/10)

INFORMATION NEEDED: If your church offers **Taize Worship**, please contact Mindy at mfox@heartlandpby.org (Submitted by presbytery staff 6/22/10)

Haiti Relief and Recovery – By June, response by Presbyterians to the recovery efforts in Haiti passed \$10 million. \$4 million has already been committed to relief and recovery. We continue to assess needs and venues for long term recovery – including the possibility to begin hosting teams of mission volunteers by the end of the year. We are working carefully with partners to determine host sites where there is real need, a capacity for visitors and a context that will provide safe and meaningful experiences for participants. To learn more, visit the [Presbyterian Disaster Assistance website](#). We are grateful for the commitment and generosity of so many Presbyterians! (Submitted by presbytery staff 6/22/10)

People Investing in People: For the past three years the Self-Development of People Committee has been engaged in intense and deliberate partnerships in the Dominican Republic. The Committee partnered with groups of women working all over the country. Due to the hard work of the women the money invested in their endeavors was multiplied tenfold. They now operate a highly functioning bakery with a store front from which they sell candy, cakes and bread; they have a cheese factory, cement brick factory, and a warehouse from which they can store goods and sell to community people. They also make and sell beautiful hand-carved furniture. We also assisted the bateys in bringing in clean water to over 8,000 people. The major emphasis of focused funding in the Dominican Republic ends in 2010. The Committee is very pleased that we are leaving the Island in a much better position than we found it. The stories of the women are heartwarming as they shared how their lives have greatly improved. This year Self-Development of People celebrates 40 years as a ministry of the Presbyterian Church USA. Thanks to the generosity of Presbyterians who have contributed over \$95 million we have been able to help economically poor, oppressed and disadvantaged people in 68 countries. This year and for the next three years the Self-Development National Committee will have as its domestic focus assisting economically poor people in the gulf coast, border communities, in and around the Detroit area and parts of the northeast. Its major international focus will be Belize. Self-Development of People Middle Governing Body Committees continue to give grants to groups located within their geographical boundaries who are working toward self development. This year they have given grants totaling over one million dollars. Thanks for your generous gifts to the One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS). With these gifts Self-Development of People continues to work on your behalf around the world helping God's

people in need. Self-Development of People receives one third of the OGHS contribution to fund eligible ministries. The Committee welcomes proposals for consideration. Information can be obtained from: www.pcusa.org/sdop, Self-Development of People Presbyterian Church USA 100 Witherspoon St. Louisville KY 40202-1396 or Toll Free (888) 728-7228. (Submitted by Josephine Njoroge, National Self-Development of People Committee, Midwest Task Force 6/23/10)

The 50th Anniversary of The Reverend John E. Snider's Ordination to the Gospel Ministry of the Presbyterian Church, USA, will be observed at the Parkville Presbyterian Church, Parkville, Missouri at the 11:00 am Worship Service on July 11, 2010. John grew up in the Parkville Presbyterian Church and graduated from Park Hill High School in 1953. He graduated from Park College in 1957, and from San Francisco Theological Seminary with a Bachelors Degree in Divinity in 1960 and later with a Masters Degree in Christian Education in 1963. He was ordained by the Kansas City Presbytery in Park Presbyterian Church on June 26, 1960. (Submitted by Lorraine Bennetts 6/25/10)

Link to all current items Of Special Interest <http://www.heartlandpby.org/upcoming/files/specialintrest.htm>

Job Opportunities

PRAISE LEADER: First Presbyterian Church Independence, MO is seeking a qualified and gifted leader who is passionate about worship that draws people into the presence of God. The Praise Leader will be responsible for leading a contemporary service each Sunday and the coordination and implementation of the service and worship teams. The Praise Leader will recruit, train and lead the worship team and oversee worship practices. This position is a part-time (15-20 hours a week) position that provides worship leadership for one Sunday morning contemporary service. If you are interested, please send a resume to: sandygoins@sbcglobal.net or call (816) 373-0543. (Submitted by Sandy Goins 6/24/10)

Organ/Piano player needed. First Presbyterian Church NKC, 2125 Fayette, North Kansas City, MO 64116. One service and weekly rehearsals (plus seasonal special music). Send resume to Gretchen Gober or Jolene Shaw at First Presbyterian Church NKC, 2125 Fayette, NKC MO 64116. Questions: 816.699.5974 or 816.223.2974 (Submitted by Jolene Shaw 6/21/10)

Link to all current Job Opportunities <http://www.heartlandpby.org/Job/jobs.html>

Upcoming Events

- Heartland Youth Day at Worlds of Fun—July 7, 2010
- Presbyterian Youth Triennium 2010—July 20-24, 2010
- Installation of The Rev. Andrew Florio—4:00 p.m. August 15, 2010—Chapel Hill Presbyterian Church, Blue Springs, MO
- Senior High Retreat—August 27-29, 2010
- Stated Meeting of Heartland Presbytery—September 18, 2010—Kaw Prairie Community Church, Lenexa, KS
- Oasis—October 24-26, 2010—Elms Resort and Spa and Barbee Memorial Presbyterian Church, Excelsior Springs, MO
www.churchresourcecenter.org
- Mission Trip to Guatemala—October 29-November 5, 2010
<http://www.heartlandpby.org/upcoming/files/2010MayaQuicheTripBrochure.pdf>
<http://www.heartlandpby.org/upcoming/files/2010FallTripApplicationForm.doc>
- Stated Meeting of Heartland Presbytery—November 16, 2010—Effingham, Effingham, KS
- Embracing Hope—January 22, 2011—Brookdale Presbyterian Church, St. Joseph, MO
- Youth Service Blitz—January 21-23, 2011—First Presbyterian Church, St. Joseph, MO

Links to additional Upcoming Events: <http://www.heartlandpby.org/upcoming/events.html>

Deadline for articles to be posted in the next weeks Heartland Connection is 4:00 p.m. Thursday

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