

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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Joys and Concerns

Ms. Sammie Johnson
The Rev. John Welch
Mr. Matt Schnaath
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
All Military Personnel
Kenya
Victims of Natural Disasters
Victims of the Gulf Oil Spill

Please continue to pray for Sammie Johnson, wife of Rev. Bill Johnson, Community Outreach Director. Sammie is hospitalized in Little Rock AR. (Submitted by presbytery staff 7/12/10)

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

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



The offices of Heartland Presbytery are located on the second floor of the Harold Thomas Center for Reconciliation at:
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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.

July 11, 2010

Craig Presbyterian Church, Craig, MO

Ms. Lu Jackson, Clerk of Session

Espíritu Santo, La Cumbre

The Rev. Juan López

July 18, 2010

Youth Triennium

Our delegation of 37 Youth and 8 Adults attending the 2010 Youth Triennium July 20-24, 2010

Maya Quichè Presbytery

Honorably retired pastors in the Maya Quichè Presbytery

The Rev. Cristobal Garcia, Almolonga

The Rev. Santiago Atz, Quetzaltenango

Of Special Interest

219th General Assembly News: Check out www.heartlandpby.org for a Letter and FAQ's. (Submitted by presbytery staff 7/12/10)

Senior High Youth Retreat—“Face to Face: Relationships for the Soul” Saturday and Sunday, August 28 & 29, 2010. <http://www.heartlandpby.org/upcoming/files/facetoface810.pdf> (Submitted by Michelle Phillips 7/12/10)

General Assembly met last week and was, as consistent with its history, a well done and exciting gathering. I was very pleased to attend part of the week, participating with both the Presbyterian Hunger Program and Presbyterians for Earth Care booths and programming. I was also pleased to promote at an open hearing an overture written by the Presbytery of Charlotte to reaffirm the “Call to Restore the Creation,” originally adopted as part of the “Restoring Creation for Ecology and Justice” policy by the 202nd General Assembly (1990) in recognition of its continuing importance, and the crucial work remaining on the 20th anniversary of this policy. This overture passed. Both PHP, PEC and the Office of Environmental Justice were well represented at GA. Please keep all these groups among those which you promote this coming year and in your continuing prayers. (Submitted by Diane Waddell, Stewardship of Creation Enabler and member, Presbyterian Hunger Program Advisory Committee 7/12/10)

The Westport Presbyterian Church is hosting a Live, Staged Reading of Mark Twain's "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn" on Saturday, July 17, 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary of Westport Presbyterian Church, 201 Westport Road. (816-931-1032) Actors T. Max Graham, Walter Coppage and Vi Tran will be joined by folk guitarist Kelly Werts (playing music of the era!) to bring the Twain story alive. Tickets are \$10 adults and \$7 seniors and students. Anyone who brings peanut butter or other canned items for Harvesters Summer Peanut Butter and Jelly Drive will receive a \$1 discount on their ticket. Here is an internet link to a poster about this event: http://www.westportcenterforthearts.org/flyers/american_harvest.pdf (Submitted by Scott Myers 7/8/10)

Benefits Connect Tip: Retired members who are receiving Pension Plan payments can use [Benefits Connect](#) to check their payment history. So [register](#) for Benefits Connect today! Just visit the Pensions.org homepage and click the “Register” button under the Benefits Connect logo. (Submitted by Doug Kelly 7/7/10)

2010 Salary Study: The [median salaries and the dues minimums and maximums for 2011](#) and the [Salaries in the Parish Ministry 2010 Salary Study](#) with historical salary averages by Synod are now available on Pensions.org. (Submitted by Doug Kelly 7/7/10)

New Web Module for Personal Health Record : The Board has developed a [Web module](#) that highlights the benefits of the Personal Health Record (PHR), a convenient and secure health management tool from ActiveHealth Management. **Reminder:** To qualify for the \$100 Health Stewardship Incentive*, visit MyActiveHealth.com/pcusa to launch your PHR, complete the Health Assessment, and then sign in to the site at least two more times on different days **before July 31, 2010**. Visit the [PHR page](#) on Pensions.org for details. **This incentive opportunity is only available to the primary member of the Highmark BCBS Medical Plan. Spouses, dependents, and all members in the Medicare Supplement Plan are not eligible.* (Submitted by Doug Kelly 7/7/10)

Replays of the 2010 Regional Benefits Consultations: Replays of the plenary sessions from this year's Regional Benefits Consultations, as well as the pre-conference workshop, are now available on the [e-learning page](#) of Pensions.org. (Submitted by Doug Kelly 7/7/10)

Updates to Retirement Savings Plan Adoption Agreements: It is important for church treasurers and business administrators to update their church or employing organizations' [Retirement Savings Plan of the Presbyterian Church \(U.S.A.\) Adoption Agreement](#) whenever they make any changes that affect the plan. If you have questions about the Adoption Agreement, please contact the Board at 800-773-7752 (800-PRESPLAN). (Submitted by Doug Kelly 7/7/10)

New Issue of Award-Winning *EducationTalk* Newsletter: Each season brings with it a new issue of [EducationTalk](#). Find interesting news about the spiritual, vocational, financial, and health aspects of your life, all of which contribute to [Stewardship of Self](#). (Submitted by Doug Kelly 7/7/10)

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)

Heartland Presbytery, and equal-opportunity employer, seeks a half-time STATED CLERK. The minister or elder called to this role will have knowledge and experience with polity and procedures, continuing Heartland's commitment to the mission and life of the larger Church. The person also needs the ability to deal creatively with divergent opinions, building healthy relationships in the context of theological and budgetary challenges. More information can be found at the Church Leadership Connection (clc.pcusa.org) website, CIF#72318.AA0. To apply, submit resume/PIF the Rev. Madeline Mercer, Stated Clerk Search Committee, 4317 Greenwich Lane, Independence, MO 64055 or electronically to mercersetal@sbcglobal.net. Deadline for consideration is August 16, 2010. Link to all current Job Opportunities <http://www.heartlandpby.org/Job/jobs.html>

Upcoming Events

- 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 28-29, 2010 <http://www.heartlandpby.org/upcoming/files/facetoface810.pdf>
- 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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