

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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July 26, 2010

Joys and Concerns

Peg Irwin
Ms. Sammie Johnson
The Rev. John Welch
Mr. Matt Schnaath
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 be in prayer for Helen Hathhorn, mother of Financial Administrator Brian Hathhorn. Helen is in rehabilitation recovering from back surgery. (Submitted by presbytery staff 7/26/10)

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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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.

July 25, 2010

Deepwater Presbyterian Church, Deepwater, MO

The Rev. Dick B. Pierson, Stated Supply
Ms. Pam Robbins, Clerk of Session

Easton Presbyterian Church, Easton, MO

Ms. Connie Kerns, Clerk of Session

Effingham Union Church, Effingham, KS

The Rev. Jeffrey Cochran, Pastor
Mr. Ray Ladd, Clerk of Session
Ms. Alice Johnson, Communicator

August 1, 2010

Barbee Memorial Presbyterian Church, Excelsior Springs, MO

The Rev. Dan Clark, Pastor
Ms. Cheryl Faulkner, Clerk of Session/Communicator

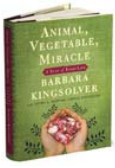
First Presbyterian Church, Fairfax, MO

The Rev. John Welch, Temporary Supply
Ms. Anita Sutter, Clerk of Session
Mr. Bruce Roorda, Communicator

Salem, La Cumbre

The Rev. Benjamín Yoc

Of Special Interest



Barbara [Kingsolver, in her book [Animal, Vegetable, Miracle.](#)] explores... the elaborate environmental cost of the global food chain. [She notes]... that the cheap and easy habits we take for granted — lettuce for salad all year round, strawberries in January — began as luxuries for the very rich. What her family did for a year, living off what they could grow and raise on the land around them, is the way most human beings have lived forever and many in the world still do... The way most Americans eat is elite in the extreme. This is hard to grasp, as the crops behind some of the cheapest, easiest staples of American life — including that ubiquitous high fructose corn syrup — are underwritten by government funding. The real costs of much of our food do not turn up itemized in our grocery bills, but hidden in our taxes. And then there are, of course, the environmental costs, harder still to see and calculate and that we confer as a debt to our children. Some people give up meat, Barbara Kingsolver says; she has given up bananas, no longer willing to live with the fossil fuel footprint that is necessary to bring them all the way to her in Virginia... They became focused in the most practical, daily way not on what they did not have, but on what they had — what was in season, what the garden was yielding plenty of today. It became, she says, a long exercise in gratitude. From Barbara Kingsolver and *The Ethics of Eating* (Speaking of Faith, July 15, 2010)

<http://speakingoffaith.org/programs/2010/ethics-of-eating/emailnewsletter.shtml> (Submitted by Diane Waddell, Presbyterian Hunger Advisory Committee 7/26/10)

Everyone Is Invited to Vacation Bible School August 2-6, 2010, 5:30 to 8 p.m. at the Covenant Presbyterian Church 5931 Swope Parkway, KCMO 64130. The theme is a **Praise Party** which is a heritage-based Christian education curriculum that will have you celebrating the saving grace of Jesus Christ with head, heart, hands, feet, and SOUL! Through Bible study, crafts, skits, movement, contemporary music, and well-loved hymns and songs of the Church, Praise Party will create passionate worship that truly makes disciples for Jesus Christ. Schedule Monday, August 2 through Thursday, August 5, 2010: 5: 15 p.m. Dinner, 6:00 p.m. Opening, 6: 10 p.m. Crafts, Lessons, 6:35 p.m. Crafts Lessons, 7:00 p.m. Music, 7:25 p.m. Dance, 8:05 p.m. Closing Time, 8: 10 p.m. Dismiss. Friday we'll have WORSHIP AND PRAISE NIGHT AT 7 p.m. Dinner will be at 6 p.m. (Submitted by Brad Smith 7/26/10)

Two events sponsored by the Synod of Mid-America are happening this October.



A Community of Practice (CoP) Leadership Experience scheduled for Oct 13-15, 2010. The event will be hosted at Village Presbyterian Church, Prairie Village KS and the SMA office.

A **“Healthy Congregations”** workshop uses the insights of family systems theory to help church leaders and all members become more effective stewards of their congregations’s health. This will be held October 14-15, 2010 at Southminster Presbyterian Church. For more information on both of these events visit: www.synodma.org (Submitted by Kerry Lancaster 7/23/10)

219th General Assembly in brief: <http://www.pcusa.org/get/resources/resource/6822/> (Submitted by presbytery staff 7/20/10)

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)

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

Job Opportunities

Village Presbyterian Church, Administrative Assistant to the Senior Pastor This position serves as part of the ministry team supporting the work of the Senior Pastor in his ministry with the Staff, the Session, the Congregation, the Presbyterian Church and the community. This position reports directly to the Senior Pastor. In addition to supporting the Senior Pastor with calendar, calls, correspondence and research, this person maintains some of the permanent records of the church both in print and electronically. Support of committees include nominating, search committees, personnel and other as needed both within the church, Presbytery and community. Coordination of memorial services with Senior Pastor, family, funeral home and bulletin preparation is also included. Skills needed include strong people skills, computer competence with Word, Outlook, Internet and some database knowledge. Must have strong attention to detail, written and oral communication skills, capacity to deal with many needs at one time, and knows how to

handle interruptions. Professional spirit a must as well as the ability to recognize and maintain confidentiality. Requirements include 3-5 years experience in an executive administrative assistant position, experience in church administration preferred and a college degree. If interested please mail or e-mail resume to: Pat Crovisier, Admin. Asst. to Rev. Tom Are, Jr., Village Presbyterian Church, P.O. Box 8050, Prairie Village, KS 66208 pat.crovisier@villagepres.org (913) 671-2341. (Submitted by Pat Crovisier 7/23/10)

KID'S CORNER COORDINATOR: First Presbyterian Church, Higginsville, MO is seeking a qualified and enthusiastic person for a part-time position (4-6 hours a week) to help jump-start our ministry to pre-teens. If you are interested, send a resume to pres111@ctcis.net or call (660) 584-3372 week-day mornings. (Submitted by Rev. Tom Thomas 7/15/10)

John Knox Presbyterian Kirk – 11430 Wornall Rd, Kansas City, MO 64114, 816-942-3637, – is accepting applications for the position of part time Choir Director. . Please see complete job description on website [www.JohnKnoxKirk.org]. Send resume to Rev. Andy Cullen[Andy@johnknoxkirk.org] or Vern Otte [murphyotte@aol.com]. (Submitted by Andy Cullen 7/13/10)

John Knox Presbyterian Kirk – 11430 Wornall Rd., Kansas City, MO 64114, 816-942-3637 – is accepting applications for the position of organist/pianist. Please see complete job description on website [www.JohnKnoxKirk.org]. Send resume to Rev. Andy Cullen [Andy@johnknoxkirk.org] or Kerry Strayer [kstrayer@kc.rr.com]. (Submitted by Andy Cullen 7/12/10)

Heartland Presbytery, and equal-opportunity employer, seeks a half-time STATED CLERK. 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

- 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/After Party—September 18, 2010—Kaw Prairie Community Church, Lenexa, KS
- Installation of The Rev. Leigh B. Gillis—September 20, 2010—Location TBA
- Breathe Fire: CoP Leadership Experience—October 13-15, 2010—Village, Prairie Village, KS www.synodma.org
- Healthy Congregation—October 14-15, 2010—Southminster, Prairie Village, KS www.synodma.org
- 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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