

# 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.  
Adopted September 18, 2007



## Heartland Connection

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July 6, 2010

### Joys and Concerns

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The Rev. William 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  
Ms. Sammie Johnson  
All Military Personnel  
Kenya  
Victims of Natural Disasters  
Victims of the Gulf Oil Spill

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#### CONGRATULATIONS TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, LIBERTY AND THE REV. LANDON WHITSITT:

Landon was chosen by General Assembly Moderator Cynthia Bolbach to serve as Vice Moderator of the 219<sup>th</sup> General Assembly. Please continue in prayer for the 219<sup>th</sup> assembly. Please begin praying for First, Liberty and Landon as he serves the larger church for the next two years.  
(Submitted by presbytery staff 7/6/10)

**Please be in prayer for Sammie Johnson, wife of The Rev. Bill Johnson, Director of Community Outreach.** Sammie is in the hospital in Little Rock, AR receiving chemotherapy.  
(Submitted by presbytery staff 7/6/10)

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

**Please be in prayer for all the commissioners at the 219<sup>th</sup> General Assembly July 3 through 10, 2010.**

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



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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 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

#### July 11, 2010

##### Craig Presbyterian Church, Craig, MO

Ms. Lu Jackson, Clerk of Session

##### Espíritu Santo, La Cumbre

The Rev. Juan López

## Of Special Interest

***It's your story! It's our story!*** We have an amazing opportunity to share through a national television broadcast the story of Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)'s long term response to hurricane Katrina and the thousands of volunteers who have walked alongside the people of the Gulf Coast. **But we need your help!**

- Contact your local NBC affiliate and ask them to order and air "**2010 Horizons of the Spirit Series**" – *Coming Home: Katrina 5 Years Later* It is available through the Interfaith Broadcasting Commission from September 12, 2010 through March 12, 2011. [Find your local NBC affiliate.](#)
- Tell them this would have a positive effect upon your community. If you or members of your church participated in a volunteer mission trip to the Gulf Coast, let them know.
- Encourage others in your congregation and community to spread the word and contact their local NBC stations today.



**PRESBYTERIAN  
DISASTER  
ASSISTANCE**

Learn more and download a bulletin insert on the [PDA website](#). (Submitted by presbytery staff 7/1/10)

**HEARTLAND PRESBYTERY ROCKS AGAIN:** Heartland Presbytery is listed in the Top Ten for **basic mission support by total dollar amount**. Check it out at [http://home-test.pcusa.org/media/uploads/common/pdf/top-ten-2009\\_booklet.pdf](http://home-test.pcusa.org/media/uploads/common/pdf/top-ten-2009_booklet.pdf). (Submitted by presbytery staff 7/1/10)

**219<sup>th</sup> General Assembly.** Information regarding the General Assembly can be found at: <http://www.pcusa.org/ga219/>. Please be in prayer for our Commissioners to the 219<sup>th</sup> 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)

**Check out an enlightening weekend at The Land Institute,** Salina KS coming up September 24-26. It is the annual **Prairie Festival**, which provides education on environmental justice. The purpose of the Land Institute is to develop an agricultural system with the ecological stability of the prairie and a grain yield comparable to that from annual crops. 2010 Prairie Festival Presenters include writer Wendell Berry, economist Josh Farley, ecologist Sandra Steingraber, Seed Savers Exchange co-founder Kent Whealy, and Land Institute president Wes Jackson. This is an amazing opportunity! Check out the website for more information: [www.landinstitute.com](http://www.landinstitute.com). (Submitted by Diane Waddell, Earthkeepers 6/29/10)

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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto: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

- 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](http://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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