

Notices

September 11, 2020

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Prayers Requested

- The congregations of John Calvin Presbytery...
- For all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, that they may know the peace that passes all human understanding in Jesus Christ our Lord....
- All churches seeking a new pastor, to understand God's call moving forward.
First Presbyterian Church, Carthage, Missouri
First Presbyterian Church, Chanute, Kansas
Crane Presbyterian Church, Crane, Missouri
Community Presbyterian Church, Forsyth, Missouri
First Presbyterian Church, Nevada, Missouri
First Presbyterian Church, Sarcoxie, Missouri
First Presbyterian Church, Scammon, Kansas
- JCPDA
- JC Living Waters Mission Team
- All Pastors of John Calvin Presbytery
- **Britney Shurtz, cancer treatments, daughter-in-law of Charley Shurtz.**
Charley is pastor at St. Andrew@Hideaway
- **Sarah Roberts, health concerns, wife of Matthew Roberts.** The Reverend Matthew Roberts is pastor of Woodland Heights Presbyterian Springfield
- **Brenda Havens, Brenda is home recovering, please keep praying for complete healing.** Brenda is the wife of the Reverend Bill Havens a retired pastor of JCP. Encouragement may be sent to **607 E. Berkeley, Springfield, MO 65807**
- **Richard Good, hospice care.** Richard is the husband of Carol Good and father of Diann Good of First Presbyterian of Chanute, Kansas.
- **Charley Shurtz, complete healing from illness and upcoming procedure.**The Reverend Charley Shurtz is serving as pastor at St. Andrew @Hideaway.



THE BOARD OF PENSIONS
OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)

Board of Pensions is providing a Benefits Webcast to highlight the 2021 Benefits Plan. Our Board of Pensions, Rev. Kevin Keaton, is offering the following one hour webinar to go over changes and answer any

questions you might have. Please add one of these dates to your schedule.

To better serve congregations in the our region, Kevin will be offering four webinars on the following dates:

- Tuesday, September 15 at 10:00 am CDT
- Wednesday, September 16 at 7:00 pm CDT
- Wednesday, September 23 at 2:00 pm CDT
- Thursday, September 24 at 10:00 am CDT

Those interested in participating are asked to send a request to him at kkeaton@pensions.org that he may provide them with a GoToMeeting link and advance materials. Link can be shared with those in your congregation that might find this information helpful.

Friends,

The Gibson Chapel session gathered to talk about the Equipping the Saints event. Reaching out to young black folks in the community seems to be too narrow of a focus for Gibson right now. The idea will need to ruminate them for a while. Two other ideas quickly bubbled to the surface: One is assisting the community Emergency Cold Weather Women's Shelter. A session member will contact the coordinator and report back as to the immediate needs and how to meet them. The second is to identify teachers of color in the Springfield Public School system and reach out once a month, choosing a different teacher with a nice basket that includes a wide variety of comfort items, just to let them know they are not alone in their difficult task of teaching during this uncertain time. Additional discussion was around how to do a Bible study remotely and identifying people who don't have a computer. Exploring what would it take to purchase Chrome books/small computers to help with connection. Further exploration will need to be done to navigate the technical challenges. Gibson Chapel will continue to brainstorm for more ways to be involved.

Holy Imagination + Race: September 15

How the Church Can Be a Healing Force in America's Racial Divide

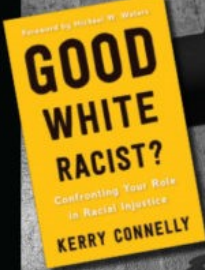
In this webinar, you will:

- Begin to understand and deconstruct white identity and how it operates in the world.
- Understand the process of this deconstruction, and how it resembles the stages of grief.
- Learn how to practice agency over embedded whiteness, unconscious bias and inherent racism.
- Get practical tips on how to combat systemic racism.
- Acquire language and tools to companion others in their process of deconstructing whiteness and other systems of dominance.
- Learn how the church can be an agent of change and justice in the current racial divide.

webinar

Holy Imagination + Race:

How The Church
Can Be a Healing
Force in America's
Racial Divide



WEBINAR

September 15

2 p.m. ET / 11 a.m. PT

Presented by Kerry Connelly,
author of *Good White Racist*.

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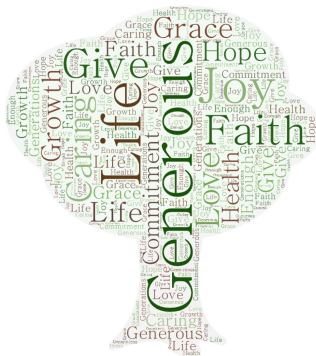
Copies of *Good White Racist* can be purchased online at the PC(USA) Store.



KERRY CONNELLY is a certified coach, speaker and the author of "Good White Racist? Confronting Your Role in Racial Injustice" and "Pause: Making Time to Walk with God." She holds additional certifications in DISC personality, emotional intelligence and global citizenry and is a New York City Leadership Fellow. She is in the final semester of her M.Div. at Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis, and she lives in New Jersey with her family.

[HOLY IMAGINATION + RACE](#)

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STEWARDSHIP KALEIDOSCOPE

September 22, 29

and

October 6

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Cost: \$45 for three sessions

We invite all to attend these stewardship webinars seeking to nurture, educate, and inspire faithful financial discipleship and promote meaningful holistic approaches to stewardship.



Brainstorming Advent and Christmas Observances

Rodger Nishioka spoke to John Calvin Presbytery about the DISRUPTION we are experiencing as a result of COVID. Our churches may not be able to experience some of their traditions this year. We are offering a brainstorming session to talk about what we can do. This may involve thinking of new ways.

Wednesday, September 23, at 10 a.m. via Zoom

Bring your morning beverage and a willingness to envision possibilities!

Register Here: Brainstorming Advent and Christmas Observances

Covid-19 Emerging Needs Administrative Commission First Quarter Report

First off, the Covid-19 commission gives thanks for grants that have been given and will be given over the 9 month cycle for these grants. At a recent meeting the commission raised the maximum amount that can be requested from \$1500 to \$2500. It is also hoped that in this cycle we can really focus upon community needs, as more and more needs arise from the Covid-19 virus crisis. See John Calvin website for grant application.

We're pleased to report that during the first quarter of the Covid-19 grant cycles (3 planned for) we were able to give out a total of \$14,000 (\$7000 worship needs, \$7000 community needs).

Hillcrest Presbyterian Church, Springfield, Missouri -

\$1,500 to improvements to sound system to assist with live streaming of services.

Gibson Chapel, Springfield, Missouri -

\$1,000 to improve A/V system at Hillcrest as they are sharing the facility and equipment.

Woodland Heights Presbyterian, Springfield, Missouri -

\$1,500 to improve sound system to support livestreaming of worship.

Trinity Presbyterian, Springfield, Missouri -

\$1,500 to provides bagged meals to those in shelters in Springfield. Initial goal is to provide 300 kits (600 meals).

First Presbyterian, Nevada, Missouri -

\$1,000 to partner with Community Kitchen in Nevada and local churches to assist in providing food to those in need.

Community Presbyterian, Forsyth, MO -

\$1,500 to improve A/V system to support livestreaming of worship.

First Presbyterian, Parsons, Kansas -

\$1,500 enhance church's Wi-Fi system to assist teachers and students from local

schools.

First Presbyterian, Rolla, Missouri –

\$1,500 to assist in the work of the Rolla Mission in providing food and shelter to the homeless in their area.

Crocker Presbyterian, Crocker, Missouri –

\$1,500 (\$1000 food and hygiene products and \$500 for sheltering).

First Presbyterian Church, Aurora, Missouri –

\$1,500 to make worship services available to members and friends who can't attend worship.

The Commission members thank you for this opportunity to allow John Calvin Presbytery to partner with churches in addressing local needs.

Sincerely,

Covid-19 Commission members,
The Reverend Dennis Winzenried
The Reverend Chris Miller
The Reverend Lou Ellen Hartley
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EMERGING NEEDS GRANT AVAILABLE.....

A new grant has been created to help congregations respond to emerging needs in their community, in response to the COVID-19 virus. Explanation and application for this grant can be found on our webpage.

EMERGING NEEDS GRANT

SYNOD OF MID-AMERICA....

Offering once a month sermons...

Sign up for SoMA mailing list receive monthly sermons

PCUSA RESOURCES FOR CONGREGATIONS AND MEMBERS

Contact Us..... How can we help?

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**Please continue to mail all remittances
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**Visit our website for full pulpit supply
list**