

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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March 22, 2010

Joys and Concerns

Jack Schrimsher
Millie Schrimsher
Virginia Robinson
Lyn Olson
Tom Eagle
The Rev. James Wilkins
Jim Cottrell
The Rev. Jim Tilton
All Looking for Employment
Jack Dalton
The Rev. Lloyd Haney
Christopher Gower
Barbara Bever
Those Touched by Violence
Allison Hart
The Rev. Bob Curtis
Sammie Johnson
All Military Personnel
Kenya
Victims of Natural Disasters

Our deepest sympathy is extend to Larry Knehans and The Rev. Kathy Knehans in the death of Larry's mother, Irene Knehans Monday, March 22, 2010. (Submitted by presbytery staff 3/22/10)

In Thanksgiving: First Presbyterian Church NKC is grateful Pastor Chris Herring and wife Terry are back from their cruise in South America. They were caught in the earthquake and spent 2 extra weeks aboard ship. (Submitted by Jolene Shaw 3/22/10)

Our deepest sympathy is extend to David Warm and family, in the death of his father Carl Warm. Carl died March 13, 2010 in Jackson, California. His memorial service will be held March 27, 2010 in California. David is a member of the LAMP Committee. (Submitted by presbytery staff 3/16/10)

Please be in prayer for Sharon Welch as she deals with recent health issues. Sharon is the clerk of session at the Community Presbyterian Church, St. Joseph, MO. (Submitted by presbytery staff 3/16/10)

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

March 21, 2010—Fifth Sunday in Lent
Village Presbyterian Church, Prairie Village, KS

The Rev. Thomas Are, Pastor
The Rev. Eugene Augustine, Associate Pastor
The Rev. Dwight Tawney, Associate Pastor
The Rev. Jarrett H. McLaughlin, Associate
The Rev. Meg Perry McLaughlin, Associate Pastor
The Rev. Ronald L. Patton, Parish Associate, HR
The Rev. Robert H. Meneilly, Pastor Emeritus
The Rev. Richard H. Athey, Associate Pastor Emeritus
The Rev. William J. Foster, Associate Pastor Emeritus
Ms. Deanne Gound, Clerk of Session
Mr. Patrick Bell, Communicator

Rantoul Community Presbyterian Church, Rantoul, KS
Ms. Juanita Peckham, Clerk of Session

Raymore Presbyterian Church, Raymore, MO

Mr. David Kremer, Commissioned Lay Pastor
Mr. Steve Archer, Clerk of Session
Ms. Angie Hardison, Communicator

March 28, 2010—Passion/Palm Sunday
Blue Ridge Presbyterian Church, Raytown, MO

The Rev. Mark Braden, Interim Pastor
Ms. Avis Odenbaugh, Clerk of Session
Ms. Debbie J/ones, Communicator

Faith Presby/erian Church, Raytown, MO

The Rev. Robert Cromwell, Pastor
Ms. Sandy Melton, Clerk of Session/Communicator

United Christian Presbyterian Church, Richmond, MO

The Rev. John R. Johnson, Pastor
Mr. Larry Maxwell, Clerk of Session/Communicator

Link to 2009-2010 Partnership of Prayer book <http://www.heartlandpby.org/partnetofprayer/partnetofprayer.html>

Of Special Interest

A Visiting Scholar Event Friday & Saturday April 16 & 17, 2010, Village Presbyterian Church, Prairie Village, KS—Dancing with Scripture: Friday, April 16 7:00 pm - Learning Jesus: History or Literature? Reception and book signing follow the program. Books will be available for purchase courtesy of Rainy Day Books. Saturday, April 17 9:00 am - Learning Jesus: The Christian Life 10:30 am - Learning Jesus: Faithful Use of Our Possessions **Come, dance with the scripture. For more information visit our website at www.villageyouth.com/visitingscholar (Submitted by Village Presbyterian Church 3/16/10)**



On Saturday, March 27 (8:30 - 9:30 pm local time), hundreds of millions of people around the world will participate in **Earth Hour 2010**. They will come together in a call for action on climate change by doing something quite simple--turning off their lights for one hour! **Earth Hour 2010** symbolizes that by working together each of us can make a positive impact in the effort to protect our future and that of future generations from the adverse consequences of climate change. Visit

<http://www.earthhour.org/> to learn more and to sign up. From a local event in Sydney, Australia, in 2007, **Earth Hour** has grown into a truly global movement. In 2008, 50 million individuals in 371 cities in 35 countries participated; in 2009, the movement brought together nearly one billion people, 4,000 cities, and 88 countries! (Submitted by Jerry Rees, member of Earthkeepers and Midwest Regional Representative for Presbyterians for Earth Care 3/22/10)

One Great Hour of Sharing -- "Do you Love me? Feed my Sheep" How many things can you do in a given week that will create lasting change around the world? As a congregational leader, you know your members are deeply interested in what they can do that WILL change the world. We want to do all we can to help you acquaint them with the transformation their past gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing have already made possible and with the potential difference their gifts can make now. Like the vast majority of Presbyterian congregations, your congregation probably receives One Great Hour of Sharing, but do your members give simply out of habit? This year we encourage you to engage them more deeply in understanding and connecting with the ministries of this offering. Most congregations receive One Great Hour of Sharing on Palm Sunday and/or Easter. If your offering is similarly timed, please take a moment now to help ensure its success this year -- (from the PCUSA). As a member of the Presbyterian Hunger Program Advisory Committee, I would ask that you make a special plea with your congregation to increase their funding to OGHS. Eighty percent of the funding of the PHP as well as of Self Development of People and Presbyterian Disaster Relief funding comes from OGHS. Funding has been decreasing lately. Funding has been especially vital lately particularly with the Haiti and Chile disasters so that we are able to share with out brothers and sisters around the world who are in need. We also grant funding for sustainable agriculture, clean water, and much more. If you would like a moment for mission or other information, please feel free to email me at diane_waddell@sbcglobal.net. (Submitted by Diane Waddell 3/22/10)

In Honor of Women's History Month Westport Center for the Arts presents WOMEN'S VOICES: A Celebration of Women and the Arts. Women Composers, Writers, Choreographers and Visual Artists will be represented (Maya Angelou, Martha Graham, Twyla Tharp, Clara Schumann, Hildegard, Frida Kahlo and more!) Performed by: Sherri Roulette-Mosley (actress-reader) Riva Capellari (soprano) Claudette Schiratti (pianist) Amanda McMaster (choreographer-dancer) Sunday, March 28, 3:00 p.m. \$10 adults \$7 students/seniors For a downloadable poster, click on this link: http://www.westportcenterforthearts.org/Resources/womens_voices.pdf (Submitted by Scott Myers 3/22/10)

You are invited to an AUTHENTIC PASSOVER SEDER at Westport Presbyterian Church, Thursday, April 1, 6:00 p.m. Our leader this year is Mr. Barry Speert, a Jewish and interfaith leader in Kansas City. We read from the "Family Haggadah", sing and dance and ask the question: "In what ways are we still slaves in Egypt? In what ways are we still not free?" Call to make a reservation: 816-931-1032. Here is a link to a poster:

http://www.westportpresbyterian.org/Resources/passover_seder.pdf Then consider an **ILLUMINATED GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE**, where we read the Passion narrative and sing and extinguish candles while art from all over the Planet Earth and every day and age--depicting and interpreting the Passion Story--is displayed on The Big Screen. Friday, April 2, 7:30 p.m. Here is a link to a poster:

http://www.westportpresbyterian.org/Resources/good_friday.pdf (Submitted by Scott Myers 3/22/10)

Heartland Presbytery's Spring Gathering of Presbyterian Women and 4th Annual Festival of Peacemaking

registration: <http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07e2qxste6db38f5a7> (Submitted by Malinda Spencer 3/22/10)

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

Job Opportunities

The First Presbyterian Church of Independence is seeking a director of Music Ministry to provide leadership to our traditional worship team and collaborative support of contemporary worship teams. This will involve directing our Chancel choir in providing excellent worship experiences in our traditional services. It also involves supervising our Bell choir and working with our Children's choir director during special times to enhance worship. Additionally, this person will work with our contemporary worship team leader to provide excellent worship experiences throughout our ministry. We are looking for a person with a passion for Christ, an appreciation for both of our traditional and contemporary music styles, and the background and skills needed to lead our music ministry and music ministry teams into the future. Salary and benefits commensurate with experience and qualifications Contact John 816-461-6200 jcboys1@att.net. (Submitted by John Crick 3/12/10)

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

Upcoming Events

- Stewardship Kaleidoscope –March 15-17, 2010—Indianapolis, IN
<http://www.heartlandpby.org/upcoming/files/StewardshipKaleidoscope2010.pdf>
- Installation of The Rev. Kirk Perucca—1:30 p.m., March 28, 2010—Covenant Presbyterian Church, KCMO
- Stated Meeting of Heartland Presbytery—April 20, 2010—First, Pleasant Hill, MO
- Festival of Peacemaking/PW Spring Gathering—April 24, 2010—Village Presbyterian Church, Prairie Village, KS
- Middle School Retreat: RELATIONSHIPS—April 24-25, 2010—Heartland Presbyterian Center
- Registration Form <http://www.heartlandpby.org/upcoming/files/MiddleSchoolRetreatRegistration410.pdf>
Flyer <http://www.heartlandpby.org/upcoming/files/MiddleSchoolRetreatFacetoFace410.pdf>
- Stated Meeting of Heartland Presbytery—June 15, 2010—Hosted by St. Paul, KCMO at Linwood United, KCMO
- Presbyterian Youth Triennium 2010—July 20-24, 2010
- Stated Meeting of Heartland Presbytery—September 18, 2010—Kaw Prairie Community Church, Lenexa, KS
- Stated Meeting of Heartland Presbytery—November 16, 2010—Effingham, Effingham, KS

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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