The Homesteader

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Dear Kris

Welcome to the The Homesteader!

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SOME ASSEMBLY REQUIRED

Highlights of the November 2012 Presbytery Assembly Compliments of Richard Wyatt

Congratulations! Cheryl Scott (Hickman) was recognized as the Outstanding Homesteader for 2012 and was presented with the Giles Award. Well done good and faithful servant.

- MORE WITH LESS! Associate Minister for Music at the Plymouth Congregational Church in Lincoln, Mr. Jeremy Bankson, presented a riveting workshop "Creativity with Limited Resources". Check out Jeremy's list of Resources and Suggestions
- **WORSHIP** provided a challenging sermon by Moderator Charity Potter. The offering of \$379 was dedicated to PDA relief efforts from Hurricane Sandy.
- Throughout the meeting, our Moderator provided opportunity for Grace Notes, when commissioners shared some exciting things about their congregations.
- A celebration of the witness and ministry of the **BETHANY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH** near Carroll was presented by Rev. Ray McCalla through appreciative narrative and slides as the administrative commissions concluding action.
- Presbytery authorized the Ordination commission for **ZAC WOLFE** who has been called to ministry in Jefferson City, MO.
- Restated **BY-LAWS** were given first reading. Voting in February.
- New **Book of Order Amendments** were distributed. Voting in February.
- The gavel was passed to our **new Moderator Elder ROBIN HADFIELD** (Eastridge). Vice Moderator elected is Rev. JIM MCNEAL.
- **NEW SHIRTS!!** With the Homestead logo, and they are RED (stone also available), and they come in both women's and men's styles...button down and polo. Orders and more info from krisp@homesteadpres.org
- 2013 ASSEMBLIES:
 - February 23, Saturday Eastridge (Lincoln)
 - May 16, Thursday Norfolk
 - Workshops:
 - Planting a Community Garden led by Lori Urban & Jared Ketner, Wahoo, NE

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The Wise Men still Seek Him Advent Devotional

If you'd like to receive a daily link, send Kris your email address by Wednesday,

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Why I Love My Church....

There just doesn't seem to be enough love for our churches. Come on! Share with us - don't be shy! Send a note about why you love your church! krisp@homestead.org

PYT 2013

Registration for High School age



youth begins January 31- May 31, 2013 (Fall 2013 freshman thru graduating spring of 2013)

Cost: \$469.00 per person Homestead Presbytery covers transportation costs Registrar: Rev. Cathy Allen tworevs52@yahoo.com or 402-892-3362

Related Links

Mission Yearbook of Prayer
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Presbyterian Church (USA)

- Service of Wholeness/Healing led by Pastor Duncan
- Church and Pastoral Finances led by Cheryl Rennick
- How to Put Together and Run a Good Bible Study led by Rev. Ray McCalla
- August 16-17 Fri./Sat. Calvin Crest with MRV Presbytery
 - GA Moderator Rev. Neal Presa will address us.
- November 21 Thursday Fremont

Zac Wolfe Ordained at Westminster by Marge Tomlinson

Zac Wolfe, son of Kaye and Kent Wolfe and a Westminster member who has grown up through our Sunday school and youth programs and has served as an elder on Westminster's session, was ordained into the ministry in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)Sunday, Nov. 18 during 10:30 a.m. worship. Special music "Concerto for Flute and Strings in D Major," featuring Samuel Guyer of Westminster on flute, was provided by members of the Lincoln Youth Symphony directed by Mr. Clark Potter.

The service began "Glory" sung by Westminster's middle school ensemble

WOW XL and the reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant. The message "Claimed, Named, and Aimed" offered by Westminster senior pastor Rev. Dr. Andrew McDonald was based on scriptures Zac had chosen - Jeremiah 1:4-10 and Luke 22:24-27.

Homestead Presbytery Moderator Robin Hadfield officiated at the ordination. She was joined by Associate Pastor Rev. Dr. David Henry and Ruling Elder Garth Haugen of First Church, Jefferson City, Homestead Presbytery members Rev. Dr. Richard Wyatt, Executive Presbyter, Rev. Kara James, moderator of Committee on Preparation for Ministry, Rev. Lynn Davis, (Chaplain, US Army Retired), Ruling Elders Sue and David Dubois, of First Church, Wahoo, Westminster staff Rev. Dr. McDonald, Rev. Bob Snell and Rev. Ellen Davis, and ecumenical representative the Rev. Dr. Bob McCallister, United Methodist pastor (retired).

Zac was presented a robe on behalf of the Westminster congregation and liturgical stoles given by Rev. Jimmy Shelbourn, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Beatrice. Zac was joined by his wife Rudi as he closed the service with the charge and blessing. A reception followed in Fellowship Hall.

Zac, a graduate of Columbia Seminary in Georgia, has served an internship at First Church, Wahoo and completed advanced Clinical Pastoral Education in Omaha. He will begin his ministry as an associate pastor at First Presbyterian Church, Jefferson City, Missouri, December 2.

Tell us what's going on in the life of your congregation or ministry - Church news, event promotion, mission articles and photos are all welcome!

Please submit articles to krisp@homesteadpres.org

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Running Notes

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Calvin Crest Camp & Conference Center

Gina Meester now has a blog about her life in Africa as a YAV check it out at thttp://gmyav2012.blogspot.com/





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