

August 6, 2020

Presbytery News

IT'S TIME TO GET REGISTERED FOR PRESBYTERY!

Make sure you get registered for the Presbytery meeting on Saturday, August 15th. This will again, be a Stated Assembly by Zoom. The link and other meeting information will be e-mailed to you the week of the meeting.



We will also be having a "Zoom Refresher" & Orientation for New Commissioners at 9:30 am before the meeting on the 15th. The Stated Meeting starts at 10 am. You can also click the link below to see the Zoom Tutorial we had before the last Presbytery Assembly.

REGISTER NOW!

ZOOM Tutorial for Presbytery

Get Your 2020-2021 Planning Calendars!

TOMORROW!

The Presbytery will be placing a bulk order for the new 2020-2021 Planning Calendars. **Make sure to get your orders in by**

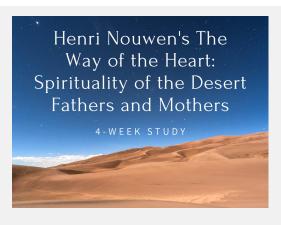


\$10/calendar for pickup at the Presbytery Office\$11.50/calendar shipped to you

ORDER HERE!

AUGUST EVENTS AT





A 4-week Book Study on Zoom beginning Tuesday, August 11th at 11:00am or Wednesday, August 12th at 1:30pm CST. Book not required for the first week, no assigned reading for the first meeting. It's a fairly short book around 100 pages depending on which edition of the book you get. We will organize our reading by chapters so any edition, including Kindle, will work for the study. Join us to learn about the wisdom

of the desert mystics that is so influential for todays contemplatives.

Register Here:

Tuesdays: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZctfu-

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Wednesdays: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYrcOiurDgoEtXLYG

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Noon-hour silent prayer Weekdays 12:15pm-1:00pm: https://zoom.us/j/735301950

Lectio Divina Mondays 9:30am: Register via this link on zoom

Contemplative Movement Fridays 5:30pm-6:30pm: https://zoom.us/j/386874404

House Church Sunday's 4pm-5pm: https://zoom.us/j/993530287

Contemplative Conversation Sundays at 2:30 PM (The Work of the People Short Films)

Register via this link on zoom

New Worshiping/Church Vitality Committee
A series of articles on the
7 Marks of a Vital Congregation.

2 Opportunities for YOU to Take a Deeper Dive into Church Vitality in this Time!

This week, the NWC&CV Committee wanted to invite you to join us in two

opportunities for learning more about strengthening the vitality and health of your church.

- 1. Vital Congregations 2020 Annual (Virtual) Gathering
- Join us in exploring making generous disciples, communicating and social media, practicing relevant evangelism for today, practicing gender inclusiveness and antiracism, hearing from Dr. Tod Bolsinger, author of Canoeing the Mountains: Christian Leadership in Uncharted Territory, and Dr. Bill Brown, Old Testament Professor at Columbia Theological Seminar, and so much more without leaving your couch!
- This great event happens August 18-20, 10am-2pm, but members of our presbytery only need to attend on Sept 19 and 20. The cost is only \$75. For more information and detailed schedule, click on the following link: 2020 Annual Vital Congregations Gathering.
- To register for only \$75, go to https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfCRMM_HJ3xX49DsdnJKxCB-QOtSUn9JZNST163Qk1lrGjBvw/viewform
 Hurry, registration ends August 10!
- Contact Rev. Zac Wolfe at pastorzacwolfe@gmail.com for questions.

Participate in the Homestead Presbytery Church Vitality Workshop
We will be having a workshop to build on the gathering we had in March. The
workshop will be held in late October or early November, but you have an
opportunity to help us shape the event! Our committee will be reaching out to those
who attended our event in March with a few questions that will help us understand
how best the workshop can serve your church. We will also be collecting stories of
what churches have learned and how you have expanded your ministry in this time
with the desire to share these stories with the rest of our presbytery. Please be
thinking of the content and support your church would benefit from at this time
along with your church's stories, and share your honest answers when you are
contacted.

*If you didn't attend the Church Vitality Gathering in March and have stories to share or would like to take part in Church Vitality events moving forward, please contact Rev. Darin Bentzinger at souldrdarin@gmail.com.

We are excited to connect with you over the next couple of months!

On behalf of the NWC&CV Committee,

Zac Wolfe
Pastor of FPC Beatrice
Moderator NWC&CV Committee



An exciting opportunity in Bowen Family Systems Theory is now available online for the 2020-2021 academic year and Omaha Presbyterian Seminary Foundation is offering ten \$1000.00 scholarships for those who are accepted and qualify within the Foundation's <u>13-state region</u>. (For scholarship approval & payment, please email a copy of your paid registration receipt to Joyce at opsf@opsf-omaha.org.)

This training opportunity is being offered by the KC Center for Family & Organizational Systems. Applications for the 2020-2021 Post-Graduate Training Program are now being accepted at https://www.kcfamilysystems.org/education-training/ (you can also watch a narrated PowerPoint overview of the program)

Homestead Church Technology Upgrade Grant

Homestead Presbytery, through the Program and Grants Committee, is offering Technology Upgrade Grants of up to \$1000 to congregations who demonstrate need and vision. During this time of the coronavirus pandemic we seek to assist and support those congregations who would like to upgrade their technology to facilitate new models and platforms for worship and congregational gatherings.

Below you will find two versions of the Grant application. One is a fillable PDF form that you can download and just type in your responses and e-mail back the form; the second form is a word document if you prefer to print and hand write your application.

Fillable PDF Grant Application

Word Doc Grant Application

Weekly Homestead Zoom Forum



Click the video above to watch yesterday's Zoom forum. They happen weekly on Wednesday's at 1pm. Click the link below to register. You will receive a confirmation e-mail from Zoom with the link to connect to the meeting.

Register now!

Weekly Prayer Requests

Bancroft

Prayers are requested for the well being and prosperity of the Bancroft congregation. May they continue to grow as a caring and nurturing Christian community, as well as individuals, focusing on prayer, Bible study and worship.

Homestead Presbytery

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