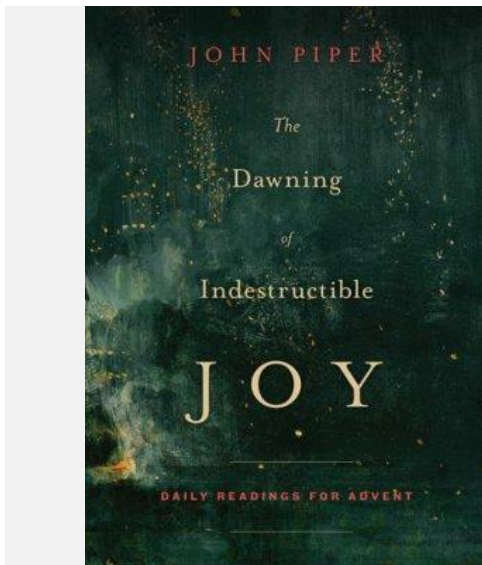




November 29, 2018

Get Lost in a Book



Combat the stress of the holidays by focusing on the true liberating message of Christmas! Drawn from the extensive preaching and teaching ministry of John Piper, these 24 Advent meditations will lead you to ponder the events surrounding Jesus' birth---as well as his significance as Israel's long-awaited Messiah, joy-bringer, and Savior of the world.

(Click Image to Order!)

2018 Robert Giles Outstanding Homesteader

Congratulations to Frances McIntosh, 93, of Fourth Presbyterian Church in Lincoln! Frances was awarded the 2018 Robert Giles Outstanding Homesteader Award. This award honors clergy and laity in the Presbytery who have made outstanding contributions to church and community life. Frances joined Fourth Presbyterian church in 1944 and was ordained as one of the first female Elders in 1967. She was faithfully married to Wayne for 52 years until his passing. She has two children, Joanne, who works in an assisted living center

and Dan, a Lincoln firefighter.

Frances has been actively involved in the church since she joined. She accompanied worship on the piano for over 30 years, serves as our financial contributions secretary and is currently a contributing member of the church mission & outreach committee. She has served on every church committee throughout the years and still teaches Adult Sunday School after more than 40 years.

Frances has also been active outside of her local congregation. She worked with Presbyterian Women at both Presbytery and Synod level and served as President of the Women of Nebraska City Presbytery. Frances was instrumental in helping reorganize PW when we became Homestead Presbytery and served as treasurer and secretary for over a decade.

Frances is a strong proponent of ecumenical outreach and has served on the board of Church Women United of Lincoln through which she was awarded the Valiant Woman Award as well as still being a regular attendee. She is also extremely active in the community and currently serves as a member of the Women's Wesleyan Educational Council (WWEC).

Finally, Frances is still an avid bowler who bowls twice a week!



FREE Two-Week Summer Program for Teens!

Do you have high school youth interested in hunger and poverty issues in the context of theological study?



Funded by a generous grant from the Lilly Endowment, this FREE two-week summer program at PC(USA)-related Monmouth College (Monmouth, IL) called the **Lux Summer Theological Institute for Youth**, which gives high school students from around the country a chance to immerse themselves in big theological questions.

The 2019 Lux Institute will be held **June 16-30, 2019** on the theme "A Place at the Table: Thinking Theologically about Hunger and Poverty." The application deadline for students is **January 1, 2019**, which is quickly approaching.

Cost: Free (except travel, free charter bus transportation to and from Chicago airports)

[APPLY AND LEARN MORE HERE!](#)

Homestead Presbytery Day of Discernment

On **January 26, 2019** we have invited the Synod to join us in facilitate a discussion about the future direction of the Presbytery, its staffing, and mission. All members of PC(USA) congregations within Homestead Presbytery are invited an encouraged to attend this discussion on January 26th. We are looking to answer the question of HOW to be a Presbytery and would like to have as much involvement as possible from all of you.

There is NO cost to attend and lunch will be provided! (Childcare will not however)

Deadline to register: January 10th

It is **VERY important** to register **BEFORE** the **10th** so that we can make the proper arrangements with Calvin Crest.

[REGISTER NOW](#)

Words to Remember

"No one is useless in this world who lightens the burdens of another."

-Charles Dickens

Session Records Review

Session Records Reviews are underway. Thank you to those who have participated thus far!

The Session Records review originally scheduled for *October 14, 2018* has now been rescheduled for **Sunday, January 6, 2019, 2:00 PM**, at First Presbyterian Church, Beatrice, 2:00 PM.



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