



THE HEARTLAND CONNECTION

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Dear God, please help us to keep in mind that when we say “It depends on the weather” to realize that we should be grateful that you never say that when we call upon you for guidance. -Anonymous

PARTNERSHIP OF PRAYER

March 2, 2014

Jacoby Chapel, Warrensburg, MO

Mr. Paul Moss, Commissioned Ruling Elder
Ms. Roberta Jaeger, Clerk of Session
Ms. Shari Doubt, Communicator

Ward Parkway Presbyterian Church, Kansas City, MO

Teaching Elder Connie Happell, Pastor
Ms. Mardy Cottrell, Clerk of Session
Ms. Dorothy Clarke, Communicator



Special Prayer Requests

- Pastors and Congregations in Transition
- All Looking for Employment
- Those Touched by Violence here and in the world
- All Military Personnel

Heartland Presbytery extends its sympathies and support to Rev. Doug and Kay Sprouse and family upon the death of her father.

Trinity Presbyterian Church, St. Joseph, MO invites the presbytery to join them in 40 Days of Prayer as they discern God's plan for their possible redevelopment. The congregational meeting and vote will take place on March 2nd. (Submitted by Sarah Butler)

Many thanks for the prayers and concern regarding my recent hospital stay. I deeply appreciate it and am doing better! - Mari Shineman



HEARTLAND HAPPENINGS

(IN DATE ORDER ~ BE SURE TO CHECK REGISTRATION DEADLINES
FOR EVENTS YOU ARE INTERESTED IN. NEW/UPDATED ITEMS HAVE A ★ BULLET.)

IN HEARTLAND PRESBYTERY

- ★ Check out the [highlights of the Stated Meeting of Heartland Presbytery](#) that was held on Saturday, February 22 at Central Presbyterian Church. The meeting packet is still available under the *Meetings* tab at www.heartlandpby.org. (Submitted by office staff)

Order forms for purchasing 2014-2015 Presbyterian Planning Calendars through Heartland Presbytery are now available. The cost per calendar is \$9.50 and they will be available in May. For more details follow [this link](#) or to order through PayPal visit <http://javapodz.com/heartlandpresbytery>. (Submitted by staff)

- ★ Save the Date for the Heartland Presbytery Youth Retreat on April 25 – 26 at Heartland Center. The theme is “I Wanna See You Be Brave!” based on 1 Timothy 4:12 with keynote speaker Rev. Keith Harris. View and share [the flyer](#). (NOTE the change in the registration deadline to April 14.) Register through the *Youth* tab at www.Heartlandpby.org or by visiting www.churchresourcecenter.org. (Submitted by staff)
- ★ Mark your calendar for July 16, 2014 for Heartland Presbytery Youth Day at Worlds of Fun/Oceans of Fun. This is a great summer activity for youth groups. Tickets are \$33.00 for admission to both parks and the all you can eat buffet. For those who have season passes meal tickets are available for \$9.00. [Check out the flyer and order form](#). Contact Cathy Broockerd (cathy@johnknoxkirk.org) with questions. (submitted by Cathy Broockerd)

IN OUR MEMBER CONGREGATIONS

- ★ There will be a Chicken Dinner Fundraiser for Jevone Reed hosted by Covenant Presbyterian Church, 5931 Swope Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130, on Friday, February 28 from 10:30 am to 5:30 pm. Check out [the flyer](#) or call 816-444-3693 to place your order. (Submitted by Kirk Perucca)

Village Presbyterian Church announces their Visiting Scholar Event February 28 – March 1 featuring John Dominic Crossan speaking on “Jesus Then and Now”. Friday’s program will begin at 7 pm and be followed by a reception and book signing. Saturday’s events begin at 9 am. Visit www.villagepres.org [click on *Ministries* then *Visiting Scholar*] to register online, call 913-671-2381 or email visitingscholar@villagepres.org for more information including cost. (Submitted by Presbyterian Women of Village Presbyterian Church)

The Arab Presbyterian Fellowship invites all to a Dinner and Silent Auction on Sunday, March 9 at 4:30 pm in Heartland Hall of Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church, 11100 College Blvd., Overland Park, KS to celebrate their anniversary. Enjoy an ethnic meal at 4:30 pm (free will offering) and the program from 6 -7 pm. View and share [the flyer](#) and plan to attend! (submitted by staff)

IN THE LARGER CHURCH

There will be an “Exploring a Call to Seminary” Conference at the University of Dubuque from Wednesday March 12 to Friday March 14, 2014. It is designed for individuals who are exploring God’s call to ministry and mission. Participants will have the opportunity to meet with faculty and students, attend classes and worship, tour the beautiful campus, and explore many aspects of the University of Dubuque Theological Seminary’s exceptional community life. The deadline for registration is Monday, March 3. Visit <http://udts.dbq.edu/ExploreCall.cfm> for more information. (Submitted by Kristi Lynch)

The 58th Annual Omaha Presbyterian Seminary Foundation’s Summer Pastors’ School will be held July 9 – 16, 2014 at Hastings College, Hastings, NE. Applications are open to all clergy and Commissioned Ruling Elders who are actively engaged in Presbyterian ministry in the region served by the Foundation. Information about the four guest speakers and more can be found at <http://www.omahapresbyterianseminaryfoundation.org/>. (Submitted by staff)

- ★ World Day Of Prayer sponsored by Church Women United Of Johnson County will be observed on Friday, March 7. at the First Baptist Church of Olathe, 2024 East 151st Street, Olathe, KS. Registration and refreshments at 9:30 am with the program at 10:00. The women of Egypt wrote the message "Streams in the Desert." All are welcome to come and join with women from 170 nations around the world praying for peace and better living conditions for all. (Submitted by Mary Johnson)

Church Women United of Kansas City, Missouri invite all to join on the World Day of Prayer on Friday, March 7 at 10 am at Jamison Temple, CME, 3115 E. Linwood, Kansas City, MO. World Day of Prayer is a movement which brings together people of various races, cultures and traditions in closer fellowship, understanding, and action, with members in 170 countries. Through World Day of Prayer, people affirm that prayer and action are inseparable and that both have immeasurable influence in the world. The motto of the World Day of Prayer is "Informed Prayer and Prayerful Action". The building is wheelchair accessible; Reservations not required; No childcare provided. For more information on this event contact Gail Cunningham at gailc.pac@gmail.com or 913-649-3293. (Submitted by Gail Cunningham)

The Presbyterian Women of Heartland Presbytery are invited to attend a special Church Women United Assembly March 22 and 23, 2014 in Roach, MO (Lake of the Ozarks, near Camdenton). Registration is due by February 19 and the \$50.00 fee includes programming, materials, lodging and 4 meals. [Link to more information](#) or contact Gail Cunningham at gailc.pac@gmail.com or 913-649-3293 who thinks you'll find it worth your while and would be most grateful if PWHP could increase our participation by at least ten people. (Submitted by Gail Cunningham)

- ★ Heartland Center hosts a Lenten Spiritual Retreat entitled: "Finding Balance: With A Little Help From the Mystics" on March 30th – April 1st, 2014, led by Rev. Dr. Jim Gordon, Pine Ridge Presbyterian Church. View and share [the brochure](#) and [registration forms](#) or visit www.heartlandretreats.org. (Submitted by Rebecka Goins)

REMINDERS



- Send event announcements and joys and concerns for the Heartland Connection to communication@heartlandpby.org by Wednesday each week for publication in the next week's edition.
- When purchasing Presbyterian resources, the Church Resource Center would appreciate your use of the [Church Resource Center web portal](#). The Church Resource Center receives denominational resources as a result of orders through this portal. Thank you for your support.

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