

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE STATED MEETING OF THE PRESBYTERY OF BOISE

May 6, 2017 – Kirkpatrick Memorial Community Church, Parma

KMCC did a great job hosting this meeting of Presbytery. Thank you very much!! If your church would like to host a meeting of the Presbytery in 2018 we still have two open dates: May 5 or Nov 3 (you pick one and FPC Boise will do the other) and Aug 18.

I just ordered 65 copies of the 2017-18 Presbyterian Planning Calendar based on orders I received from churches and individuals in the Presbytery. I'll let you know when they arrive to arrange payment and pickup or delivery.

Shared Ministry has some money available for educational programs within congregations. If your interested contact Rona Williams at presbysharedministry@gmail.com. If you would like training to become a Commissioned Ruling Elder (also known as Commissioned Lay Pastor) also contact Rona about getting involved in "Seminar Without Walls" that will start a new session in the Fall.

The Presbytery approved a lease between the Boone Church and the Bright Start Child Care Center and a \$1,000,000.00 line of credit from the Synod for construction soon to begin at Southminster.

Our newest Pastor, the Rev. Kevin Starcher was installed as Pastor of Covenant on April 29. Congratulations Kevin and Covenant.

Attention all women of the Presbytery: contact Jacquelyn Benjamin at jacquelyn.benjamin@gmail.com for details on a Fall Retreat at the Nazareth Retreat Center in Boise on Oct 6-8.

Proposed Amendment 16-C 1-8 to the Book of Order has passed, so beginning June 25, 2017 Teaching Elders will no longer be called Teaching Elders (TE's) but Ministers of the Word and Sacraments (MOWS??).

Some important announcements:

1. FPC Boise is applying to bring an international peace maker to our Presbytery. If you would like to have the peace maker speak to your church or you are interested in attending an event where the peace maker will be speaking contact Ada Ritchie at adaritchie@hotmail.com.

2. First United Presbyterian Church of Nampa (400 Lake Lowell Ave, Nampa, ID 83686) will be hosting the Collinsworth School of Music Choir and Orchestra on May 18 at 7 pm.

3. Institute for Pastoral Care – ST. Luke's Boise Hospital will be offering an opportunity for Lay and Professional Clergy to receive additional training designed for ministry in the congregation. Friday, Oct 27 from 9 am to 2:30 pm. See Institute information sheet for more details and to indicate the 4 most important topics you'd like addresses.

4. Stewardship Kaleidoscope: Real Tools for Real Ministry: Sep 25-27, 2017 St. Pete Beach, FL at the TradeWinds Island Grand Resort. For more information www.stewardshipkaleidoscope.org

5. Elder and Deacon enrichment event some time in 2018. Stay tuned.

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As Boise Presbytery we are a covenant community of congregations, ruling elders and teaching elders joining together in mission offering mutual support, providing for worship and sacraments, nurturing faithful disciples of Jesus Christ and connecting with the councils of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. in solidarity with our ecumenical partners and with the interfaith community.