



# MP Weekly News

March 30, 2017

## Mission Presbytery Purpose Statement

*We are Mission Presbytery, serving Christ in the World. In the Reformed Tradition, together we*

- *Establish and equip congregations and sessions to carry out their missions;*
- *Recruit, receive, ordain, develop, and care for those called to service in the church;*
- *Enable mission and witness to the Gospel that congregations cannot accomplish alone; and*
- *Steward our resources faithfully and generously.*

*We are better together.*

## Presbytery Meeting Schedule

June 23-24, 2017  
Stated Meeting  
New Braunfels, New Braunfels

New Braunfels is busy this time of year, so make your reservations **NOW** for the June meeting. Some options are:

[Hotels-New Braunfels](#)

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October 27-28, 2017  
Stated Meeting  
Parkway, Corpus Christi

Dear Mission Presbytery,

## HURRY! Best Calendar Deal Ever!

You cannot afford not to order 2017-2018 Calendars through Mission Presbytery!

- \* **LOW** rate -- just \$8.75 each
- \*\* **EASY** order -- just use this [FORM](#)
- \*\*\* **CENTRALIZED PICK-UPS** --

Presbytery office,  
June Presbytery,  
Jackson Woods PC-Corpus,  
First PC-McAllen  
\*\*\*\* **MAIL** check, made out to Mission Presbytery,  
memo "calendars" to  
7201 Broadway, Ste 303  
San Antonio TX 78209

**Order by March 31 for low price!**

## Benefits Connections

Benefits Connections will be held **Tuesday, April 18** from **8:30 AM-3:30**

**PM** at Faith Presbyterian Church, 1314 E. Oltorf, Austin 78704.

This free event is opportunity to learn about the benefits offered through the Board of Pensions and would be particularly helpful to those who administer, make decisions about benefits (**business manager/treasurer, personnel members, pastors**). Please **register by March 31**.

[www.pensions.org/benefitsconnections](http://www.pensions.org/benefitsconnections)



## Job Opportunities

### Holy Trinity Presbyterian

San Antonio, TX

[PT Clerical Office Assistant](#)

Reply: [church@holytrinitypres.org](mailto:church@holytrinitypres.org)

Fax: 210-654-0161

### Rolling Hills Community Church

Lago Vista, TX

[Traditional Worship Music](#)

[Director](#)

Reply: [rhcc4@austin.twbc.com](mailto:rhcc4@austin.twbc.com)

### Northwood Presbyterian

San Antonio TX

[Lead Teacher](#)

Reply: [smith.traci@gmail.com](mailto:smith.traci@gmail.com)

## SoL Center

The SoL Center, located on the campus of University Presbyterian Church, San Antonio, offers classes and seminars on a wide range of topics. Find a class that interests you; register now!

<http://www.upcsa.org/classes/>

## ATTENTION: Clergy

Are you a minister validated for specialized ministry or a member-at-large?

You are obligated to complete an Annual Report for the Presbytery according to the Book of Order. Reports for 2016 were due Dec. 31; thank you to those who already submitted a report. GRACE ABOUND - if you complete it by April 15 we can impute it to you as righteousness (OK, maybe just as compliance for 2016).

Please do link to the [Annual Report on the website](#).

## Confirmation Retreat

Churches, make plans now for your youth, 7th grade and up, and your adult leaders to attend the Confirmation Retreat at John Knox Ranch, April 7-9, 2017. The retreat is designed to supplement confirmation classes of local congregations. [Retreat Information & Registrations](#) Registration deadline: March 31.

## Plan Now for Summer Camps:

### John Knox Ranch

Registration is OPEN for 2017 Summer Camp at John Knox Ranch! Visit [www.johnknoxranch.com](http://www.johnknoxranch.com) for more information and to sign up.

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### MO-Ranch Camp in the Valley

July 24-29, 2017

Mo-Ranch is heading to the Rio Grande Valley for a week of Mo-Ranch Summer Camp for the second year in a row!

We'll have all the traditional camp activities for boys and girls entering 5th-12th

grades. <https://www.moranch.org/mo-ranch-summer-camp/summer-camp-rio-grande-valley/>

Camp will be at Loma de Vida Camp, 12505 N Hwy 281, Edinburg TX. Cost is just \$25 through your church

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### MO-Ranch Camps

For summer camps and day camps held at Mo-Ranch, <https://www.moranch.org/>

## Happenings at PCHAS

### Open House!

The Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services' Central office has moved! You are invited to an Open House from 3 to 6 PM on Tuesday, April 18, at their new site:

5920 W. William Cannon Drive,  
Building 3, Suite 100,  
Austin 78749

Please RSVP to Erin Reed at [erin.reed@pchas.org](mailto:erin.reed@pchas.org) or by calling 800-888-1904.

Rev. Carol J. Clark for  
Committee on Ministry

## Serving Mission Presbytery

The following members of Mission  
Presbytery currently serve you at  
Synod of the Sun:

### Synod of the Sun Representatives

CRE Joe Pat Nance -  
[jnance1238@msn.com](mailto:jnance1238@msn.com)

Rev. Karen Stocks  
[rev.khstocks@gmail.com](mailto:rev.khstocks@gmail.com)

### General Assembly

The 22nd GA (2016) approved  
and recommended to the  
presbyteries for their affirmative  
or negative votes, proposed  
changes in the language of the  
*Book of Order* that, if approved,  
will amend the Constitution.

GA is  
*not* sending hard copies this year.  
Please click on [GALink](#)  
to download and print the  
document. Your congregation  
may receive one hard copy upon  
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to [missionpby@missionpby.org](mailto:missionpby@missionpby.org).

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### Lessons for VBS

PCHAS is offering everything you need for Vacation Bible  
School - lessons, activities, teacher guides. All you have to  
do is download them! [See Materials](#)

## Walk Against Genocide

You are invited to participate in the **6th Annual Walk  
Against Genocide** and other activities, **Sunday, April 2  
from 2:00-4:00 PM** from the Campus of the San Antonio  
Jewish Community Center. The event will take place rain or  
shine. [More information](#)

## Emmaus Walks Available

**Register Now** for a Walk to Emmaus spiritual formation  
weekend. Follow the links to the participation/registration  
form.

### April 27-30 Men's Walk

Burnett TX, Eagle's Wings Retreat Center  
<http://diakonia-eagleswings.org/about-the-walk-to-emmaus/attend-a-walk-to-emmaus/> then click on  
Participant's Application

### June 22-25 Men's Walk

Boerne TX, Omega Center  
<http://www.diakoniaemmaus.org/forms/forms/> then click on  
Registration Form

### July 27-30 Women's Walk

Boerne TX, Omega Center  
<http://www.diakoniaemmaus.org/forms/forms/> then click on  
Registration Form

### September 14-17 Women's Walk

Burnett TX, Eagle's Wings Retreat Center  
<http://diakonia-eagleswings.org/about-the-walk-to-emmaus/attend-a-walk-to-emmaus/> then click on  
Participant's Application

## Training Opps & Conferences

### Festival of Homiletics

May 15-19, Scottish Rite Theater & Travis Park UMC, San  
Antonio  
<https://www.festivalofhomiletics.com/>

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### College Connection Conference

May 15-19, 2017, MO-Ranch  
*Be the Change*, with David LaMotte  
[Information/Flyer](#)

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### Stewardship Kaleidoscope Conference

September 25-27, St. Petersburg, FL  
[Plan Now - Details](#) [Scholarships](#) available

## Lilly Endowments

### Clergy Renewal Programs

Congregations may apply for grants up to \$50,000 to underwrite a renewal program for their pastor and the pastor's family, with up to \$15,000 of those funds available to the congregation to help cover costs for ministerial supply while the pastor is away. **Applications are due April 21.** [Read more](#)

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