



MP Weekly News

October 12, 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.

The Reformation!



These special events on the Reformation are open to all:

San Gabriel Presbyterian, 5404 Williams Drive, Georgetown, invites you to join them each week, now through October 29 at 9:00 AM for various [Weekly Focus Points](#) presented by different

Dear Mission Presbytery,

Installation Invitation

You are invited to the Installation of

Rev. Kathy Escandell
as Pastor of

First Presbyterian Church
12th & Austin Streets
McAllen, Texas 78505

October 22, 2017 at 2:00 PM

Witness to the Resurrection

Friends,

Many of you are aware of the passing of Rev. Gail Snodgrass at her home in Las Vegas on September 29, 2017. Services in Austin will take place Saturday, October 21 as follows:

A viewing (open casket) will be held at 10:00 AM at the Austin Peel and Son Funeral Home, 607 E Anderson Ln, Austin 78752. Anyone wishing to say a few words are welcome to do so.

Burial will follow (about 11:00 AM) the viewing at the Austin Memorial Park Cemetery, 2800 Hancock Dr, Austin 78731.

Employer Agreements to BOP-Oct 13

The deadline for your church's Employer Agreements to the Board of Pension is coming up - **Friday, October 13.**

Medical	24.5%
Pension	11%

speakers. Come to any or all of these talks.

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Northwood Presbyterian, 518 Pike Place, San Antonio, will host a special Reformation Service at 4:00 PM on October 29. [Flyer](#)

Resources

New Book of Order 2017-2019 Available

Hard copies now available from [Church Store](#) or free download on our [website](#)

The Church Store also offers many other resources throughout the year.

Other News

From the POAMN Presbyterian Older Adult Ministries Network

This newsletter, filled with information, is a helpful resource to older adult ministries. [Check it out!](#)

Ongoing Classes

From the SoL Center
300 Bushnell Ave
San Antonio TX 78212:

UPC [SoL Center Classes](#)
Pre-registration requested

SoL Center sponsors free and tuition-based classes year- round on the campus of University Presbyterian Church, San Antonio. Check this space for updates.

Serving Mission Presbytery

The following members of Mission Presbytery currently serve you at Synod.

Death & Disability 1%

See this [publication](#) for help.

New Mission in Zambia



Northminster Presbyterian Church invites you to help them welcome **Charles and Melissa Johnson** at a presentation about their exciting new mission in Zambia. The Johnsons have established an agricultural mission in conjunction with the Presbyterian seminary in Zambia for the purpose of teach improved agricultural techniques to pastors and local farmers in order to reduce malnutrition and hunger among the Zambians. The presentation will begin at 7:00 pm on October 24, 2017 and will be preceded by a "Meet and Greet" at 6:30 pm.

Join us at Northminster Presbyterian Church, [6800 Tezel Rd, San Antonio TX](#).

Presbytery Meeting

October 27-28, 2017
Parkway Presbyterian- Corpus Christi

[Hotel List](#): Suggest you make reservations now!

Due Dates:

(Send these forms to missionpby@missionpby.org)

[Child Care Registration](#) due date extended to **Oct 16** (in order to staff appropriately)

Commissioner [Elder Registration](#) due no later than **Oct 20**

[All Workshop Registration](#) due no later than **Oct 20**

We are excited about the upcoming meeting in Corpus Christi!
Two workshops of interest are:

- *The Nearly Childless Church*, led by Malinda Spencer
- *Spanglish: Do Ministry in Bilingual Settings*, led by Marissa Galvan Valle

[Workshop Events](#)

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FYI

Mission Presbytery primarily uses Constant Contact as the vehicle to provide membership and churches (you) with announcements of news, events, and updates.

To subscribe to the newsletter, call 210-826-3296 or 800-683-9999 or email officeasst@missionpby.org

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Submit articles for the newsletter NLT 5 PM, Tuesdays to [officeasst@missionpby.org](mailto:officeasst@missionpby.org)

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## Time to Shop for Christmas!



Do your special-occasion shopping around the world without leaving the area! Handmade jewelry, nativities, baskets and other gifts from around the world will be available at an **Alternative Gift Market** hosted by Memorial Presbyterian, Fredericksburg Saturday, **October 28, 9:00 AM--3:00 PM.**

Memorial is located at 601 N. Milam Street, Fredericksburg. Make a day of it! [Read more about it.](#)

## Volunteers Needed & Urgent Needs Autotexts

Rev. Ann E. Helmke sends news that the San Antonio Faith-Based Initiative now has a text messaging alert system for Social Emergencies and Critical Needs. If you and/or your congregation/organization are interested in providing assistance and opting into this notification system:

**Text  
Compassion  
to 55000**

## Helps After Harvey:



**Free Workshop:** Various Dates and Sites

*Tools for Building Resilience: Managing Stress in the Workplace & Beyond* by Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) & FEMA

[More Information here](#) ---- [Register](#)

See these attachments for tips on storm clean-up.

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| <a href="#">Homeowner/Renter Guide to Cleanup</a> | <a href="#">FEMA Saving Treasures (Eng.)</a>          |
| <a href="#">FEMA Tips on Tracking Costs</a>       | <a href="#">FEMA Flood Policyholders Need to Know</a> |
| <a href="#">FEMA Don't Wait-Clean Now</a>         | <a href="#">Getting Rid of Mold</a>                   |

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See this sheet on [Ways to Help and/or Ways to be Helped.](#)

**Also**, the Texas Psychological Association, [www.TexasPsych.org](http://www.TexasPsych.org) is providing three free counseling sessions by Ph.D Psychology providers to anyone who was affected by Harvey. See "find Harvey provider finder tab" on their website.

**Give monetary donations directly** to Mission Presbytery:

- Checks directly to Mission Presbytery,  
7201 Broadway, Ste 303, San Antonio TX 78209,  
with notation 2121-50-Harvey
- Online Giving: All proceeds go to relief and recovery.  
[Give Now](#)