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Good News from Great Rivers

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GOOD NEWS

from the

Presbytery of Great Rivers

We are called to share Christ's love by partnering in service,
uniting in worship, and risking in ministry.

January 8, 2018

Part Time PCUSA Pastor Needed

First United Presbyterian Church of Knoxville is looking for a part-time pastor (8-12 hours/week) to lead traditional Sunday worship and Christian Education. We are an older congregation with a focus on mission, and we have several on-going local mission projects.

Salary (or housing allowance) \$14,000/year with no benefits (at least financially!) and 4 paid weeks off per year and 2 paid weeks for continuing education.

Please contact Virginia Kasser, Clerk, at [309-289-2313](tel:309-289-2313) if interested.

Church Law & Tax

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Mark Your Calendar

JANUARY

Visioning Team Meeting

Tuesday, January 9
10 am - 2 pm
Presbytery Office

The GOP Tax Bill Just Passed. Here's What Church Leaders Need to Know.

On December 20, the [Republican bill](#) overhauling the tax code passed a final vote in the House and went to President Trump's desk. What implications does the new bill have for churches and church leaders, and what do they need to be aware of as they plan for 2018? To help answer these questions, we reached out to three experts on tax topics. [Click here to read more](#)

Prayer Requests

Please keep the following in your prayers this week,

- CLP Mike Claver (Morton-First) and his wife
- Rev. Tim Doty (Leroy-First)

If you would like to add someone to the new Weekly Pray List, please send an email to Patti at the presbytery office (pparrish@greateriverspby.org).

Martin Luther King Jr Day

Monday January 15
Office Closed

COM Meeting

Tuesday January 23
10 am - 3 pm
Peoria-First Federate

CPM Meeting

Thursday, January 25
10 am - 2 pm
Presbytery Office

Leadership Team Meeting

Wednesday, January 31
10 am - 2 pm
Presbytery Office

Standard Mileage Rates for 2018

The Internal Revenue Service today issued the 2018 optional standard mileage rates used to calculate the deductible costs of operating an automobile for business, charitable, medical or moving purposes.

Beginning on Jan. 1, 2018, the standard mileage rates for the use of a car (also vans, pickups or panel trucks) will be:

54.5 cents for every mile of business travel driven, up 1 cent from the rate for 2017.

18 cents per mile driven for medical or moving purposes, up 1 cent from the rate for 2017.

14 cents per mile driven in service of charitable organizations.

[Read more](#)

POAMN

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Presbyterian Older Adult Ministries Network

The theme of this issue of PNN is, And They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love. Our actions often speak far louder than any of our words. In an era when open disagreement and harsh words seem to dominate the daily news, it is uplifting and inspiring to see the caring response of seemingly ordinary people to others when tragedy strikes. These people may or may not identify themselves as "Christian", but the love they share truly is from God.

The first ever, POAMN One-Day Regional Conference took place in Winston-Salem, NC on October 19th, 2017. The theme, "Celebrating the Gift of Aging" was explored by keynote speaker Rev. Jill Crainshaw, and amplified in a variety of excellent workshops. Annie Tarbutton's article, POAMN Winston-Salem Regional Conference, shares this special day. Thank you Marvin Simmers, and Annie Tarbutton, and Dianna Wright, and all the others, who helped plan and carry out this wonderful conference!

POAMN's next Annual Conference will be held at Zephyr Point/ Lake Tahoe on **June 5 - 8, 2018**. Mark your 2018 calendars for this upcoming event and watch for registration information coming in January.

[Click here](#) to download & read the complete Holiday PNN



2018 Elder & Deacon Training

Part of preparing to be ordained and installed as an Elder or Deacon is being trained in what is involved in serving a congregation as an Elder or Deacon in the PC(USA). The Presbytery of Great Rivers will be offering four Elder/Deacon Training, each held on a Saturday from 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

The training will be taught by Rev. Richard Johnson, Honorably Retired Pastor of the Presbytery of Great Rivers.

February 3**Woodhull-United**

United Church of Woodhull
150 West Third Avenue
Woodhull, IL 61490

February 17**Springfield-Hope**

Hope Presbyterian Church
2211 Wabash Ave
Springfield, IL 62704

February 10**Macomb-First**

First Presbyterian Church
400 E Carroll St
Macomb, IL 61455

February 24**Normal-First**

First Presbyterian Church
2000 E College Ave
Normal, IL 61761

To RSVP for one of the training dates below

Call OR E-mail

309-683-6980

office@greatriverspby.org

POAMN**It's Time to Renew or Join POAMN for 2018!**

Dear POAMN Participant,

You are receiving this letter because you have been either a member or supporter of POAMN or have attended a POAMN conference in the past. It is time to begin encouraging you to renew your membership for 2018. Attached, please find a membership renewal form for your convenience or you can join online at www.poamn.org. A renewal form will also be included in the next edition of the "POAMN Network News". Membership renewals can be mailed to the POAMM Treasurer, Lynne Trout, at [410 Richard Ave., Delanco, NJ 09075](mailto:lynne.trout@pcusa.org). POAMN is a 501c3, non-profit organization celebrating its 36th anniversary under the Mission Agency Board of PC(USA). Working collectively as a network, we serve as advocates for the aging in our church and our society.

A variety of Membership types are available to meet your needs.

Individual Member - \$50

Affiliate Member (non-voting) - \$35

Institutional, Church and Judicatory Membership - \$125

Couple Membership - \$75

If there is anything we can do to assist you in your service to older adults, please contact Ginny Nyhuis (our support staff person) at [615-426-1545](tel:615-426-1545), Linda Rauenbuehler (our membership committee chair) at [702-558-7829](tel:702-558-7829), or Michele Hendrix (our president) at [832-731-6127](tel:832-731-6127). We will do all that we can to serve you.

Please feel free to forward this email and information to anyone in your congregation you think could benefit from it.

Thanks again for renewing your membership for 2018.

Sincerely,
Michele Hendrix
POAMN President
tmichelehendrix@icloud.com

Linda Rauenbuehler
POAMN Membership Chair
llrauenbuehler@cox.net

[2018 Membership Application](#)

[POAMN 2018 Conference Flyer](#)

Annual Statistics

The Annual Statistics packet has been mailed and should be at your church any day now! If you would like to download the documents, you can by clicking [HERE](#).

New this year is the Child Protection Policy and Sexual Misconduct Policy. You can download an example in a Word document to edit. They can be found by clicking [HERE](#).

IMPORTANT DATES

December 1, 2017 (Friday)

First day of SOC (Statistics Of Church) entry option available for both churches and presbyteries

February 8, 2018 (Thursday)

Last day the SOC entry option will be available to churches.

If you would like for me to enter your stats, please complete the 2017 Annual Report SOC Form and mail to me **NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 1** to the office at Presbytery of Great Rivers, [1230 W Candletree Dr, Suite D, Peoria, IL 61614](#).

Also feel free to contact me if you have any questions ([309-683-6980](tel:309-683-6980))!

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