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Providence Presbytery Weekly News

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**The Handbook for the August 12 Called Presbytery Meeting is Online.** Are you attending the August 12 Presbytery Meeting at Bowling Green Presbyterian in Clover? Download the Presbytery Handbook for the meeting. [http://www.providencepres.org/Documents/Handbook\\_08.12.18.pdf](http://www.providencepres.org/Documents/Handbook_08.12.18.pdf)



**Air Conditioning at Kirk Apartments.** Just received word that we have received \$13,795 of the \$25,250 needed for the air conditioning of the Kirk Apartments (with 100% support of the Board of Trustees.) This is such wonderful news! Thank you to all that have donated to this project. If you like to “jump on board,” no donation is too small! Make out your check to: SC Inn at Montreat - Special Gifts-- PO Box 2653, Rock Hill, SC 29732. Plan a trip to see us soon! Come visit us at your home in the mountains~the South Carolina Inn at Montreat.

**Support Syrian Schools Today!** To read about one of the schools run by the National Evangelical Synod of Syria and Lebanon (NESSL) for Syrian refugee children, click the following link: <https://jpburgess.me/2018/07/19/commencement/> Your purchase of notecards, calendars and buttons from the Syrian Working Group helps fund these schools for displaced children. Items are still available for purchase! Please contact Helen Guinness for more information: [hbguinness@comporium.net](mailto:hbguinness@comporium.net)

**Montreat Podcast Available Now! *Living In(to) the Church*** Introducing Montreat's New Podcast We're talking to conference leaders, friends, neighbors, and even strangers about what it means to be part of a community of faith and how we can make those communities better for the future. This first episode we talk to our Women's Connection 2018 keynote speaker, Kate Bowler - a divinity professor at Duke University who was diagnosed with Stage IV colon cancer at age 35. [Listen Now](#)



**Providence Presbytery Plans Medical Trip to Honduras.** In August 2018 a mission team from Providence Presbytery will go to Las Mercedes, Honduras to help meet the medical needs of people there. We will need to take the medicines we will need with us. We are asking that those who wish to help us with supplies donate the amount of money you normally spend on aspirin or other over the counter medicines. We are not asking for donations of the bottles of medicine because of shipping challenges. Please make your check out to Providence Presbytery and in the “for” line write “mission trip medicine”. Send or bring your check to the presbytery office at 515 Oakland Ave, Rock Hill, SC 29730 by July 25.: Please mark the envelope: “ATTENTION: Barbara”. Thank you for your help with this important work.



**Sexuality and Faith is Theme of this Year's Leader of Leaders' Event.** The 5 Presbyteries of South Carolina presents the Leader of Leaders event is scheduled for October 16 featuring author and speaker, Kate Ott. Held at Forest Lake Presbyterian Church in Columbia for pastors, educators, youth ministry leaders and youth ministry stakeholders, the event will explore theological foundations for healthy sexuality and sexuality education in faith communities, as well as assessment of how various aspects of sexuality are addressed in implicit & explicit ways within a congregation from policies to education, use of language to actions groups (allows participants to examine present ministries and what can be improved). For more information, [See the flyer](#). Cost of the event is \$50 and space is limited [Registration is Online](#).

**Minister and Educator Retreat Registration is Online.** [Sign up now for the October 22-24 retreat.](#) The Bible is full of embarrassing, offensive, problematic texts that present serious interpretive challenges for contemporary Christian faith and practice. Should they be repudiated? Discarded? Silenced? Or are there perhaps more effective and faithful ways of handling them? This retreat will tackle the importance of engaging difficult texts directly, with the expectation that we may encounter the living God in our conversation with them. It will provide the opportunity to wrestle with such texts, to consider interpretive strategies for engaging them with integrity, and to reflect on the authority of Scripture.. See the brochure here: <http://bit.ly/5SCRetreat2018>

**Early Registration Discount Ending Soon! How does Gratitude Change the Face of Stewardship? Find out at Stewardship Kaleidoscope September 24-26 in St. Louis.** In her new book, Grateful. The Transformative Power of Giving Thanks, Bass weaves together social science research, spiritual wisdom, and contemporary issues as she calls for a richer understanding and practice of gratitude. She will explore the gap between our desire to be grateful and our ability to behave gratefully, and the implications that gap may have on stewardship. This year's [Stewardship Kaleidoscope conference](#) will help you think about generosity in a whole new way. **Register before August 1st for lower registration fee!** [Find out more.](#)

**FAMILY PROMISE OF YORK COUNTY IS HIRING.** Family Promise of York County is seeking a part time Service Coordinator whose primary responsibility will be to offer case management services to families in our homeless shelter programs. A full job description can be found on our website, [www.familypromiseyc.org](http://www.familypromiseyc.org). Cover Letters and Resumes should be sent to: [applications@familypromiseyc.org](mailto:applications@familypromiseyc.org). Applications accepted until August 10, 2018 or until job filled

**Music Teacher Needed.** Unity Preschool, an education and outreach ministry of Unity Presbyterian Church in Fort Mill, is accepting applications for a part-time music teacher. The position is one morning per week (preferably Thursday) from September through May. For more information, please visit our website ([www.preschoolatunity.com](http://www.preschoolatunity.com)) and click on the "More" tab.

**Oakland Avenue Seeks Children's Choir Director.** Do you see children's choir as an opportunity to enhance children's worship experiences as well as their understanding of God? Do you communicate well with children and have a passion for music? Are you available on a part time basis to lead and direct Children's Choir for a large Rock Hill church? If so, please check out our [job description](#) and apply by August 1st for this opportunity to serve.

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Date	Event	Time	Location
8/12	Called Presbytery Meeting	2:30PM	Bowling Green Presbyterian,
8/16	Bethelwoods Ministry Team	5:30PM	Bethelwoods
8/30	EEMT	11:30AM	Presbytery Office

### SAVE THE DATE

8/12	Called Presbytery Meeting	2:30PM	Bowling Green Presbyterian
9/24-26	<a href="#">Stewardship Kaleidoscope</a>		St. Louis, Missouri
10/16	<a href="#">SC5 Leader of Leaders Event</a>	9:30AM-3:30PM	Forest Lake Presbyterian, Columbia, SC
10/22-24	<a href="#">Minister and Educator Retreat</a>		Montreat