



# WORKSHOP REGISTRATION FORM

*For Officers & Leaders During the  
2018 Stated Meeting of the Presbytery*

- You must register *in advance* for all workshops.
- **Registration is due by Thursday, February 15, 2018.**
- **Submit this completed registration via scan or mail to:**

**Scan:** office@cpresby.org

**Mail:** Presbytery of Cincinnati, 1323 Myrtle Avenue,  
Cincinnati, OH 45206

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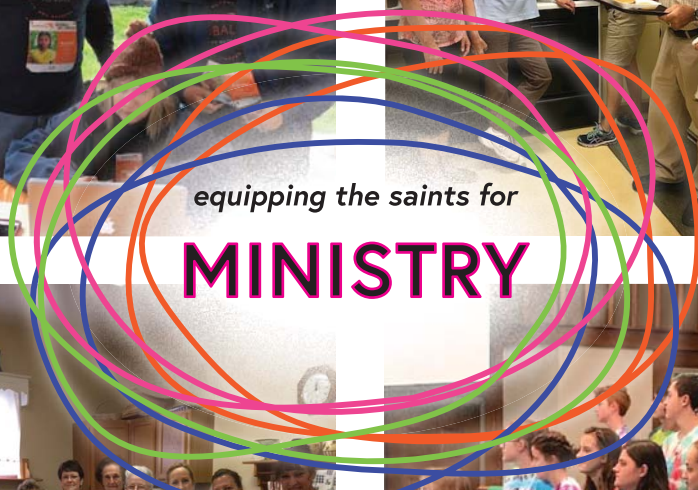
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Congregation: \_\_\_\_\_

### Workshop Selection

Please mark **one** AM Workshop (Morning) and **one** PM Workshop (Afternoon):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> AM | <input type="checkbox"/> PM | <b>Boundaries Training for Church Leaders</b>  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AM | <input type="checkbox"/> PM | <b>Christian Stewardship &amp; Giving in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century</b>                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AM | <input type="checkbox"/> PM | <b>Creating a Culture of Testimony in Your Congregation</b>                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AM | <input type="checkbox"/> PM | <b>Networking in the Community</b>   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AM | <input type="checkbox"/> PM | <b>The Nuts &amp; Bolts of Being an Elder</b>  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AM | <input type="checkbox"/> PM | <b>Ruling Elders as Spiritual Leaders</b>  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AM | <input type="checkbox"/> PM | <b>Pursuing Earth Care: Ideas &amp; Strategies for Churches</b>                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AM | <input type="checkbox"/> PM | <b>Percept for Mission and Evangelism</b>  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AM | <input type="checkbox"/> PM | <b>How to Have a Difficult Conversation in the Body of Christ</b>                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AM | <input type="checkbox"/> PM | <b>Experiential Holy Week Worship</b>  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AM | <input type="checkbox"/> PM | <b>CARE: An AWESOME blessing or an AWKWARD burden?</b>                                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AM | <input type="checkbox"/> PM | <b>Administrative Ministry: Stewarding the Significant Resources of People &amp; Money</b> |



**Workshops for Officers & Leaders During the  
Stated Meeting of the Presbytery  
Saturday • February 24, 2018**

Madeira-Silverwood Presbyterian Church  
Cincinnati, OH

**▶ REGISTER BY THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2018!**

# The Stated Meeting Of The Presbytery

Saturday, February 24, 2018 • 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Madeira-Silverwood Presbyterian Church • Cincinnati, OH

**SCHEDULE** (Order of business subject to change)

- 8:30 a.m. Registration Opens for Meeting
- 9:00 a.m. Call to Order with Prayer  
Preliminary Business  
Committee on Ministry  
Sermon • Reverend Dr. Joan Gray, Guest Preacher  
& Moderator of the 217<sup>th</sup> General Assembly
- 10:00 a.m. **AM Workshop** • Morning Opportunity
- 11:30 a.m. Presbytery Council  
Evaluate and Imagine Team  
AC for Norwood PC
- 12:00 p.m. Meal & Fellowship
- 12:45 p.m. **PM Workshop** • Afternoon Opportunity
- 2:05 p.m. Committee on Church Order  
Sacrament of Holy Communion
- 2:30 p.m. Adjournment & Benediction



## CARE: An AWESOME blessing or an AWKWARD burden?

Care may sound simple and straightforward; however, churchgoers and leaders regularly struggle with what to do and say to people encountering difficult circumstances. Despite good intentions, we naturally respond in ways that are inept, inconsistent with Scripture, and come across as insensitive. Though often unseen, God's plan for loving and caring for one another is unmistakably revealed throughout the Bible. This workshop imparts the biblical basis and core principles of caring. Join us and discover how liberating it can be when caring aligns with Scripture and the mission of the church.

**Presenter:** Charles Puchta is founder and president of Care Ministry, a non-profit organization devoted to resourcing local churches and advancing a discipling model of care founded and grounded in Scripture.

## Administrative Ministry: Stewarding the Significant Resources of People and Money

Administrative Ministry often translates into boring and efficient considerations that many don't consider "ministry". Yet any minister or elder with more than a month's experiences understands the role administration and managements plays in pastoral effectiveness and ministry effectiveness. Come and learn about the many sides of administration, including overseeing church finances, building and groups, working through leaders, motivating disciples, and overseeing staff. The Personnel Committee, Finance Committee, and Buildings and Grounds Committee may be particularly interested in this workshop, including any Elder who may be interested in information regarding pastoral staff transitions through resignation or retirement.

**Presenters:** Reverend Nancy Kahaian, General Presbyter • Ruling Elder Bill Maney, Treasurer at Crestview and Trustee in the Presbytery of Cincinnati.



## Percept for Mission and Evangelism

Percept is a fabulous resource for any congregation that wants to take a good look at how to love neighbors and serve their needs. What is Percept? Percept is an organization whose mission is to provide current demographic tools and resources to assist local congregations to understand the communities God has called them to serve. Attend this workshop to learn about online tools that enable your leaders to know who your neighbors are, what their needs are and how you might reach them.

**Presenter:** *Bob Clary is an Honorably Retired member of the Presbytery of Cincinnati, and he was also a Client Executive for Percept for over 10 years.*

## How to Have a Difficult Conversation in the Body of Christ

In our disturbing and increasingly polarized culture, shouldn't the Church lead the way in "maintaining the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace"? Yet many Christians seem as divided as the rest of the country and find it best simply to avoid difficult subjects in church. Christians do not have to agree with one another, but we are directed to "bear with one another in love," with "humility, gentleness and patience." In our time together we will learn how to participate in difficult conversations in a productive way and become aware of the rich opportunities for unity and peace that are possible when we engage in these experiences.

**Presenters:** *Sandy Carlson is a Ruling Elder and the Vice President of Clinical Services at Porter-Starke Services, a Community Mental Health Agency • Erwin Goedicke is the Pastor of North Presbyterian Church, and longtime member of the Presbytery of Cincinnati.*

## Experiential Holy Week Worship

How do we create environments for the worshipping congregation to experience the Divine Presence? Come see, hear, taste, touch, and draw from the heart, mind and soul creative worship experiences for Holy Week. Come prepared to participate in hands-on, contemplative worship centers as well as resources for creative liturgy. Come open to sharing ideas about worship experiences for Holy Week. Come to be inspired!

**Presenters:** *Ashley Ross is the Director of Youth & Music Ministries at Fairmont Presbyterian Church in Dayton • Nancy Ross-Zimmerman is the Associate Pastor at Northminster Presbyterian Church in Finneytown. This mother-daughter team serves the Presbyterian Church USA, and both are graduates of Westminster Choir College.*



## 2018 Workshop Descriptions

Choose **two workshops** - one morning session and one afternoon session - that speak to you and the congregation that you serve!

### Boundaries Training for Church Leaders

Dr Marie Fortune says, "I think boundaries are a gift...the thing that gives shape...to all of our relationships." This workshop focuses on ways that clergy and lay leaders can better understand boundaries and how roles and expectations influence them. It also explores the balance of power and vulnerability, better enabling clergy and laity to understand how this dynamic needs to be managed in order to protect and enrich congregations and the people they serve.

**Presenter:** *Reverend Jack Copley, Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), and Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist.*

### Christian Stewardship and Giving in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

How can a church encourage stewardship and giving in the context of the 21<sup>st</sup> century? Clarence Stoughton, former president of Wittenberg University, said that stewardship is everything we do after we say, "I believe." Much more than money is involved. A devotional resource for deepening this perspective will be presented. Personal decisions about the use of money is shaped by stewardship and Biblical guidance - which will be explored. However, things are different today. Concepts for improving giving opportunities and tools appropriate to our time will be discussed.

**Presenters:** *Harry Stone, Ruling Elder for Northminster Presbyterian Church, former chair of Planning, Budget and Stewardship; Chair of the Ohio River Basin Alliance • Laurie Laning, Ruling Elder, former Chair of Planning Budget, and Stewardship, and Missions Director for Northminster Presbyterian Church; retired senior Procter & Gamble executive; and Senior Advisor to Xavier's Leadership Center • Dana Glasgo, Ruling Elder, former Chair of Evangelism for Northminster Presbyterian Church, owner of Cincinnati Career Coach, and Member of the Board of Journey to Hope, Cincinnati Works, and Buckhorn Children and Family Services.*



## Creating a Culture of Testimony in Your Congregation

Testimony is one of the practices that revitalizes congregation. While a challenge for those Presbyterians often understood to be "frozen chosen", during this workshop you will learn how to become a "thawed awed" Presbyterian. The workshop will explore testimony, describe how people and congregations grow through the practice of testimony in translating their faith experience into public words. Make room for testimony and your church's mission statement about changing lives will no longer only be something that you print in your bulletin every week; now it will be demonstrated every week in people's stories!

**Presenters:** Reverend Nancy Kahaian, General Presbyter • Reverend Shawn Barkley, Pastor at Crestview.

## Networking in the Community

How do you make connections to benefit your cause in your community? In this workshop you will learn to identify strategies to enhance your connections to your neighborhood and community, gaining awareness regarding those most affected and most connected to the ministry needs in your neighborhood. You will also hear how to do a form of internal analysis that enables your congregation to identify actions steps to move your forward in networking and ministry in your community.

**Presenter:** Anita Brentley is a Ruling Elder from Carmel Presbyterian Church, Cincinnati, and a Community Engagement Officer with the Children's Hospital of Cincinnati.

## The Nuts & Bolts of Being an Elder

This workshop will cover the nuts and bolts of Who? What? When? Where? Why? and How? to serve as an elder in God's church governed by Presbyterian polity. Whether you're a newish elder who never had training or a seasoned elder looking for renewal, this is the workshop for you. Make a full day of it and take Dr. Joan Gray's workshop about the spirituality of service.

**Presenter:** Reverend Lisa Stenner is the pastor of Union Presbyterian Church in Union, KY and the current Chair of Presbytery Council. While not born into the Presbyterian church, she is somewhat of a self-proclaimed polity nerd and appreciates the theological foundations of why we do what we do and how we do it.

## Ruling Elders as Spiritual Leaders

The Book of Order reminds us that ruling elders are not thus called because they "lord it over" the congregation. Ruling elders are chosen "to discern and measure [the congregation's] fidelity to the Word of God, and to strengthen and nurture its faith and life" (G-2.0301). Discernment is the key to the ministry of ruling elder. Discernment is the act of listening for and to the Spirit, and seeking God's will. Come to this workshop to learn how to strengthen your practice as a Spiritual Leader of the Session and congregation.

**Presenter:** Reverend Joan Gray is the Moderator of the 217th General Assembly and author of many books on Presbyterian life. She will also be offering our keynote address at the Presbytery Meeting.

## Pursuing Earth Care: Ideas and Strategies for Churches

God created a "very good" world, and gave humans the authority and responsibility to use and care for its resources. But this green planet, our only home, is in deep trouble. Many believe that sustaining it will require social and cultural transformations that go as deep as religion itself. Christians in particular need to take this call seriously, but where should a congregation begin? This workshop will explore Mount Auburn's experience becoming certified as a Presbyterian Earth Care Congregation and developing an innovative program of green faith, learning, living, and action. The workshop will provide an overview and program examples, including education, worship, outreach, and carbon neutrality for the building. We will reference tools and resources currently available and discuss new ways to develop a facilitator team in the Presbytery to provide speakers, field trips, Presbytery retreat, and on-line resources.

**Presenters:** John Tallmadge is a member of the Earth Care Leadership Team at Mount Auburn Presbyterian Church; author of three books and numerous essays on nature, culture, literature, and human values. • John Hancock, member of the Earth Care Leadership Team at Mount Auburn Presbyterian Church; emeritus professor of architecture at UC and expert on the design and economics of green energy options.

