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## Presbyterian Church

### *Midweek Update*

*October 12, 2022*

In this issue: Worship this Sunday, The Orchard Theater, Community Conversation, October mission, 2022 Backwoods Activities & More Help Needed, Sabbatical Schedule & Contact Info,

Worship this Sunday will be on Zoom. Leslie Snow will lead worship & Elder Connie will do a reflection.

Hello EPC, I wanted to send along information for the play Anna and I are producing this October 6-15th that we mentioned earlier this month!

We'd be so grateful for help spreading the word to your community! We're praying to fill those seats each night and hopefully bless people with this story.

Purchase tickets with this link <https://orchard-theater-collective.ticketleap.com/missing/details> They're \$20, but include a free concession and beverage after the show. The show is about an hour long, but we will have a post show discussion each night with the artists about the show!

A Little blurb on the show:

*"Missing" was the first play ever produced by The Orchard Theater Collective, back in 2017. An original piece devised by all four co-founders, it follows multiple interwoven plot lines: two sisters separated by time and old hurts, a young couple navigating the real-life trials and triumphs of marriage, as well as an allegorical world of existential love and loss inspired by ancient poetry of*

*the Song of Solomon. How does love find us again when we have strayed so far from the promises we've made?*

Directed by Jeremiah Gamble. Featuring Benjamin and Mackenzie Shaw and Damian and Anna Leverett.

Please let me know if you have any questions! Thank you for your support of our ministry and work!

Grace and Peace,

Damian Leverett

If you have questions or topics that you would like us to discuss please contact Carol at (651) 468-9888 or email: [cschweickhardt@gmail.com](mailto:cschweickhardt@gmail.com).

Our October mission focus is on Peacemaking and Global Witness

The Peace & Global Witness Offering enables the Presbyterian Church to promote the Peace of Christ by addressing systems of conflict and injustice across the world. Individual congregations are encouraged to utilize up to 25% of this Offering to connect with the global witness of Christ's peace. Mid councils retain an additional 25% for ministries of peace and reconciliation. The remaining 50% is used by the Presbyterian Mission Agency to advocate for peace and justice in cultures of violence, including our own, through collaborative projects of education and Christian witness. One major effort is working with immigrants and other mission organizations on the Mexican border. Our own Angelie Ryan will share with us on October 16 in conversation with Connie in worship during the reflection.



Travel study seminar participants help out with an art project with the children at the El Alacrán migrant shelter. (Photo by Kristi Van Nostran)

This summer we again hosted a group of thespians as they rehearsed and performed "Romeo and Juliet" on the backwoods stage. In addition to a small facility fee, the group also participated in several of our invasive species removal events. We recently received this thank you note from the director, Madeline Wall.

*I cannot properly express how joyous and healing it has been for me and now over a dozen of my collaborators to spend our summers in the backwoods – making art, being free, communing with the trees and their creatures (deer, coyotes, mosquitos, bats and all)! We are so grateful for and energized by this space, and we hope to remain in community with you all for as long as you'll have us.*

*Thank you, Madeline*

There is still time to continue to clean up the backwoods before the snow flies. Please feel free to walk the meditation paths and pull any weeds that are creeping into the wood chipped walking paths. Pulling weeds in the rock paths going into the prayer stations and picking up branches from the meditation paths are also needed.

Invasive buckthorn, burdock and garlic mustard also need to be removed. When pulling burdock, remove the burrs and put them in the neighbor's fire pit. There are also some plants that have stickers on them that get on everything! Luna calls them Virginia stick seed plants. If you pull it, please put it in the fire pit as well. Please be mindful of keeping green matter separate from sticks/branches when done with your work. They go to separate places at the compost site.

THANK YOU!

**Oct 16th** - Leslie will lead worship & Elder Connie will do a reflection on *zoom*

**Oct 23rd** - Pastor Jody Houg of Humble Walk Lutheran Church will preach

**Oct 30th** - We will be worshipping and sharing our stories together as a Community.

If you have questions while Pastor Luna and Pastor Phil are on Sabbatical, please use the information below to help determine who to direct your questions to.

**Who should you contact for questions or spiritual support?** When you need support or something comes up that feels too much for the community, please reach out.

- The first call or email can always be to one of our Elders: Meredith, Jay, Connie, Ingrid, Rich, or Todd (for contact info, see the new directory)
- For questions about giving or finance, contact Office Manager Krysta or Treasurer Ron
- All midweek Update articles and info should go to Krysta ([epchurch2149@gmail.com](mailto:epchurch2149@gmail.com))
- Anything about the building or property or renters can go to Rich & Jay
- Worship ideas or questions should go to our sabbatical worship team listed in an article below
- Music input can go to Jenya
- We do have two pastors who are on call for us over these three months. The first is **Jamie Schultz** of Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church in Minneapolis. She will also be moderating our Session meetings. Her email address is [pastor@brynmawrchurch.org](mailto:pastor@brynmawrchurch.org) and her cell number is 952-221-4270. The second person is our own Heather Grantham, whose info can be found in the new directory!