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2015 Churchwide Gathering of Presbyterian Women

Registration Booklet

One Body, One Spirit

Minneapolis, Minnesota

June 18–21, 2015
The Churchwide Gathering of Presbyterian Women is a time to make and renew friendships, enrich our minds and souls and engage in new ways to live out our PW Purpose through mission opportunities, advocacy work and Bible study.

This June it will also be an opportunity to renew ourselves as an important body within the Church—one body with many members. It will be a time to celebrate the one Spirit that lives and works through all of us. We will recognize the gifts of the Spirit that have graced each of us and lift up the shared mission and ministry that is accomplished when we work and worship together as a single body.

Join us at the Hyatt Regency Minneapolis and be a part of the “One Body, One Spirit” celebrated there. Bring your friends and family, so that you might celebrate and share your gifts with the whole community.

We look forward to seeing you at the 2015 Churchwide Gathering!

Peace and grace,
Mary Cook Jorgenson, Moderator
Pam Snyder, Vice Moderator, Mission Relationships
Sheila Louder, Vice Moderator, Justice and Peace Concerns
Presbyterian Women in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), Inc.

Register Now!

Registration (online at www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering and by mail) opens January 15, 2015. Full Gathering registration is just $395 (less than in 2012)! And if you register online or postmark your registration by March 20, you

- receive a special-edition Gathering pin. Register by March 20 and you will get a ticket at Gathering check-in that you can redeem for a special-edition pin.

- are a good steward! Your prompt registration helps Presbyterian Women anticipate attendance more accurately, ensuring that the Gathering offers the right programs for the right number of participants.

- will have priority to purchase a limited-edition Gathering tote bag. Register early to purchase one of these eco-friendly totes!

- can vote for the official Gathering theme song. Provide an email address with your registration and you’ll receive an email with instructions on how to hear the contenders and cast your ballot.
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Join us in exploring “One Body, One Spirit,” as understood through 1 Corinthians 12:12–27.
We will focus particularly on verses 12–13:

“For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body,
though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized
into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.”

For more information or to register online, visit www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering.
How to use This Booklet

This booklet provides all the details you need to register and make the most of the 2015 Churchwide Gathering of Presbyterian Women. Explore details about the programming, activities and worship opportunities you’ll have at the Gathering. We look forward to seeing you June 18–21, 2015, at the Hyatt Regency Minneapolis.

Keep this booklet after registration and bring it to the Gathering—it has important information you’ll need to start finding your way around the Gathering!

Voting representatives, see page 17 for registration details.

Gathering Programs at a Glance

The Gathering begins with dinner on Thursday, June 18 (5:30–7 PM) and concludes with the morning plenary session on Sunday, June 21 (8:30–10:30 AM). Programming and housing are all under one roof at the Hyatt Regency Minneapolis.

Meals

Breakfast is on your own. Lunch is provided on Saturday; dinner is provided on Thursday and Friday. Specify vegetarian or gluten-free meals on the registration form (page 23).

For meals on your own, you have a number of options in or near the Hyatt Regency, including cash/carry choices at the hotel and at Westminster Presbyterian Church (just across the street!) and restaurants and food trucks nearby.

Synods, presbyteries and/or special interest groups may opt to schedule a special meal during breakfast on Friday, Saturday or Sunday; lunch on Friday; or dinner on Saturday. To schedule a group meal, contact Amy Kettner at the Hyatt Regency (amy.kettner@hyatt.com or 612/596-4532) or Susan Hield at Westminster Presbyterian Church (shield@wpc-mpls.org or 612/332-3421).

Accessibility

Simultaneous translation (Korean and Spanish), amplification (via headsets) and American Sign Language interpretation will be available in plenary as needed. Wheelchair and low vision seating will also be available in plenary. Please indicate on the registration form (page 23) whether you will need these services.

The Hyatt Regency is accessible by wheelchair. To rent a wheelchair or motorized scooter, contact Dahl Medical Supply, 612/334-3159, or www.dahlmedicalsupply.com, and arrange for delivery to the hotel in your name.

Child Care

Child care at the Gathering is being coordinated by College Nannies and Tutors, Edina, Minnesota. Advance reservations are required by May 1.

Contact Renee Brasseur for fees and information—call 952/285-7667 or email rbrasseur@collegenannies.com; reference the PW Churchwide Gathering. A variety of care options are available.

PW-ese

PW: Presbyterian Women in the PC(USA), Inc.
PC(USA): Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
PMA: Presbyterian Mission Agency
CWG: Churchwide Gathering of Presbyterian Women
CCT: Churchwide Coordinating Team, PW’s national governing body
Horizons: Magazine and Bible study of Presbyterian Women
Daily Horizons: Churchwide Gathering newspaper
Gathering Programs at a Glance

Daily Schedule

Wednesday, June 17
9 AM–5 PM  Voting representatives arrive
7–9 PM  PW Business Meeting begins

Tuesday, June 18
9 AM–5 PM  PW Business Meeting (includes lunch)
9:30 AM–4:30 PM  Optional Mission Tour A for early arrivers
11 AM–7 PM  Registration/check-in
1–7 PM  Activities Hall (exhibits Global Marketplace, Presbyterian Bookstore) and Spirituality Center open
2:30, 3:30, 4:30 PM  Gathering orientation sessions
5–5:45 PM  Book group—The Submission by Amy Waldman
5:30–7 PM  Dinner
7:30–9 PM  Opening plenary

Thursday, June 19
6:45–7:30 AM  Exercise class: Pilates
8:30–10:15 AM  Morning plenary
10:30 AM–6 PM  Activities Hall and Spirituality Center open
10:30–11:45 AM  Educational opportunities
12–1:30 PM  Lunch on your own
1:45–3 PM  Educational opportunities
1:45–4:45 PM  Mission Tour B
3:30–4:45 PM  Educational opportunities
5–5:45 PM  Book group—Paula by Isabel Allende

Friday, June 20
6:45–7:30 AM  Exercise class: Yoga
8:30–10:15 AM  Morning plenary
10:30 AM–7 PM  Activities Hall and Spirituality Center open
10:30–11:45 AM  Educational opportunities
12–1:30 PM  Lunch
1:45–3 PM  Educational opportunities
1:45–4:45 PM  Educational opportunities
5–5:45 PM  Book group—Learning to Walk in the Dark by Barbara Brown Taylor
5–5:45 PM  Get-togethers with General Assembly representatives
6:30–9 PM  Combined dinner and program

Saturday, June 21
6:45–7:30 AM  Exercise class: Dance/Fun movement
8:30–10:30 AM  Closing plenary (includes worship with Communion)

For more information or to register online, visit www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering.
All plenary sessions will feature Nicole Ashwood as song leader. Kimberly Elliott, copastor of San Francisco’s Presbyterian Church in Chinatown, will add her gifts of movement and dance, weaving together our theme of unity from one session to another.

Thursday evening will begin with the traditional opening processional and a warm greeting from Gathering chair Shelda Wills. Judy Yates Siker will begin our interpretation of the Gathering theme “One Body, One Spirit,” drawing from the 2016–2017 Horizons Bible study, *Who Is Jesus*, which she is writing. Alica Galloway, copastor of Kwanzaa Community Church in Minneapolis, will expand on the Gathering theme as she leads opening worship. We’ll close out the evening by learning more about the recipients of the Gathering Offering, ECPAT–USA (an organization that works to eliminate human trafficking and the sexual exploitation of children) and *Hogar Clara Lair* (women’s shelter in Puerto Rico).

Come early on Friday morning and lift your voice in song to greet the day. We’ll move into a time of spiritual reflection, written by Dee Koza around the daily themes. These reflections will help you share the Gathering messages with your group and congregation when you return home. Hear from our outgoing moderatorial team about the last triennium and what occurred in the Business Meeting. Melissa Bane Sevier, author of the 2017–2018 Horizons Bible study on Hebrews, will lend her voice to interpreting “Oneness in the Community of Faith.” Two PC(USA) Young Adult Volunteers will dialogue with a Global Partner about doing mission together. We’ll collect the Gathering Offering, giving thanks for the generosity of PW. Anita Gutschick, *Women of the Bible* presenter, will tell us about Elizabeth and Mary, so we might consider the Gathering theme through their story.

Friday evening we will “Celebrate Community!” as we join together for a combination dinner and plenary session. This special celebration will include time with our Global Partners and a light, fun program (emceed by Shari Stump), along with a few surprises and lots of laughter!

Neddy Astudillo will interpret the theme of “Oneness in Creation” Saturday morning, following the singing and spiritual reflection. Neddy is renowned as a champion of eco-justice. June L. Lorenzo, elder at Laguna United Presbyterian Church in New Mexico, will share her expertise on land rights from the Native American perspective. Judy Fletcher, author of the 2015–2016 Horizons Bible study, *Come to the Waters*, will preview the study.

On Saturday evening we’ll open with singing and spiritual reflection. Teresa Chávez Sauceda, author of PW’s *Practicing God’s Radical Hospitality*, will interpret the theme “Oneness in the Community of Women” through the lens of radical hospitality. We will conclude the session with the installation of our leaders for the 2015–2018 triennium.
The closing plenary session on Sunday morning will be a joyous worship that celebrates the day’s theme “Oneness in the Global Community”; it will be filled with singing, spiritual reflection and interpretation of the theme and the word. Pilju Kim Joo, president of Agglobe Services International, which provides humanitarian and agricultural aid to North Korea, will share her experience with food sovereignty and feeding God’s people. Robina Marie Winbush, General Assembly’s associate for ecumenical relations, will preach and preside over the service of holy communion. The Gathering Choir and a dramatic presentation based on the “Feeding of the 5,000” will enhance worship further. We will conclude as we began, in joyous song, going forth into the world as “One Body, One Spirit.”

“One Body, One Spirit”—Lots of Logo Wear!

In an age of customization, even your Gathering t-shirt can be custom-made! Presbyterian Women has created the “One Body, One Spirit” logo and from there, it’s up to you!

Go to www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering and download the Gathering logo (black-and-white or color) and the permission letter, and let a local screen printer work some magic in creating your custom logo item. Or create an iron-on transfer on your home computer! (You can purchase the materials at an office supply or craft store.) Create your own personalized item, complete with your name. Or get together with your PW group (in the congregation, presbytery or synod) to create an item that identifies you as a group. Add the Gathering logo to t-shirts, jackets, scarves, tote bags, hats, shawls, anything!

We’re eager to see what you and your PW group (in the congregation, presbytery or synod) do with that logo!

And don’t forget to take pictures of the creation process! Share them with other groups in your presbytery or synod. And post your pictures on social media (like Facebook or Twitter)! Or send them to yvonne.hileman@pcusa.org for posting to social media.

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Educational Opportunities (Ed ops)

Selections are listed alphabetically here; the charts on the registration form—Friday on pages 20–21, Saturday on pages 22–23—show selections in chronological order (one column for each time slot). You may attend up to six ed ops, depending on whether you select mission tours.

1. 2013 USA Mission Experience to Appalachia—Shirley Novak and other participants
   Offered once: Saturday, 1:45 PM

Hear participants tell about the 2013 USA Mission Experience (USAME) to Appalachia, reflecting on what they experienced and how it changed their lives. You’ll also learn how you can apply to participate in the next USAME.

*Shirley Novak served as the CCT representative from Synod of Alaska–Northwest and chaired the 2013 USAME.*

2. 2014 Global Exchange to the Caribbean—Dahlia Vela and other participants
   Offered once: Saturday, 10:30 AM

Jamaica, Dominican Republic, Guyana and Curacao: participants will share their experiences in these Caribbean lands. Global Partners from countries that PW visited during the Global Exchange will be in attendance. Come meet our partners!

*Dahlia Vela participated in the 2008 Global Exchange to Eastern Europe and chaired the 2014 Global Exchange.*

3. 3-D Ministry: Discovering, Discerning and Developing the Missional Life God Calls Us to Lead—Joyce Dean
   Offered twice: Friday, 10:30 AM and 1:45 PM

People who live the missional life integrate the teachings of Jesus into all of their actions, and seek to do God’s work. Explore and discern, through prayer and study of self, how to live the missional life you are called to live. Discover the opportunities you have to be the hands of God in the world. Develop a heart for mission in all aspects of your life.

*Before becoming a Certified Lay Pastor, Joyce Dean taught elementary school music and art, and led youth groups.*

4. Accessing Spiritual Power to Change the World—Joan S. Gray
   Offered twice: Friday, 3:30 PM and Saturday, 1:45 PM

Learn ways to access the power of the Holy Spirit and see how that power can transform people, communities and the world.

*Joan S. Gray lives in Atlanta, Georgia, and has served 10 churches in that area as a teaching elder. Moderator of the 217th General Assembly, Joan is also a writer. Her latest book is The Sailboat Church.*

5. Conversation with the 2012–2015 PW Churchwide Moderators—Mary Cook Jorgenson, Pam Snyder and Sheila Louder
   Offered once: Saturday, 10:30 AM

This is your chance to hear from and ask questions of your 2012–2015 PW Churchwide moderatorial team. Curious about the work they’ve done and what they’ve experienced during their tenure in leadership? Come find out! They want to hear from you, too. Plan to share a highlight of what is happening in your synod.

*Mary Cook Jorgenson serves as moderator; Pam Snyder, vice moderator for mission relationships; Sheila Louder, vice moderator for justice and peace concerns.*

6. Count Me In! Including People with Disabilities in the Life of the Church—Bebe Baldwin
   Offered twice: Saturday, 1:45 PM and 3:30 PM

All people are created in the image of God. In this ed op, the leader will present true experiences and stories of inclusion of people with disabilities. Participants will discuss practical steps churches can take to welcome people of all abilities.

*Bebe Baldwin is a past moderator of Presbyterians for Disability Concerns, a network of the Presbyterian Health Education and Welfare Association, and recipient of the Nancy Jennings Award for advocacy with and for people with disabilities. She is legally blind.*
7. A Critical Conversation on Sex Trading and Trafficking—Alika Galloway
Offered twice: Friday, 10:30 AM and 3:30 PM
This ed op is for people who are interested in how domestic sex trading and trafficking occurs in urban centers, what its impact is on its participants and the role of the church in addressing this tragedy.
(A visit to the Northside Women’s Space will be part of a mission tour offered on Saturday, June 20, 1:45–4:45 PM. Separate registration is required.)

Alika Galloway serves as the director of the Northside Women’s Space, a drop-in center in North Minneapolis for women and girls in the sex trade. Northside Women’s Space is a safe place where victims/survivors of the sex trade find rest and revival.

8. The Domestic Workers Movement: The Church and Secular Social Justice Working Together for Social Transformation—Meghan Vesel
Offered twice: Friday, 10:30 AM and 1:45 PM
Learn more about how the mainline church can engage in matters of social justice related to immigrant women and women of color in a profession that is often devalued in our society. The leader will use examples from her Connecticut-based domestic workers program to show how they subvert and transform the social currency attached to the domestic workers profession. Based on re-readings of sacred text, see how a theology for domestic workers can aid in our mutual transformation.

Meghan Vesel serves as deputy director of the Brazilian Immigrant Center in Bridgeport, Connecticut, and as the lead organizer of the Domestic Workers Project of Connecticut.

Offered twice: Friday and Saturday, 3:30 PM
One in three women is abused in her lifetime. You, me, our grandmothers, our friends, our neighbors, our daughters: how do we work together to end violence against women and children? Learn ways for individuals, congregations and presbyteries to work together to make a difference.

Shannon Beck works as reconciliation catalyst in the World Mission area of the Presbyterian Mission Agency. She connects Presbyterians with each other and with PC(USA) global partners working on reconciliation in cultures of violence, including their own.

Mienda Uriarte serves the PC(USA) in the World Mission area of the Presbyterian Mission Agency as the area coordinator for Asia and the Pacific, working with global partners and mission co-workers in countries throughout east, south and southeast Asia.

10. Expressions of Faith—Lucy Janjigian
Offered twice: Friday, 10:30 AM and 1:45 PM
Art and life are often closely intertwined—this is definitely the case for Lucy. She will show images of her paintings that deal with biblical and social issues and discuss how her years living in the Middle East have influenced everything she has done since.

Born in Jerusalem, Lucy Janjigian is an artist, deacon, ruling elder and member of the Presbyterian Hunger Program board and the PW Churchwide Coordinating Team.

11. For Such a Time as This—Anita Gutschick
Offered once: Friday, 1:45 PM
Meet Esther, a woman of the Bible. It’s not often that a queen comes to visit, but Esther has an urgent message for us. Plucked from obscurity and placed in a place of importance in a palace, Esther discovers that she faces a life-or-death decision: speak up for her people and maybe lose her life, or be silent and watch them lose theirs.

Anita Gutschick is an experienced stage actress who has worked professionally in video, film and radio. Her Women of the Bible presentations have become her most passionate vocation. A favorite at the 2009 and 2012 CWGs, Anita will also present during plenary.

For more information or to register online, visit www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering.
12. Global Food Security: Sustainable Community Development Project in North Korea—Pilju Kim Joo
Offered once: Friday, 1:45 PM

Pilju Kim Joo has been devoted to food security improvement programs of nongovernmental organizations, or NGOs, in North Korea for the past 25 years. Based on her experience in North Korea, she will discuss global food security concerns and sustainable agriculture relief efforts.

Pilju Kim Joo has extensive experience in crop and seed science and has worked in major international seed industries in developed and developing countries on every continent.

13. 地구촌의 식량안정: 북조선의 지속가능한 지역사회 개발을 위한 과제—김필주
1회 강의: 토요일 오전 10:30

김필주 박사는 인도지원 단체(NGO)를 운영하며 지난 25년 동안 북조선의 식량안정 문제를 개선하기 위하여 현장에서 움직였습니다. 그의 북조선에서의 경험에 의거하여 지구촌의 식량안정 문제와 지속가능한 농업 개선 지원방안에 대하여 논합니다.

김필주 박사는 작물과 종자와 분야에 광범위한 경험으로 주요 종자산업체에 근무할 때 전세계의 많은 개발국과 개도국에서 종자생산기술을 전수하였습니다.

14. Glory to God: Sing Aloud, O Daughters!—Deborah Lind-Schmitz
Offered once: Friday, 3:30 PM

This ed op is a hands-on experience with the new PC(USA) hymnal. Come ready to sing joyfully and learn ways to teach others about this glorious resource. Challenges and joys: we’ll talk about them. Expect to learn a new song or two.

(This ed op is offered after ed op #15 and qualifies for continuing education credit with the National Association of Presbyterian Clergywomen.)

Deborah Lind-Schmitz is head of staff at Presbyterian Church of Geneva, Geneva, New York. She has an undergraduate degree in music from the University of Minnesota and taught piano and voice before she became a pastor.

15. Glory to God: What Song Shall We Sing?—Deborah Lind-Schmitz
Offered once: Friday, 1:45 PM

Explore the new PC(USA) hymnal. How is it organized? What tools to understanding it are available? How does it reflect Reformed theology? How do you choose hymns that complement scripture, themes and seasons? Participants will discuss ways to organize worship and even meetings around this helpful resource.

(This ed op qualifies for continuing education credit with the National Association of Presbyterian Clergywomen.)

See leader description for ed op #14.

16. Horizons Bible Study (2015–2016), Come to the Waters—Judy R. Fletcher
Offered twice: Friday, 3:30 PM and Saturday, 10:30 AM

Learn about the 2015–2016 Horizons Bible study from the author herself. This is your chance to gather teaching tips and hear about the development of the study’s content. You are guaranteed to come away from this workshop with information to share with your circles back home.

Judy R. Fletcher is synod executive emerita of Synod of the Sun and a retired Presbyterian minister.

Offered twice: Friday, 10:30 AM and 1:45 PM

There are a variety of “lenses” through which Jesus has been and is seen. In this ed op, the author of the 2016–2017 Horizons Bible study will look not only at the biblical texts but also at a variety of cultural and faith perspectives to reflect on how Jesus is seen today.

Judy Yates Siker is professor of New Testament at Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles, California. She also is a teaching elder. Her publications are geared to the church and academy.

Program Choices

Offered once: Saturday, 1:45 PM
In this ed op the author will preview the 2017–2018 Horizons Bible study on the book of Hebrews. Explore Hebrews, and the study, through the lens of peacemaking and hope, and with an eye toward those women who have been witnesses to God’s hope and peace in our lives.

Melissa Bane Sevier is a teaching elder, writer and photographer in Kentucky. She blogs regularly at http://melissabanesevier.wordpress.com. When she is not speaking, writing or taking pictures, you might find her cooking, gardening, hiking, canoeing or jogging.

Se ofrecerá una sola vez: sábado, 3:30 PM
Obtendremos una vista previa del Horizons Estudio Bíblico 2017–2018 en el libro de Hebreos a través del objetivo de la paz y la esperanza, y con una mirada hacia las mujeres que han sido testigos de la esperanza y la paz de Dios en nuestras vidas.


Se ofrecerá una sola vez: viernes, 10:30 AM

Magdalena I. García es una anciana docente y capellana de hospicio VITAS en Chicago. Ella ha colaborado con Horizons por años como traductora y escritora. También se ha desempeñado como oradora principal del Encuentro de Mujeres Presbiterianas.

Offered twice: Saturday, 1:45 PM and 3:30 PM
We will explore together how, as U.S. Presbyterians, we can join in solidarity with global sisters to work on issues of common concern for a just and whole world. We will explore the strengths and gifts we bring to this work and the strengths and gifts we might receive from our global sisters.

Robina Marie Winbush serves as associate stated clerk for ecumenical relations for the PC(USA). She has served as staff of Church Women United and currently is the president of Churches Uniting in Christ.

Offered twice: Saturday, 1:45 PM and 1:45 PM
Rapid demographic, technological and ideological shifts are providing constant opportunities and challenges. This ed op will discuss the five dynamics of leadership for the 21st century and discuss God’s intention for the church in these changing times. Tools for innovative and holistic leadership that build bridges, incorporate differences and bring innovation will be provided.

Raafat Girgis has served the PC(USA) as associate for multicultural congregational support in the Racial Ethnic and Women’s Ministries office of the PMA. His crosscultural experiences, interfaith relationships and multidisciplinary academic background contribute to the insight he brings to this topic.

22. Innovative Leadership for the 21st Century’s Changing Landscapes—Raafat Girgis
Offered twice: Saturday, 10:30 AM and 1:45 PM
Since the Korean War, about 200,000 Korean-born children have been adopted into 150,000 families in the United States and 50,000 families in Europe. Many adoptees have struggled to cope with their tricultural identities, and have found it difficult to find a place where they feel they belong. Learn how the Korean Adoptive Ministry Center of St. Paul, Minnesota, has helped Korean adoptees face these challenges.

Offered once: Friday, 1:45 PM
Rev. Sung Chul Park is founder and executive director of the Korean Adoptive Ministry Center (KAM Center) and director/principal of the Korean Institute of Minnesota (KIM School).

Mrs. Yoonju Park is executive director of the Korean Service Center (KSC), which provides senior welfare programs and support programs for abused women. Mrs. Park formerly served as executive director/principal of the KIM School and was cofounder of Minnesota Adopted Koreans and the KAM Center.

24. 한국인, 미국인, 입양아: 한국 입양아가 미국 백인 부모에 의해 양육되어지는 세문화의 정체성—박승철 목사와 박윤주
1회 강의: 토요일 오후 1:45

한국전쟁으로 한국에서 출생한 어린이들 20만명중 15만명이 미국 가정에 그리고 5만명이 유럽인의 가정에 입양되어 왔다. 많은 입양아들이 세문화의 정체성과 자신이 숙제되어 있다고 느끼는 곳을 찾기위해 몸부림쳐왔다. 이 워크숍을 통해 미네소타 St. Paul에 있는한국 입양어린이 선교센터가 세문화의 어려움에 처한 입양아들을 도운 사역들을 배우게 된다.

박승철 목사는 Korean Adoptive Ministry Center (KAM Center)와 director/principal of the Korean Institute of Minnesota (KIM School) 창설자이며 총무이다.

박윤주씨는 Korean Service Center (KSC)의 총무이며 학대 받은 여성들을 위한 복지와 후원 프로그램을 제공해 준다. 박윤주씨는 KIM School과 KAM Center 를 박목사와 함께 창설했으며 이 센터에서 총무로 섬긴바 있다.

25. Laughter’s Healing Art—Tom Willadsen
Offered twice: Friday, 10:30 AM and 3:30 PM

Writer Anne Lamott calls laughter “carbonated holiness.” This ed op is all about laughter: where we find laughter in the Bible, why we laugh and how it feels to laugh together. The presenter guarantees that participants will laugh.

Tom Willadsen has been a Presbyterian minister for more than 20 years, serving churches in Minnesota, Maryland and Wisconsin. He is the author of OMG! LOL! Faith and Laughter, published by Gemma Open Door in 2012.

26. A Learning/Sharing Experience with Global Partners—Hosted by Betsy Berry
Offered once: Friday, 3:30 PM

Our Global Partners—women from other countries and cultures—will share their faith journeys. Participants will spend time together talking about how Christian religious life is viewed in our Global Partners’ homelands and native cultures. The partners will talk about their own mission work and how their mission work connects with PW mission worldwide.

Betsy Berry is the facilitator for the 2015 Churchwide Gathering mission partners work group.

27. Legends of the Flame—Danelle Crawford McKinney
Offered once: Friday, 3:30 PM

Native Americans rely on oral tradition to pass down teachings from generation to generation. This ed op will emulate an activity used in Native American tradition to share stories, songs and messages that honor those who have gone before and to teach us about the importance of Christian spirituality in our lives.

(Daniel Lee Crawford McKinney is an enrolled member of the Sisseton–Wahpeton Dakota Oyate and works in Lawrence, Kansas. Danelle and her husband, Ron McKinney, (both pastors) work with Native American young adults.)

28. The Lyrical Spirit: Experiencing Hope, Healing Prayer and Community Through Music, Movement and Meditation—Sally Niles
Offered twice: Friday, 1:45 PM and Saturday, 3:30 PM

Participants will learn an interactive type of prayer and meditation that uses sacred songs, music and imagery. Multisensory experiences will create a healing, hope-filled space where the body, the mind and the spirit are nurtured and energized.
Program Choices

Participants will gain personal insights about their own gifts, changing roles within the Christian community and how to renew the lyrical spirit of daily living in a stress-filled world.

Sally Niles is a board-certified music therapist in Phoenix, Arizona. She is a member of University Presbyterian Church, Tempe, Arizona, and has been a Sunday school teacher, deacon and elder.

29. Native American Rights, Including Land Rights, Voting Rights and All Aspects of Sovereignty—June L. Lorenzo
Offered twice: Saturday, 10:30 AM and 1:45 PM

In 2006, the General Assembly Task Force on Native American Ministries submitted a report on the Church’s 300-year relationship with Native peoples, as well as recommendations for the future. In this ed op, participants will review the report and recommendations and do some “future-ing” together, with the role of Presbyterian women in mind.

June L. Lorenzo, Laguna Pueblo/Navajo (Dine), is an elder at Laguna United Presbyterian Church, the only Native American church in Santa Fe Presbytery. She has devoted her law practice to public interest law, including human rights and civil rights, and has served on PC(USA) bodies at all levels of the church.

30. Oneness with the Earth—Neddy Astudillo
Offered twice: Saturday, 10:30 AM and 1:45 PM

“The earth is the Lord’s” (Ps. 24:1a). She is also where we exist and experience God. A lack of oneness with our home impacts our faith, human identity and the planet’s health. How can God as creator help us reconnect with the Earth and the fullness thereof? What are our experiences and traditions saying?

Neddy Astudillo is an eco-theologian and pastor. A Venezuelan-American, Neddy is cofounder of the Angelic Organics Center, where people learn about food, farming and caring for the earth. She has taught eco-theology in churches and ecumenical seminaries in Latin America.

31. Pilgrimage Through Loss: Bold-Spirited Living During Life Challenges—Linda Lawrence Hunt
Offered twice: Saturday, 1:45 PM and 3:30 PM

As persons embracing the Christian faith, how do we live with heart-breaking losses, or come alongside others during the profound shipwrecks of life? Drawing from interviews with dozens of families for her latest book Pilgrimage Through Loss, and from her experience of losing a daughter, Linda will explore with participants resources for strength and renewal during difficult times.

Linda Lawrence Hunt is an award-winning author, English professor emerita from Whitworth University and two-time cancer survivor who speaks nationally on resilience. After their 25-year-old daughter died while volunteering in Bolivia, Linda and her husband, Jim, founded the Krista Foundation for Global Citizenship.

32. Presbyterian Women: Where We’ve Been and Where We’re Going—Mary Cook Jorgenson and Susan Jackson-Dowd
Offered twice: Friday and Saturday, 3:30 PM

Presbyterian Women is a strong organization filled with passionate members. It is also an organization that is evolving and adapting to changes in the church, our families and our communities. Ed op leaders have traveled to regional Gatherings and workshops on behalf of PW and look forward to sharing what they’ve learned so far. Join them in celebrating PW history and the ongoing work and opportunities available to individuals and PW groups.

Mary Cook Jorgenson is the 2012–2015 PW Churchwide moderator and a ruling elder from Kansas City, Missouri.

Susan Jackson-Dowd is the executive director of Presbyterian Women in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), Inc.

33. Quality Education for All Children: A Key to Poverty Alleviation and Community Transformation—Frank Dimmock

For more information or to register online, visit www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering.
Offered twice: Friday, 1:45 PM and 3:30 PM
Addressing the root causes of poverty is one of three major initiatives of PC(USA) World Mission. The initial campaign of that initiative is to work with global and U.S. partners to provide quality education to one million children by the year 2020. Frank will share how this campaign, launched by the 221st General Assembly, is progressing and challenge participants to join the campaign.

Frank Dimmock serves in the World Mission area of the Presbyterian Mission Agency. With more than 30 years of public health mission work in eight African countries, Frank has personally experienced the power of education.

34. State of the PC(USA)—Gradye Parsons
Offered twice: Saturday, 10:30 AM and 3:30 PM
What does it mean for the PC(USA) that we are a hopeful people who follow a God who won’t stay still? When we make room in our church for everyone to share the true stories of their lives, what will we look like and who will we be? Where do we go from here? Gradye plans time during his presentations for discussion.

Gradye Parsons serves the PC(USA) as stated clerk of the General Assembly.

35. Tour of Westminster Presbyterian Church—Rodney Schwartz
Offered four times: Friday, 10:30 AM, 1:45 PM and 3:30 PM and Saturday, 10:30 AM
Take a guided tour of beautiful Westminster Presbyterian Church, immediately across the street from the Hyatt, on Nicollet Mall. Highlights of the historic building include the sanctuary (built in 1897 and listed on the national Register of Historic Places), the Gothic-style chapel, the Möller organ and an extensive art collection. Each tour is limited to 20 people.

Rodney Schwartz is director of The Westminster Gallery and Archive.

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37. Welcome Each Other as Christ Has Welcomed You—Teresa Chávez Sauceda
Offered twice: Friday and Saturday, 10:30 AM
This ed op introduces Practicing God’s Radical Hospitality: Exploring Difference, Change and Leadership Through the Spiritual Discipline of Hospitality, a resource published by Presbyterian Women to help individuals and groups develop their capacity to welcome and engage the diversity in their midst.

Teresa Chávez Sauceda is a minister member of San Francisco Presbytery, where she responds to God’s call as a part-time chaplain. Teresa is also an instructor, facilitator and author in mission, ministry and culture.

38. When Words Fail: Ministering to People with Dementia and Their Caregivers—Kathy Berry
Offered twice: Friday and Saturday, 10:30 AM
This ed op will help participants better understand the physiology of dementia, learn how dementia affects people emotionally and spiritually, discover practical ways to minister throughout the illness’s various stages and become better communicators with people who have dementia.
Kathy Berry is a chaplain at Westminster Canterbury of Richmond, Virginia. Since 2002, Kathy has been a trainer for the Alzheimer’s Association.

39. Women Hold the Key: Half the Sky Is Not Enough—Pam Snyder and Sheila Louder
Offered once: Saturday, 3:30 PM
A Chinese proverb says “Women hold up half the sky.” Women (and men!) hold the keys to ending violence against women and girls. Highlights of PW participation in the UN Commission on the Status of Women and a review of the Millennium Development Goals will be shared in this interactive discussion. Participants will leave with practical tools and resources to assist their advocacy work when they return home.

Pam Snyder is the 2012–2015 PW Churchwide vice moderator for mission relationships. Pam has been a PC(USA) delegate to the UN Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) for nine years.

Sheila Louder is the 2012–2015 PW Churchwide vice moderator for justice and peace concerns; she led the PW delegation to CSW in 2014.

40. Women’s Work for Women: Cooperation Between American Presbyterian Women Missionaries and Chinese Women—Wai-Yin Christina Wong
Offered twice: Friday, 10:30 AM and 3:30 PM
As part of the American women’s missionary movement of the 1850s, a number of American Presbyterian women missionaries were sent to Canton, South China, to develop significant women’s ministries throughout the province. This ed op will help participants explore interaction and cooperation between Chinese women and women missionaries and enhance their understanding of the noted motto “Women’s Work for Women.”

Wai-Yin Christina Wong is a Ph.D. candidate in interdisciplinary studies, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, California.

Mission Tours
These tours require additional payment. Tours A and C must be prepaid with Gathering registration. For Tour B, plan on having the cost of transportation with you when you depart for the tour, as well as any donation you would like to make.

A. Local Mission Medley
Offered once: Thursday, 9:30 AM–4:30 PM
Are you traveling to the Gathering with a voting rep and have Thursday free? Come with us in a deluxe motor coach to see six local missions that are changing lives, neighborhoods and, by extension, the world. We will visit three mission sites before lunch and three after. Amount of walking depends on preference of participant.

(Note: You will be on your own for lunch and shopping at the fabulous International Market.)
Cost: $30, which includes the cost of transportation and a small donation to missions.

B. Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity
Offered once: Friday, 1:45–4:45 PM
Visit Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity’s new headquarters. See programs that work for foreclosure prevention, mortgage loan education, veterans’ housing initiatives and more. Moderate distance walking involved.

(Note: Tour participants are responsible for transportation to Habitat. The Light Rail Transit provides convenient transportation to the site. Habitat and PW volunteers will guide you from the Hyatt to light rail boarding and from light rail to Habitat headquarters.)
Cost: Approximately $5 for roundtrip transportation on light rail, plus whatever donation you want to give to Habitat.

C. Kwanzaa Community Church
Offered once: Saturday, 1:45–4:45 PM
Visit Kwanzaa Community Church, a small Presbyterian congregation dedicated to improving the lives of women and children in north
Minneapolis. Learn the story of the Northside Women’s Space (a safe place of respite, healing and recovery for girls and women who have been exploited by sex trafficking) and hear about their children’s education and HIV/AIDS programs. Find out how a task force of Presbyterians has formed across the Twin Cities area to provide these programs. Amount of walking depends on preference of participant.

Cost: $20, which includes the cost of transportation and a small donation to Kwanzaa.

**Other Programming**

**Book Groups**
Join pre-dinner book groups at the Gathering! On Thursday, Friday and Saturday, meet with other bookworms 5–5:45 PM for a discussion of books selected with PW in mind.
- Thursday, June 18: *The Submission* by Amy Waldman
- Friday, June 19: *Paula* by Isabel Allende
- Saturday, June 20: *Learning to Walk in the Dark* by Barbara Brown Taylor

**Get-togethers**
Join one of three get-togethers to learn more about what’s new with Presbyterian Women and the PC(USA). These will be opportunities for open dialog with PW and PC(USA) leaders. Stop in on your way to dinner, 5–5:45 PM!
- Friday, June 19: Two simultaneous sessions—One with PW financial leaders, one on PW legal matters
- Saturday, June 20: Guests representing the General Assembly

**Spirituality Center**
The Spirituality Center provides a quiet space for prayer and personal devotions. It is a space in which to listen and meditate on what your body and the Spirit are saying to you. Come for prayer, for respite, for a chance to stretch your body and your spirit.

**Exercise Classes**
Exercise your body and spirit in daily exercise classes at the Gathering. Mickey Farmer, who is certified in numerous areas of fitness instruction, will teach. Her classes are appropriate for all ages and levels of experience. Bring a mat and wear clothing in which you can move freely. The classes will be in the Hyatt Regency’s fitness center, 6:45–7:30 AM.
- Friday, June 19: Pilates
- Saturday, June 20: Yoga
- Sunday, June 21: Dance/Fun movement

**Activities Hall**
This Gathering, even the busiest among us will find moments to enjoy the many exhibits, projects and shopping in the Activities Hall. At this Gathering, the dining area is accessed via the Activities Hall!

Whether on your way to dine or taking in all that the Gathering has to offer, visit the Activities Hall (often!) for fun, fellowship and a bit of frivolity. Explore the many exhibits and learn about all things Presbyterian. Visit the *Horizons* area, where you can renew your subscription and meet writers and editors. Participate in creative endeavors. Learn about the work of the Churchwide Coordinating Team. Meet new friends. Nibble snacks and take a rest. Shop the Presbyterian Bookstore, Presbyterian Hunger Program Global Marketplace and other vendors. View the Clothesline Project. Plan on making this a once-every-three-year tradition!

**Silent Auction**
Gathering attendees will have the opportunity to bid in a silent auction on exquisite handmade crafts, one-of-a-kind experiences and other fun gems collected by synod and presbytery coordinating teams. All proceeds will benefit the Mission Pledge, which funds nearly every PW program. Don’t miss this opportunity to shop with purpose! Watch www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering for details on how to contribute items to the auction.
Program Choices

One Small Gift (Card!)
Consider bringing a $10 prepaid Target gift card to the Gathering for the American Indian Family Center (AIFC) in St. Paul. This St. Paul program supports Native American families by valuing and strengthening the American Indian community and its culture. The AIFC runs the Wakanyeja Kin Wakan Pi (Our Children Are Sacred) Program, which provides direct services to Native American women during the prenatal and postnatal periods. Culturally-specific case management services help ensure healthy birth outcomes and good health for the mother and baby. Wakanyeja Kin Wakan Pi coordinates mothers’ support groups and offers classes on parenting, nutrition and good health.

Should you wish to donate more than $10, please purchase additional gift cards in the amount of $10 each. The gift cards will be collected at the Gathering registration area and dedicated during a worship service at the Gathering. These small cards are easy to pack, but they pack a very big impact!

Mission Scrapbook Project
Help us prepare an online mission scrapbook! Bring a 12” x 12” scrapbook page to the Gathering that highlights PW mission! Include pictures and text that tell us about the project—when, where, why, who, how and so on! On the back of the page, include the name of the church, presbytery or synod that worked on the mission project; the name, email and phone number of a contact person; and a signed release for individuals in the photos.

Congregations may submit one page; presbyteries and synods may submit up to three pages, with contact information on each page. Bring your scrapbook page to the CCT booth in the Activities Hall. The pages will be displayed during the Gathering. The pages will not be returned to you; instead they will be digitized and shared in an online mission scrapbook!

Minerva Moose and Marisol Moose thank Minnie for inviting us to your PW circle many moons ago. We stand with you today in Minneapolis because you extended your hoof to us then. Bless you, Minnie!

Want to honor your PW mentors and sisters in the Churchwide Gathering program book? Place a PW personal ad like this half page ad (actual size in the program book will be 4” x 5”). See page 18 for details.

For more information or to register online, visit www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering.
Transportation

For full-service air travel assistance ($30 fee per person), contact Roger Roy, Global Travel Alliance, at 505/867-2829 or email gtaror@yahoo.com.

There are a number of economical options for getting to the Hyatt Regency from the Minneapolis–St. Paul International airport.

- Get on a Light Rail Transit (LRT) train at the airport and go to the stop for Nicollet Mall (the 11-block area of Nicollet Avenue in which the Hyatt Regency is located). Trains run every 10 minutes during peak hours and every 10–60 minutes at other times of the day. Fares for adults are $1.75–$2.25. Pick up a bus at the Nicollet Mall stop to take you to the Hyatt Regency. Look for buses marked “Free ride” when boarding along Nicollet Mall. Other buses are just $0.50.
- Reserve a ride (ranging from a ride-share van to a chauffeured sedan or van) through Super Shuttle, 800/258-3826 or www.supershuttle.com. Costs, which are subject to change, range from $18 per person (for ride-share van) to $99 flat fee (for multiple passengers in one car/van).
- Taxis will be available (or may be arranged) at the airport.

PW volunteers will be at the airport during peak arrival times to direct you to transportation pick-up locations.

Housing

All sleeping rooms for the 2015 Gathering will be at the Hyatt Regency Minneapolis. Attendees are responsible for making their own hotel reservations and finding roommate(s). Only one person per hotel room should submit an online hotel reservation or call for the reservation, but should list the names of others to occupy that room. Reservations may be made by calling the hotel directly or through a link on the PW Gathering web page. Room rates are $169 per room, per night, one to four persons per room, plus tax. These room rates also will apply three days before and after the Gathering. Make it a vacation!

To take advantage of the special Gathering rates, reserve your room by May 29. After this date, the hotel may charge higher rates. Parking rates at the hotel are $17 per day, subject to change. Valet parking is $30 per day.

**Reservations**

Hotel reservations can be made online or by phone beginning now. Make your reservation using one of the following methods:

- Phone—Call 888/421-1442; reference the 2015 Gathering of Presbyterian Women.
- Internet—Go to www.presbyterianwomen.org /gathering for a link to Hyatt’s online reservation for the Gathering (prices shown online will reflect the special $169 rate).

**Acknowledgments**

An acknowledgment will be sent after each housing booking, modification and/or cancellation. Review it carefully for accuracy. If you do not receive an acknowledgment, please contact the hotel.

**Deposits**

Confirmed hotel reservations may charge your credit card a first night’s room rate and tax for each room reserved. The Hyatt Regency accepts deposits made by check, VISA, MasterCard, American Express, Diners Club, JCB and Discover. Credit cards must be valid through December 31, 2015. There is an early departure fee of half of the room rate, plus tax.

**Modifications/cancellations**

Any reservation cancelled less than 72 hours prior to arrival date is subject to a first-night room charge plus tax. Modify or cancel reservations online or by telephone.
Registration (by mail and online) opens January 15, 2015. Between January 15–June 1, choose one of the following ways to submit your registration with full payment.

- Online at www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering. You may pay by credit card or check, and will receive immediate confirmation. (You may find it helpful to make notes on the printed form before registering online.)

- Mail completed registration form to Presbyterian Women—Gathering, PO Box 643652, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3652; must be U.S. postmarked by June 1, 2015. You may pay by check, Visa or MasterCard. If you provide an email address, you will receive a confirmation via email.

(Remember, registering before March 20 will earn you a special-edition Gathering pin, priority for purchasing one of the limited-edition Gathering tote bags and the opportunity to vote on the Gathering theme song!)

After June 1, please register at the Gathering registration area at the Hyatt Regency when you arrive.

Name tags and ed op confirmations will be picked up at the Gathering registration desk. After April 20, download the first issue of *Daily Horizons*—full of important details to know before arriving!—at www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering.

**Registration Options**

**Full participant registration**

Full participant registration is $395. This includes three meals (lunch on Saturday; dinner on Thursday and Friday), programs, exhibits, shopping, workshops and a program book. Hotel, travel and other meals are additional.

**One-day registration**

One-day registration is $125. This includes that day’s meal, workshops, programs, shopping, exhibits and a program book.

**Voting Representatives**

The triennial Business Meeting of Presbyterian Women will convene at 7 pm on Wednesday, June 17 and adjourn by 5 pm on Thursday, June 18. Voting representatives will be available for complete Gathering programming.

Voting representatives (VR) may register by using the registration form on pages 19–25 or online. Payment for your registration fees must accompany your registration.

Voting representatives follow the standard arrangements for making housing arrangements (see page 16), including choosing roommates. More information will be available in the January 2015 mailing to voting representatives from PW’s national office. Contact your PWP and PWS moderators for further instructions.

**Cancellation Policy**

Send registration cancellation/refund requests in writing to the PW Business Office, 100 Witherspoon St., Louisville, KY 40202-1396, by May 1, 2015; hotel cancellation is your responsibility. All cancellation refunds will be less a $50 processing fee.

Gathering registration questions? After January 1, 2015, contact Gathering registrar Theresa Underwood at pw2015cwg@aol.com or 540/520-2610.

For PW or general Gathering information, call 844/PWPCUSA (844/797-2872), ext. 8015.

For more information or to register online, visit www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering.
Looking for a way to honor your PW sisters or send a prayer for your voting reps?

If so, consider placing a PW personal ad in the 2015 Churchwide Gathering program book!

The Churchwide Gathering program book is more than a road map (or GPS!) of Gathering events and their corresponding times. The program book finds new life in synod and presbytery gatherings across the country, providing worship and workshop ideas, and more. What Gathering attendee doesn’t have her program book(s) stashed away as a reminder of good days spent in fellowship with good friends in the faith? In other words, the program book becomes a highly regarded and appreciated resource for years to come!

For the first time ever, the pages of the 2015 Churchwide Gathering of Presbyterian Women will expand to provide Presbyterian women with the opportunity to express their thanks, admiration, good humor and invitation to one another!

Here’s how to reserve your program book recognition space:

• **Reserve your spot!** Return this completed form by March 20, 2015 (or March 2, if your PW personal ad requires design assistance from PW staff).

• **Choose a size,** You and/or your circle/church/presbytery/synod may choose
  - Full-page ad (5” x 8”)—$250.00
  - Half-page ad (4” x 5”)—$175.00
  - Quarter-page ad (2.5” x 4”)—$100.00

• **Return this form with a check** made payable to “Presbyterian Women” (“Program Book” in the notes line of the check) to:
  
  Carissa Herold  
  Presbyterian Women  
  100 Witherspoon St., Room 3063  
  Louisville, KY 40202-1396

Or email your reservation to carissa.herold@pcusa.org. You will receive a confirmation number for your PW personal ad. Once you have received this number . . .

. . . send a pdf of your **art** (see the dimensions above for proper size) to Laura Lee (laura.lee@pcusa.org). Please include your confirmation number in the subject line of the email. If you want the PW design team to design your ad for you (no extra cost!), please send a sketch with words to Carissa Herold at the address (or email) above. Please include your confirmation number and allow ample time for the designers to work their magic!

**Imagine the possibilities!** Gracious Minnie the Moose, the PW 2015 Churchwide Gathering “moose-cot” (mascot!), has kindly shared two examples of PW personal ads that those who cherish her (and there are many!) have submitted on her behalf!  
See pages 15 and 25.
Carefully print all information on all pages of the registration form. Cut the pages along the dotted lines to remove them from the booklet. Make a copy of both sides of the pages and of your payment (if paying by check) before putting originals in the mail. Keep those copies and this booklet for your records.

Part 1. Participant information

Please type or print above the line.

Last name                           First name Middle name (optional) Name for name tag
Mailing address
City                                          State Country Postal code
Daytime phone number     Cell phone number (optional)
Email address
Presbytery                           Synod Date of birth
Name of emergency contact                                     Emergency phone number

Gender
☐ Female   ☐ Male

Race/Ethnicity (U.S. residents only)
☐ African American  ☐ Hispanic/Latina(o)  ☐ Native American
☐ Asian/Pacific Islander  ☐ Korean  ☐ Other __________
☐ Caucasian/White  ☐ Middle Eastern

International attendees
☐ Bilingual (English and another language/s) __________________________ Other language/s __________________________
☐ Other language/s only __________________________ Country __________________________
Name of sponsoring group __________________________ Sponsoring group contact person __________________________
Phone __________________________ Email __________________________

Note: This form will not be processed without the name and contact information of a PC(USA) sponsor.

I am a/an
☐ Antiracism facilitator  ☐ Celebration Giving representative  ☐ Certified Christian educator
☐ Christian educator  ☐ Deacon
☐ Horizons representative (be sure to visit the Horizons area)
☐ Horizons magazine subscriber (if not, visit the Horizons booth for a special rate!)
☐ Justice and Peace chair/facilitator/representative
☐ PW cluster leader  ☐ PW communications liaison  ☐ PW coordinating team member
☐ PW circle/group member
☐ Ruling elder  ☐ Seminarian  ☐ Teaching elder

For more information or to register online, visit www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering.
Registration Form

Name ____________________________

Part 2. Gathering participation

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Educational Opportunities (workshops and mission tours) registration

Each day’s educational opportunities (ed ops) are listed below. In the peach grids that follow the lists, please write the numbers or letters of your top two choices for each of the three time slots on Friday and on Saturday. Each column represents a time slot. Joining a mission tour (shown in purple) on Friday or Saturday means you will not be available for other afternoon workshops that day. However, in case a mission tour is unavailable, please indicate backup choices.

You will receive confirmation for your selections when you pick up your registration materials at the Gathering. If you need a different ed op, simply go to the new ed op location and wait to be seated in the space available. Onsite registration for mission tours is possible, pending availability.

Thursday, 9:30 AM–4:30 PM

A. Local Mission Medley, $30—paid in advance; see p. 13

Choice 1:

Friday, 10:30–11:45 AM

3. 3-D Ministry: Discovering, Discerning and Developing the Missional Life God Calls Us to Lead

Friday, 1:45–3 PM

B. Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity, no advance payment; see p. 13

Friday, 3:30–4:45 PM

3. 3-D Ministry: Discovering, Discerning and Developing the Missional Life God Calls Us to Lead

4. Accessing Spiritual Power to Change the World

7. A Critical Conversation on Sex Trading and Trafficking

8. The Domestic Workers Movement: The Church and Secular Social Justice Working Together for Social Transformation

10. Expressions of Faith

### Registration Form

**Name**

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Additional programming

I plan to participate in

- Book groups (5–5:45 PM)
  - Thursday book group—*The Submission* by Amy Waldman
  - Friday book group—*Paula* by Isabel Allende
  - Saturday book group—*Learning to Walk in the Dark* by Barbara Brown Taylor

- Get-togethers (5–5:45 PM)
  - Friday get-together—PW legal matters
  - Friday get-together—PW financial leaders
  - Saturday get-together—General Assembly representatives

Special Diet

- Vegetarian meals
- Gluten-free meals

Plenary Accessibility

- American Sign Language
- Amplification headset
- Wheelchair seating
- Low vision seating
- Language translation headset
  - Spanish
  - Korean

Volunteering

I am willing to volunteer as/in*

- Usher
- *Horizons* area
- Wherever needed
- Communion server
- ruling elder
- teaching elder
- Photographer
- *Daily Horizons* reporter
- Gathering Choir

*Volunteers will be contacted (by email) in May 2015 to schedule service.

For more information or to register online, visit www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering.
### Part 3. Registration fees and payment

**Mission Tours:** If Tours A or C are included in your ed op choices, please enter fee information below and prepay with registration. All mission tours require advance sign-up in the ed op selection grids on pages 20–23. (Tour B is not paid in advance, but has fees associated—$5 for transportation, plus your donation to Habitat.)

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**Gathering Tote Bag:** Purchase one of the limited-edition, eco-friendly, official 2015 Gathering tote bags! These bags were made in Minneapolis by a woman-owned company, and designed with PW in mind!

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The Bullwinkle Circle of Fifth Presbyterian Church, Upper Tundra, Minnesota, extends gratitude to Minnie, who has volunteered once again (fifth Gathering in a row!) to transport circle members to the best event of the triennium!
We pray for traveling mercies and lovely memories!

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All roads lead to Minneapolis for the 2015 Churchwide Gathering of Presbyterian Women, June 18–21! Turn on your GPS, turn off your hectic schedule and follow Minnie the Moose (the 2015 CWG moose-cot) to the lovely Hyatt Regency Minneapolis for days of worship, fun, fellowship, connection and spiritual uplift!

Here are a few details!

- The 2015 Churchwide Gathering of Presbyterian Women will be held at the Hyatt Regency Minneapolis, on June 18–21, 2015.
- Full registration is $395 (a savings from 2012). Single days are $125.
- Registration opens January 15, 2015.
- Rooms at the Hyatt are $169 per night (plus tax) for up to four people (also a savings from 2012).
- Extend your stay at the mid-century Scandinavian-inspired Hyatt Regency, conveniently situated in Nicollet Mall in downtown Minneapolis, and take in the best of Minneapolis, including cultural attractions, shopping (including nearby Mall of America), and dining.

Visit www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering for details (and check back often for updates)!