

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE SUNDAY



March 18, 2018

The Presbytery of West Jersey

*A day for all church leaders to increase knowledge
and skills and be renewed in joy and purpose*

When

March 18, 2018 ~ 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Where

The Presbyterian Church at Hammonton

SCHEDULE

1:30 – 2:00	Registration	Main Lounge
2:00-2:10	Worship	Sanctuary
2:15-3:30	WORKSHOPS	
3:30	Break	Main Lounge
3:45-5:00	WORKSHOPS evaluations and closing prayers	

For more information:

admin@wjpres.net or 856-547-5100

Cost: \$10.00 per person, \$25.00 max per church
Pre-registration not required. Pay at Registration table.

*Attend two workshops.
See the ones you can choose from:*

February 14, 2018

WORKSHOPS – 2:15 pm to 3:30 pm

Elders' Forum Part I: The ministry of discernment and governance. Your job is to help the congregation discern and measure its fidelity to the Word of God and strengthen and nurture its faith and life. Here's help. (This workshop will be continued in the second round of workshops)

Leader: Elder David Watts, Clerk of Session at Union Presbyterian Church, Carney's Point

New Clerk of Session Training: This is primarily for new and recently new clerks but also of interest to more experienced clerks who want to review such topics as keeping rolls, registers, and minutes and your larger role as a spiritual leader.

Leader: Rev. Wendy B. Boer, Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of West Jersey

The Treasurers' Exchange: (scheduled for the first period but with optional overtime as needed/desired): Church Treasurers and Church Financial Secretaries have a lot of nuts and bolts details to attend to. So, here's some nuts and bolts help for you. Bring your questions and concerns. Elder Richard Daugherty, Financial Secretary at Woodbury Heights Presbyterian Church will be present to add information on his role and how he interacts with the Treasurer.

Leader: Elder Joseph Currie, Church Treasurer, Faith Presbyterian Church, Medford.

Caring and Serving: "You never know who's coming through the door!": Hurting people, grieving people, traumatized people, frightened people, people with special needs, people looking for love and caring. They may be young or old, new faces or long-time members. Deacons and other congregational caregivers are called to recognize and respond. How can you help? When and how do you refer to specialized helpers?

Leader: Elder Milt Fredericks, Elder and Pastoral Visitor, The Presbyterian Church at Woodbury

Older Adult Ministry: Many times, we think we need to "grow" our churches only through bringing in young families with children, often neglecting our older adults who have stayed with our churches their whole lives. Our challenge is to learn ways to "grow" the church by including our older adults through creating activities for them and helping them to remain active and a vital part of our worshiping communities. Come and share ideas and learn ways to work with older adults.

Leader: Rev. Lynne Trout, Presbyterian Older Adult Ministry specialist.

WORKSHOPS – 3:45 pm to 5:00 pm

Creating a Manual of Operations: All sessions are required to develop a manual of administrative operations. We will look at what needs to be in it and how you might go about creating it and keeping it up to date and inclusive. . This is for new and experienced clerks and any other interested parties. Moderators are also encouraged to attend

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Elders' Forum Part 2: See above for a description. You do not need to have attended Part 1 to come to this portion of the Elders' Forum.

Leader: Elder David Watts, Clerk of Session at Union Presbyterian Church, Carney's Point

Men's Ministry: How are you serving the men of your congregation? A men's group could help them become more deeply committed to Jesus Christ, more involved with your church and community and more committed to the vision, mission and goals of your church's ministry. Explore the possibilities.

Leader: Elder Rob Riehl, Clerk of Session, Cold Spring Presbyterian Church

The Church as a Community Destination: Especially for church leaders. Is the energy you spend reaching out and trying to bring folks into the church achieving the results you really want? There's hope! This workshop offers your new tools to make the connection as a good neighbor. Deliver what your community outside your doors really needs.

Leader: Rev. Dr. Kevin Yoho, Cold Spring Presbyterian Church