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of  
prayers + concerns + joys**

Please continue to pray for Jessica and Kelly Reimer, members of Forest Park Presbyterian Church, as they await the opportunity to adopt a child.

Pray for Craig Howard as he transitions to his call with the Giddings-Lovejoy Presbytery in the Saint Louis area as their Transitional Presbytery Leader. And pray for the Presbytery of Milwaukee as it searches for a Transitional Presbytery Leader, and as they form the Search Committee who will begin the process of identifying the next called and installed Presbytery Leader. In all of this, we are grateful for Craig – for his faithful, compassionate and courageous ministry. We pray God's blessing upon Craig's and our continuing ministry for what is *next*!

Please pray for all the honorably retired pastors in our presbytery. For those in ill health or have family members with health issues, we pray God's comfort and healing grace. For those who are lonely, bless them with unexpected joys that bring encouragement in their daily lives. For those experiencing frayed relationships, give courage as they seek reconciliation. For those who have lost a sense of purpose, remind them by the power of Your Spirit, that they are beloved children of God who bring a disciple's seasoned witness of the love of Jesus Christ. And perhaps, during this Advent season of waiting and hoping, we might discern a nudge to reach out to a retired pastor. Maybe it'll be a personal visit, a batch of cookies, a handwritten card or phone call, or an email! As we wait with expectant hope during this Advent season, God help us give an unexpected joy to those whom we have not forgotten. May it be so.

Please consider sharing your prayer requests, concerns and joys with the wider faith community of our presbytery so that we have opportunity to more fully support one another. Contact the presbytery's Pastor to Pastors, Susan Stoll, via email at [ssoll@pbymilwaukee.org](mailto:ssoll@pbymilwaukee.org) if you'd like your request added to the *prayer basket* in next week's Fresh Impressions.