Please join us for our 2026 Clabaugh Speaker Series

The Border and Immigration - A Faith Perspective

The Rev. Dr. John M. Nelsen

Founding Member and Partner Liaison for Tres Rios Presbytery Border Ministry



OCTOBER 18

SUNDAY

Worship 10:15 AM

The Neighbor Loophole

Luke 10:25-37

Public Talk 6:30 PM

What's Going on at the Border and Why Should We Care?

OCTOBER 19

MONDAY

Lunch & Talk 12:00 noon (RSVP to Church office)

What We Have Learned

Public Talk 7:00 PM

What Can We Do? - Joining God's Movement

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No charge; all are welcome; all events are at the church.

Worship and evening talks will be livestreamed.

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The Rev. Dr. John M. Nelsen

Rev. Nelsen served the PCUSA for 43 years as a pastor of three churches: in Maryland, Oklahoma, and El Paso Texas. In Oklahoma, he and the church were introduced to the Border through numerous mission trips. Since that introduction, John has been involved with Border Ministry in a variety of capacities for over 33 years including his time as pastor in El Paso. Upon John's retirement in 2022, he accepted a call as a full-time volunteer for Tres Rios Border Ministry Foundation. TRPBM has been heavily involved in immigration ministry through direct support as well as ongoing education to many PCUSA churches, presbyteries, and organizations. John has been married to Becky for 48 years, and they have two children who have families with grandchildren!

Rev. Nelsen will give the sermon on Sunday morning, October 18, as well as evening public presentations October 18 & 19, and a lunch discussion group on October 19.

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me." Mathew 25:35