



***e-News* from the Presbytery of Tampa Bay**

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The Mission of the Presbytery of Tampa Bay is to identify and strengthen leaders so that every congregation makes new and mature disciples of Jesus Christ.

GOOD NEWS!

Congratulations to Rev. Jenny Sumner Carswell and Brian Carswell who welcomed baby son Marshall Conner Carswell into the world on Saturday January 17, 2015! Rev. Carswell is Clinical Pastoral Education Supervisor at Tampa General Hospital.

The Rev. Nicole Partin Abdnour and her husband Chris are welcoming Malachi (7), Maliyah (5), and Nevaeh (3) into their family! Please pray for them in this time of transition as they move towards the final adoption. Nicole is Associate Pastor at Palma Ceia Presbyterian Church, Tampa.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOU

HRs, Mark Your Calendars:

Clark Simmons, our Regional Representative with the Board of Pensions, will host two lunches for anyone who receives a pension from the BOP: Tuesday, April 7, Grassland Country Club, Lakeland; or Wednesday, April 8, St. Petersburg Yacht Club, St. Pete. Clark is engaging, informative, and very helpful. To make a reservation, contact Ann Marie in the presbytery office at office@pbty.org.

Wanted: Interim Music Director, Presbyterian Church of Palm Harbor

The Interim Music Director will direct and accompany a fun-loving choir of 20-30 (seasonal) which enjoys Mark Hayes' arrangements; separate choir room, extensive music library. Rehearsal on Thursdays, 7-8:30 p.m.; worship on Sundays at 10:15 a.m. Prior experience with worship services and choirs is desired. Send resume with references to the Presbyterian Church of Palm Harbor, 2021 Nebraska Avenue, Palm Harbor, FL 34683; Attention: Art Ruddle; questions to artruddle@hotmail.com.

Choir Concert at First Presbyterian Church, Dunedin

The Alma College Choir, a Presbyterian college in Alma, Michigan, will offer a concert at First Presbyterian Church, Dunedin, on Friday, February 27, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. The concert's free; an offering will be collected. FPC is located at 455 Scotland Street, Dunedin, FL 34698.

Mission Trip to Honduras

The International Mission Partnership Committee is in the process of finalizing dates for the summer of 2015 mission trip to Honduras. If you are interested in participating or would like more information please call Betty Wajdowicz: 727-596-4740, Gene Aspy: 863-299-2846, or Margaret Shaw: 813-655-2795.

CHURCH BUSINESS:

Annual Statistical Report

To access: www.oga.pcusa.org/stats. Your sign-in information is the same as last year—if you need this information, or have any other questions, email statedclerk@pbty.org. Deadline: Friday, February 13, 2015. *Per Capita is figured on a church's prior year's membership, so it behooves us all to stay up-to-date on the Statistical Report.*

Necrology Report for 2014

If your congregation had Teaching or Ruling Elder deaths in 2014, please let us know. We will remember them at the February 28, 2015 Presbytery Stated Meeting. You may email those names to statedclerk@pbty.com.

Proposed Amendments to the Constitution

We will vote on Proposed Amendments to the Constitution at the Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Tampa Bay on Saturday, February 28, 2015, at Trinity Presbyterian Church, Clearwater. If you need any Proposed Amendments booklets, please email statedclerk@pbty.com. The information is also available at: http://oga.pcusa.org/site_media/media/uploads/oga/pdf/2014-proposed-boa-electronic-version.pdf.

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