

GLAD TIDINGS of PEACE & JOY December 2017

The Monthly Newsletter of Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Tampa Bay

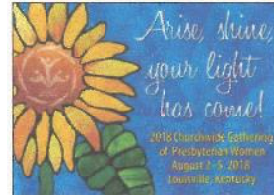
Calendar:

January 4, 2018 PCT (Presbytery Coordinating Team) 10:00 am
Good Samaritan PC, Pinellas Park
All are welcome to attend.

February 17, 2018 Annual Gathering,
FPC Crystal River – 9:30 am registration
Forms attached.



August 2-5, 2018 Louisville, KY
Churchwide Gathering



**Registration booklet is now available.
Planning to go? – let your liaison know. We
are making group plans!*

Enjoy your holidays! Create a new way to celebrate the season. Read your church's Advent book. Go window shopping & out to lunch with a friend. Sit on a bench at the mall and people watch. Plan a special PW gathering. (I am thinking about a Gathering of Angels – halos, white outfits, an angel skit.) Craft with your grandchildren. All of the above?

The end of the year remittances are suggested by December 10. Margaret is moving (closer to her twin grandchildren) so please use the updated form attached – 12-17.

The dark red positions need filling now or by the annual gathering. Please help.

Position Descriptions are available. Want to meet and chat about any position?
Contact Dia Stoner 804-690-4987 or lv2laf2@gmail.com.

Group C 2018

Assistant Moderator

Moderator Elect

South Pinellas Liaison

CHPL Liaison

Group A 2019

Moderator

Treasurer

Historian/Secretary – *(These 2 positions
are combined in the 2018 bylaws and need
to be filled in 2018)*

Group B 2020

Hillsborough Liaison

North Pinellas Liaison

Polk Liaison

Search Chair



Our 2018 **Annual Gathering** is fast approaching. Information and registration forms are attached with the newsletter so spread the word. This is the "BIG EVENT" for our PW year.

We will worship together, conduct necessary business like updating the bylaws (coming with the January Glad Tidings), elect new leadership, break bread, improve our Bible Study skills, and attend a workshop. Fellowship, food, friends – who could spend a better day?

See you **Saturday, February 17, 2018** at First Presbyterian Church, Crystal River. Can't miss it – it is on US 19. Registration at 9:30 am, program at 10:00. Bring your banner and stand, too.

Information attached. We welcome Vivian Bryant as our new registrar.



Workshop Options: (Annual Gathering)
Word of God Bead Necklaces: \$3 for this workshop includes all materials needed to make a necklace by using church bulletins, glossy magazines or old calendar pages, you can create a lovely necklace supplemented with other spacer beads. Cut, roll, glue, and string along with us.



Cross Stitch Chrismons: \$3 for this workshop includes all materials needed to complete a simple Chrismon. It will be a beautiful heirloom ornament.

**These crafts are easily reproducible for many applications at your church. The extra fee may be included with the registration,

Leadership/Team Building: Ways to develop your leadership through team building, intentional recruiting, creating strategies, training, evaluating, etc. in a power-packed 45 minute workshop. Specific and general information for all leadership positions.

Leadership Development: Questions for December - Real or artificial Tree? Why? What is your favorite kind of ornament? Your favorite cookie?



Merry Christmas



Search Team Strategies to Identify New Talent and to Nurture Younger Women

The Search Team of your PW Coordinating Team has an important responsibility which affects the future of your PW: it identifies and invites candidates to accept positions on the coordinating team. Pray regularly for this team and its work.

Refer to page 21 of the new PW Manual to review job descriptions for the search team and search team moderator, and review the bylaws/standing rules of your PW Presbytery and your local congregation PW.

Throughout the year make a commitment to attend as many presbytery-wide (or local congregation-wide) events as possible, and get to know the attendees. Make notes of any memorable things about the women with whom you speak. Use your own observations at these events and from previous years' events to create a group of possibilities for current and future nominees.

Make a chart listing the positions and next to each one, list key qualities, abilities, and activities essential to being an effective leader in that capacity. Try to identify two or three women per position whom you would like to consider. You know those women who would be perfect for a certain position and are so busy that no one wants to ask them to serve in one more position? Ask them! Give them the opportunity to make that decision for themselves, rather than your search team making the decision for them. Approach each candidate with love, compassion, and excitement for the position in which you are asking her to serve.

Here is a link to the helpful PW Search Committee Document and Resources:

https://www.presbyterianwomen.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/11/pwc_search_workshop.pdf
[18 hrs](#) ·

Holiday Bucket List

Be

1. Buy presents

2. Wrap gifts *someone in a hug*

3. Send gifts *love*

Donate

4. Shop for food

5. Make cookies *memories*

Be

6. See the lights

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