

November Presbytery Mini-Conference

November 3 & 4, 2017

First Presbyterian Church Bozeman

"So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up. . ."
Ephesians 4:11-12 (NIV)

Come to the Yellowstone Presbytery mini-conference in Bozeman to learn how God is equipping you to do ministry.

We start at 10:00 am on Friday, November 3, with **Building a Culture of Generosity** presented by Rob Hagen.

In today's ever-evolving culture, it is important for churches to develop a culture of making disciples who understand that generosity is a Jesus way of life, not merely an annual "campaign". Important aspects to generosity include: vision, storytelling, and living year-round as generous stewards of all God has entrusted to us. For these efforts to be most effective, they must be able to reach across all generations and utilize a variety of stories and communication approaches. I look forward to being with you, hearing your vision and excitement about the church in which you serve, participating in an interactive workshop in which you will get hands on experience in developing a Culture of Generosity in your local church. I will also be available for individual consultation for churches building a culture of generosity

Reverend Dr. Rob Hagan – Ministry Relations Officer, Presbyterian Foundation, works with pastors and church leaders to cultivate generosity and promote stewardship within their congregations. He also meets with donors to assist them in making gifts to support their church and other ministries. Previously, Rob served as Pastor/Head of Staff at Kennewick First Presbyterian Church, Kennewick, Washington since 1990. Previously, he served in various roles at Calvary Presbyterian Church in Fresno, California, Glenkirk Presbyterian Church in Glendora, California and Valley Community Presbyterian Church in Raleigh Hills, Oregon.

Following lunch and the time of worship with Dwelling in the Word; you will have the opportunity to choose from 3 workshops.

1. **'Called to Life' - a Year of Call at First Presbyterian Church, Bozeman**

Join us for an interactive discussion of how this focus on Call began in response to Stan Ott's February, 2017 Presbytery Workshop 'Transformed and Mobilized' on being Loved & Called - Gifted - Equipped - Sent. The Presenter is John S. Patterson, MD, Family Physician ('Retired') and current Ruling Elder FPC, Bozeman.

2. **Impactful Music for Sacred Worship**

Join Teaching Elder Debbie Funke and Ruling Elder Holly Aloise as they provide insight and resources to use in your worship services and explore the different ways music can enhance the worship experience. Ideas will be presented that will be helpful for smaller congregations with limited musical resources as well as for larger congregations looking to appeal to different styles and different generations. There will be philosophical discussion, innovative concepts, fun, and singing... Lots of singing.

3. **Christian Discipleship** is the relational process by which, "enabled by the Holy Spirit, Christians can actually be transformed. Those practices through which individuals can become like Christ in character and in power and thus realize our highest ideals for well-being and well-doing,... Ordinary individuals... can become, through the grace of Christ a love-filled, effective, and powerful community. This is the heart of the New Testament message." So writes Dallas Willard. This seminar for pastors and Church leaders will explore theologically and practically how we may help people grow in their relationship with God, with one another and in an impactful way with the world into which Christ sends us... Presented by George Goodrich.

The welcome letter with lodging information is available on the Presbytery website at: <http://yellowstonepcusa.org/>.