

## **Pastoral Ministry Team's Presbytery Report May 2021**

The purpose of the Pastoral Ministry Team is to come alongside of churches, sessions, pastors, and CREs to provide encouragement, support, and training as we work together to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. The PMT has the following items for information.

**Boundary Training** has been scheduled for 2021. There are two options to attend by Zoom – Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup> or Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Presenting will be Rev. Dr. Beth McCaw, the General Presbyter of Glacier Presbytery and Professor at Dubuque Seminary. Clergy and Commissioned Ruling Elders within Yellowstone Presbytery are **required** to have this training every three years. We also invite session members, children's and youth volunteers, child care workers, etc. to join us. Information for registering has been sent out and can be found on the Presbytery website.

**A group of CREs, CREs in training**, and those discerning whether or not the CRE path is for them, have been meeting monthly via Zoom since March of this year. Our meetings typically take place the first Tuesday of each month from 9:30-11:00am. The meeting consists of Dwelling in the Word (usually the lectionary gospel passage for that week), sharing/prayer, and a discussion about preaching based on the book, "A Little Handbook for Preachers: Ten Practical Ways to A Better Sermon by Sunday," by Mary S. Hulst. Our next Zoom session is scheduled for Tuesday, June 1st, 9:30-11:00am. Anyone interested in the CRE program is welcome. George Goodrich and JP Carlson are the co-facilitators. Please contact JP Carlson, [rev.jpcarlson@gmail.com](mailto:rev.jpcarlson@gmail.com), for further details.

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