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*"The Lord is my shepherd,  
I shall not want."  
Psalm 23:1*

*For the week of February 7, 2019*

# The Cincinnati Sampler

## PRESBYTERY MEETING NEXT WEEK

Saturday, February 16 the Presbytery of Cincinnati gathers at Westwood-First Presbyterian Church, 3011 Harrison Avenue, Cincinnati. Welcome begins at 8:30AM, with our meeting called to order at 9:00AM. The February Stated Meeting has become a major resourcing and networking event for local Presbyterians, and everyone is encouraged to attend.

Our featured speaker is the Reverend Dr. **Lisa Nichols Hickman**. Lisa is a Presbyterian pastor who has served churches in Princeton, NJ; Tucson, AZ; Charlotte, NC; New Wilmington, PA and Sharon, PA. She just completed her Ph.D. in Theology from Duquesne University. She is the author of: *Writing in the Margins: Connecting with God on the Pages of Your Bible*, *The Worshiping Life*, *26 Ways to Pray the Alphabet* and *Mercy and Melons*.

There will be major reports from the Presbytery Council and the Committee on Ministry, as well as reports from Administrative Commissions.

There will be books for purchase (CASH OR CHECK ONLY) from the Presbyterian Publishing Corporation and Hearts and Minds Bookstore in Dallastown, PA.

In addition, there will be a dozen workshops for "equipping the saints for the work of ministry". **Your workshop registration form is due TODAY**, to the Presbytery Office at 513-221-4850 or to scan to [office@cpresby.org](mailto:office@cpresby.org).

## PER CAPITA

**2019 per capita is \$35 per member** - according to membership your Clerk recorded in your 2017 statistical report. (One of the important reasons to complete your statistical report.) Of this total amount: \$22.80 is Presbytery per capita, \$3.25 is Synod per capita, and \$8.95 is General Assembly per capita.



### PRESBYTERY STAFF AND OFFICERS

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- **PRESBYTERY OFFICE HOURS ARE 9AM-2PM** Monday through Thursday

# RULING ELDER PREACHING INSTITUTE

FEBRUARY 2019

CALENDAR

PRESBYTERY OF  
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## Mon 11 February

Papers posted for the February Stated Meeting

## Tue 5 February

9:30AM Bible Study for Pastors and Preachers at the Presbytery Office—  
Rabbi du Jour is Sarah Ruden

## Sat 16 February

9:00AM-3:00PM Presbytery Meeting at Westwood-First PC, 115 South Vine Street, Harrison, OH 45030

## Mon 18 February

PRESBYTERY OFFICE  
CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF PRESIDENT'S DAY

## Tues 19 February

9:30 AM Bible Study for Pastors and Preachers at the Presbytery Office—  
Rabbi due Jour is Nancy Kahaian

11:00AM Nominating Committee Meeting



## REPI BEGINS MARCH 11

The Reverend Dr. **Ronald J. Allen**, Professor Emeritus of Preaching and the Gospels at Christian Theological Seminary (Indianapolis), is pictured above, standing in blue. He's one of the instructors for the **Ruling Elder Preaching Institute (REPI)** in the Presbytery of Cincinnati, that begins again on Monday, March 11 at 6:30PM. All classes will be hosted at the Presbytery Office, 1323 Myrtle Avenue in the East Walnut Hills neighborhood of Cincinnati.

Registration forms for REPI can be found on the Presbytery website at the "Office Forms" tab. Please download, complete, send with the \$125 fee, purchase A Sermon Workbook and a Holy Bible, and prepare to be instructed and delighted, coachable and curious. **Registration forms and payment must be submitted to the Presbytery Office by Thursday, February 28**, and there is a minimum number of participants to secure REPI, so please confirm as soon as able!

## NEWS AND NOTES

The **2019 Presbytery Directory** will be distributed at the Saturday, February 16 Stated Meeting at Westwood-First. Thank you for assistance with the process and providing necessary accurate information.

**An Organ Festival and Master Class for Church Organists** will be hosted at Covenant-First Presbyterian Church on Sunday, March 3 and Monday, March 4, featuring Dr. Andrew Henderson, organist and music director from Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church in New York. The event is hosted in collaboration with the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music. For more information, please contact Rob Heidenreich at 513.235.7828.

The Presbytery of Cincinnati invites you to the Service of Installation for the Reverend **Mike Brazelle** at **Mowrystown Presbyterian Church** on Sunday, February 24. Time to be announced. The entire Presbytery is invited and encouraged to attend, welcoming Mike and supporting the Mowrystown congregation.

Presbyterians are invited to "**Cookies Coffee and Conversation**" on Wednesday, February 27 from 3-6PM at the Presbytery Office, to thank our General Presbyter for her service among us, and support her with our prayers as she departs.