



DAILY *Horizons*

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Welcome From the Chair

On behalf of PW's national board and the Churchwide Gathering planners, I am honored to welcome you to Louisville, Kentucky, for the 2018 Churchwide Gathering of Presbyterian Women!

We will center ourselves around the theme "Arise, Shine, Your Light Has Come!" based on Isaiah 60:1. PW has been shining its light for 30 years (and for generations before that, in our predecessor groups). At the Gathering, we will celebrate our history, reflect on how we are living out PW's mission and plan for a rich and exciting future. Participating in the 2018 Gathering will give each of us the opportunity to share our ideas and interests while we worship, share fellowship, renew friendships and make new friends.

The beautiful Galt House, on the banks of the Ohio River, will house Gathering activities and provide lodging for those attending. Traditional activities such as worship, educational opportunities (workshops and forums), *Horizons* Bible study intros, local tours, a justice and peace march, and synod lunches are on the schedule, along with a variety of other activities to engage participants in fellowship and learning. The Gathering offers something for everyone!

I look forward to seeing you in Louisville!

Mary Martin
2018 Churchwide Gathering Chair

Seeing Yourself at the Gathering

Photographers, reporters, videographers, historians, scrapbookers and many others will be capturing Gathering moments. By being a part of this event, you may find your image, voice, feedback and quotes used in reporting or promotion. By attending and participating in the Gathering, you give Presbyterian Women in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), Inc., its affiliated institutions, related entities and ecumenical partners permission to use your image, voice, feedback and quotes on a perpetual, worldwide, irrevocable basis in any and all media including, but not limited to, websites, print, cable and broadcast media, without submission or resubmission to you for approval. You understand that third parties accessing web pages can download your image, voice and quotes, and you release Presbyterian Women in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), Inc., its affiliated institutions, related entities and ecumenical partners from any liability to you, your heirs or your assigns in connection with or arising out of such downloading by third parties.

Don't forget to watch for Gathering coverage on www.presbyterianwomen.org, Facebook, Twitter (#PWGathering and #2018ChurchwideGathering) and in the November/December 2018 issue of *Horizons*.



BEFORE YOU ARRIVE

Some elements of the Gathering require advance registration or planning. Be sure to make arrangements for these things in advance of your arrival in Louisville.

Gathering Logo Wear



In an age of customization, even your Gathering t-shirt (or scarf, bag or other item!) can be custom-made! Presbyterian Women has created the “Arise, shine, your light has come!” logo (and a few variations on the sunflower) for download.

Go to www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering and download the Gathering-inspired logos (black-and-white or color versions available), then let a local screen printer work some magic on your custom logo item. Or create an iron-on transfer from your home computer! Add the logo to t-shirts, jackets, scarves, tote bags, hats, shawls, anything!

And don't forget to take and share pictures of the creation process! Post your pictures on Facebook and tag PresbyterianWomenPCUSA. Or email your photos with a short explanation (and as many names for the caption as you can provide) to yvonne.hileman@pcusa.org.

Packing List

What to Pack



- All registration materials received (including your

registration booklet and this issue of *Daily Horizons*!)

- A copy of your hotel confirmation and the street address of your hotel; the Galt House address is 140 N. Fourth St., Louisville, KY 40202.
 - Casual clothes and comfortable walking shoes (and don't forget a sweater for chilly conference rooms!)
 - Shirts to wear for the daily justice and peace themes:
 - o Thursday, August 2—a black shirt for Thursdays in Black, part of a World Council of Churches effort to raise awareness about violence against women
 - o Friday, August 3—a PW shirt (of any color) in support of the Stepping Out for Justice and Peace March (See “Stepping Out for Justice and Peace,” p. 7.)
 - o Saturday, August 4—a green shirt for PW's Creation Care observance
- Go to www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering for a link to downloadable logos to make your own shirts for these daily themes.

- Accessories or clothing from your favorite decade (of the last 10 or so) for the Saturday night banquet! (See “Saturday Night Lively!” p. 7.)

- Medical insurance card and all necessary medications, including over-the-counter medications
- Camera (Note: flash photography is not permitted during plenary sessions.)
- Clearly and creatively marked luggage for instant identification (Note: bring only as much luggage as you can manage by yourself.)
- Your favorite tote bag, backpack or purse in which to carry your Gathering registration book and other materials.
- Current government-issued photo identification (required to board all commercial aircraft)
- Target, Walmart, CVS or Walgreens gift cards in \$10 increments (See “One Small Gift [Card!]” on p. 3.)
- Reusable water bottle
- Mission scrapbook page(s) (See p 3.)
- Cash for tips, for Cents-ability and for other giving opportunities, as well as your credit or debit card for shopping and dining

What to Leave at Home

- Anything of monetary or sentimental value that cannot be replaced
- A copy of your travel plans

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- A copy of the number for your hotel and the name under which your room is booked
 - o Galt House—502/589-5200

One Small Gift (Card!)

Consider bringing a \$10 prepaid Target, Walmart, CVS or Walgreens gift card to the Gathering. Should you wish to donate more than \$10, please purchase additional gift cards in the amount of \$10 each. Consider offering to collect gift cards from women in your circle who are not attending the Gathering—it's an easy way to participate in Gathering programming!

The gift cards will be distributed to the following three organizations:

- The D.I.A.P.E.R. Project (Diapering Infants and Providing Emergency Resources), Charlestown, Indiana

This ministry provides diapers, nutritious food and first-aid supplies to families (with infants or small children) who are struggling financially.

- Kentucky Refugee Ministries, Inc. (KRM), Louisville, Kentucky

KRM, established with the assistance of Presbyterian Women, provides resettlement services to refugees through faith- and agency-based co-sponsorship. KRM connects refugees with community resources and opportunities that promote self-sufficiency and successful integration into the community.

- Lily's Place, Huntington, West Virginia

Lily's Place provides medical care to infants suffering from neonatal abstinence syndrome (NAS) and offers nonjudgmental support, education and counseling services to families and caregivers.

Drop off your gift cards at Gathering registration check-in.

Mission Scrapbook Project

Many of us studied the PW/*Horizons*



Bible study, *Cloud of Witnesses: The Community of Christ in Hebrews*, and enjoyed reflecting on who and what have shaped our faith journeys. As we move into our 30th year of being Presbyterian Women, let's honor who and what have shaped our 30-year history and our vision for the next 30 years!

Create a 12" x 12" scrapbook page that highlights a key person or moment in PW mission in your congregation, presbytery and/or synod. If no single leader comes to mind, your entire circle or group could be highlighted! Bring the page to the Gathering and add it to the display on the wall outside the Willis and Clement Rooms (second floor of the Galt House's Suite Tower). Supplies will be available for you to attach your pages to the display. The pages can be picked up following the celebration dinner on Saturday. Pages left behind will not be mailed.

Wheelchair Rentals

The Galt House is accessible by wheelchair. To rent a wheelchair

or motorized scooter, contact Scootaround, 888/441-7575, prior to arriving, and arrange for delivery in your name to the Galt House (or the hotel at which you are staying). You are responsible for making these arrangements and for rental payment.

Synod Lunches



The following synods will host synod lunches on Saturday, August 4, 12–1:30 PM at the Galt House:

- Synod of Alaska-Northwest
- Synod of the Covenant
- Synod of Lakes and Prairies
- Synod of Lincoln Trails
- Synod of Living Waters
- Synod of Mid-America
- Synod of the Northeast
- Synod of the Pacific
- Synod of the Rocky Mountains
- Synod of Southern California and Hawaii
- Synod of the Southwest
- Synod of the Sun
- Synod of the Trinity

If you have not already purchased a ticket for your synod lunch, tickets will be available at Gathering registration through 6 PM on Thursday, August 2.

PW in the Synod of Mid-Atlantic will take a group photo (location to be announced).

PW in the Synod of Boriquén (Puerto Rico) and Synod of South Atlantic will have synod lunches off-site on Saturday, August 4.

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Gathering attendees from these synods should contact their PW in the Presbytery moderators for more information.

You may register for another synod's lunch.

Calling Shutterbugs and Roving Reporters!

There's so much happening at the Gathering, we'll need a bevy of volunteer photographers and writers to help to document it all! If you're bringing a digital camera and would be willing to share your photos, please contact Laura Lee, laura.lee@pcusa.org or 844/797-2872, ext. 5400. If you're interested in writing short articles (less than 400 words) about Gathering events, please contact Sharon Dunne Gillies, sharon.gillies@pcusa.org or 844/PW-PCUSA 844/797-2872, ext. 5688.



PDA Training

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is offering training for Presbyterian Women to become disaster preparedness trainers. PW disaster preparedness trainers are expected to organize and conduct a minimum of three disaster preparedness trainings a year, sharing the basics of disaster preparedness with congregations in their presbyteries. The training will be held on Wednesday, August 1, 2018, 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM and is open to all interested PW. PDA will pay for two nights of lodging;

July 31 and August 1. All meals on August 1 will be provided.

Download the application and reference form from www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering. If you have previously submitted an application for a training that you were unable to attend, or for more information, contact Beth M. Snyder, 888/728-7228, ext. 5806, or beth.snyder@pcusa.org. Submit your application by July 1!

Ready, Set, Read!

If you haven't already read the books, borrow, buy or listen to these three great reads, selected with PW in mind.

- Thursday, August 2—*Change of Heart* by Jeanne Bishop (facilitated by Sue Nispel)
- Friday, August 3—*Little Fires Everywhere* by Celeste Ng (facilitated by Anne McKee)
- Saturday, August 4—*Strangers in Their Own Land* by Arlie Russell Hochschild (facilitated by Susan Imel)

Book groups will meet 5–5:45 PM.

Silent Auction

Once again, the Gathering will include a silent auction. Donate handmade crafts, one-of-a-kind experiences and other fun gems. All proceeds will benefit the Mission Pledge, PW's annual fund, which supports nearly every PW program.

Items should have a minimum value of \$25; remember, smaller items can be grouped into a basket.

Craft and artisan items are welcome. To arrange for your item to be included in the auction, download the silent auction form from www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering. You will be responsible for getting the item to Louisville and bringing it to the Exhibit Hall. To learn more about the silent auction, contact Judy Persons, jpcreatepw@gmail.com.

Volunteers Needed

We need you! It will take many volunteers to help support the thousands of women and men who are expected for the Gathering. We need your hands and feet—celebration party decorators, mission tour ticket takers, workshop hostesses, plenary ushers, communion servers and translation equipment assistants, among others. If you have not already signed up to volunteer, contact Beth Snyder, 812/569-4857 or beth.snyder@pcusa.org or Bevin Snyder, 812/525-1186, bevin.kasey15@gmail.com.

Going on a Gathering Quest!

If you are not receiving Gathering Quest emails on the 30th of each month (from Presbyterian Women, Inc.), contact Patricia Longfellow, patricia.longfellow@pcusa.org, and ask to be added to the list. This is the easiest way to receive updates, reminders and changes about the Churchwide Gathering.

AFTER YOU ARRIVE—HOUSING

Gathering Facilities

Gathering programming is being held at the Galt House (except for optional tours and the justice and peace march). A map of the Galt House will be in the program book, which you'll receive when you check in at Gathering registration. Here are a few tidbits to orient you to the Galt House (until you have your program book in hand):

- The Galt House has two towers—Rivue Tower (west) and Suite Tower (east).
- The towers are connected by a pedway, accessed on the third floor.
- Galt House check-ins and -outs are on the first floor of Suite Tower.
- Most sleeping rooms are in Rivue Tower.
- Meeting rooms will be in both Rivue and Suite Towers.
- Rivue Tower meeting rooms are named for flowers (second floor) or trees (third floor), except for Archibald, Cochran and Addition (to keep you on your toes)!
- Suite Tower meeting rooms are named for people, mostly Kentucky governors, for you history and crossword enthusiasts!

Finding Your Hotel from the Louisville Airport

There are a number of economical options for getting from the airport to your hotel.



- Reserve a shuttle through Xtreme Transportation. For pricing or to book, call 812/218-5600 (please note the new number since publication of the registration booklet!) or email galthouseshuttle@xtremetransportation.com. (You may book your return to the airport at the transportation desk in the lobby of the Galt House, or book it at the same time that you arrange your arrival shuttle.) The shuttle is \$15 one way and \$25 round trip. Private car service is available upon request; additional charges apply.
- Taxis will be available (or may be arranged) at the airport. The

approximate cost for a taxi from the airport to the Galt House is \$28 for up to four people.

- Lyft and Uber services are widely available. The approximate cost for these services from the airport to the Galt House is \$13 for up to four people.

Galt House Vouchers

If you reserved a room at the Galt House, make sure that the names of all occupants are on the room reservation. Every person staying at the Galt House will receive three \$5 vouchers, good toward the purchase of food and non-alcoholic beverages at the Galt House. These vouchers will be with your Gathering registration materials.

Hotel Finances

To avoid duplicate or mixed charges, check hotel bills the night before checkout, then again at checkout. Work with your

roommate and the front desk to be sure bills are accurate—i.e., charges are billed to the appropriate roommate and that no additional credit card charges appear. Keep a copy of your receipt to check against your credit card statement.

Parking

If you drive to Louisville or rent a car upon arrival, don't forget to budget money for parking your car. Parking rates at the Galt House for Galt House overnight guests are \$10 per day for self parking or \$28 per day for valet parking, both subject to change. If you do not plan to stay at the Galt House, rates are higher.

Helpful Tip

PW suggests that a \$2 per person tip be left each morning for hotel housekeeping services. Women provide most of these helpful services and often work for minimal wages.

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Gathering Check-in and Registration

Gathering check-in is separate from hotel check-in, even if you stay at the Galt House.

Go to the second floor of the Suite Tower in the Galt House to check-in or register onsite for the Gathering. This is where you will pick up your name tag, program book and other event registration materials.

Gathering registration will be open 11 AM–6 PM on Thursday, August 2, and Friday, August 3; and 11 AM–5 PM on Saturday, August 4.

Bring your gift cards, scrapbook page(s) and silent auction donation(s) when you register. You'll drop off the gift cards at registration; then go just around the corner to drop off your scrapbook pages and silent auction donations! contacted by the end of May.

Gathering Extras Pick-up

If you ordered a Gathering tote bag or a PW-logo water bottle, tickets for these items will be included with the materials you receive at Gathering registration.

If you registered before May 1, you will receive a ticket for a limited-edition Gathering pin.

If you were one of the first 800 to register, you will receive a ticket for a free copy of *Bound Together in Love*.

Take these tickets out of your registration materials and turn them in at the designated area at Gathering check-in/registration.

Gathering Orientation

As a first-time attendee or as a seasoned Gathering participant, you will have an opportunity to learn important information that will make your Gathering experience more informed and enjoyable. Bring your program book and get the details on everything you'll want to know, from meals to plenary sessions, workshops to free time, and much more. Orientation will be held on the first day of the Gathering, Thursday, August 2, at 4 PM in Cochran Overflow (Rivue Tower, third floor).

Information Centers

Are you lost? Confused? Do you need questions answered about the wheres and whens of the Gathering?

On Thursday, August 2, 11 AM–6 PM, go to the Gathering registration/check-in area (Suite Tower, second floor).

On Friday, August 3 and on Saturday, August 4, 11 AM–5 PM, go to the Gathering Office (Collins Room, Suite Tower, second floor).

Business Meeting

The 2018 Business Meeting will be held just before the Gathering. More than 200 voting representatives from across the country will receive reports from the 2015–2018 triennium, adopt the 2018–2021 national budget, elect new PW, Inc., board members, meet and hear greetings from PC(USA) and

ecumenical partners and more. The Business Meeting is open to all observers and will be held in the Archibald Room (Rivue Tower, third floor) Wednesday, August 1, 7–9 PM and Thursday, August 2, 9 AM–5 PM. Business Meeting highlights will be published at www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering.

Volunteers

Volunteers should check in at the Gathering registration desk. Volunteer check-in will be open 11 AM–6 PM on Thursday, August 2, and Friday, August 3; and 11 AM–5 PM on Saturday, August 4.

Thank you for volunteering to serve Communion! Those selected to serve Communion will be contacted by the end of June.

Taking the Tours

If you're registered for Mission Tour A (Thursday, August 2) or B (Friday, August 3), transportation has been arranged. Gather in the lobby of the Galt House Suite Tower at 12:50 PM to ride the bus.

If you're registered for a tour of the Presbyterian Center, budget 15–20 minutes to walk from the Galt House to the Center and sign in. Wait at the Washington Street security desk in the lobby.

Cents-Ability



Sharing in Jesus' name is the reason Presbyterian Women support the Presbyterian Hunger

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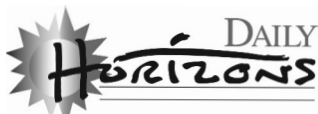
Program and Cents-Ability. At each meal during the Gathering, look for Cents-Ability banks on the tables in the dining hall. Deposit your spare change as thanksgiving for what you have, and offer a prayer for those who are in need.

Meals and Dining

Breakfasts are on your own, as are dinner on Friday and lunch on Saturday. There are a variety of options in the Galt House and a number of restaurants and food trucks within walking distance.



Daily Horizons



This is your first issue of the daily Gathering newspaper. Bring this issue with you to help orient you when you arrive.

Additional issues will be published during the Gathering. Newsstands will be located outside plenary and outside the Archibald Cochran Ballroom (Rivue Tower, third floor). The issues printed during the Gathering will also be available as downloads. During the Gathering, please be a good steward of these hot commodities and take only one copy, knowing you can download later and share with as many people as you'd like!

Programs at the Gathering

Once you pick up your program book, take a few moments to

acquaint yourself with the schedule, programming list and maps. You'll want to start planning your visits to the Exhibit Hall, Spirituality Center, Bookstore, exercise classes and much more!

Saturday Night Lively!



You don't want to miss our 30th Anniversary Banquet—a delicious dinner with a flashback of Presbyterian Women's first 30 years (and the 200 years prior!) of Presbyterian women's witness in the world! There will be skits, videos, games and fun for all. Wear fashions from the past, whether from the 1800s, the roaring 20s, the groovy 60s, or even a timeless PW t-shirt. Photo booths will be available to capture your couture!

Stepping Out for Justice and Peace March

The theme for the Stepping Out for Justice and Peace March on August 3 is "Ninth Street Divide," addressing segregation and racism in Louisville, Kentucky, and around the country. Ninth Street marks a de facto division between the east, predominantly white, part of Louisville and the west, predominantly African American, part of Louisville. A number of programs and practices (redlining, urban renewal, blockbusting) contributed to and maintained racial segregation and income inequality between the

east and west sides of town. This march with local and national leaders will give voice to concerns of residents who continue to endure discrimination and income inequality.

The march will leave from the Galt House's Rivue lobby. If you are in a workshop until 4:45, you will want to head directly to the west lobby. Wear comfortable shoes and bring your water bottle! Route maps will be provided. Make a placard ahead of time or pick up one on site. The march will take approximately 90 minutes from gathering time (4:45 PM) to return (6:15 PM). The march will leave the Galt House promptly at 5 PM and will pause briefly at Ninth and again at the Muhammad Ali Center (approximately 6 PM). Dinner is on your own that evening, so plan accordingly. Route maps will suggest places to eat near the route.

Engage with Presbyterian Women

Well, engagement with PW will happen everywhere during the Gathering! But be sure to visit Presbyterian Women's space in the Exhibit Hall (Suite Tower, second floor). Come to learn about all the ways that PW is involved with leadership development, mission, justice work and peacemaking worldwide. Celebrate the many ways that Presbyterian Women and our partners engage in ministry throughout the United States and the world.

While you're there, honor someone you know with an Honorary

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Life Membership, engage in a bit of advocacy, pick up some free resources or engage in conversation with your churchwide leaders. Check on your subscription to *Horizons* (or subscribe!), and find out where you can read and hear more from your favorite magazine and Bible study authors. Learn more about all your national programming in the PW space!

Special Offerings Event

Join Special Offerings for an evening of fun activities with Jerry Can! This free children's curriculum is designed to give kids (and adults) a way to respond to natural disasters around the world and learn more about the role of clean water in response efforts. You'll learn about this, and many other exciting ministries of the whole church and how to share them with your congregation.

Visit the Special Offerings booth in the Exhibit Hall to sign up for this Friday evening limited-seating event! Dinner will be served.

Shopping at the Gathering

The Presbyterian Bookstore will have an array of PW and PC(USA) resources for sale. The Bookstore is located in the Combs/Chandler Room (Suite Tower, second floor).

The Global Marketplace will sell a variety of fair trade items, including crafts, artisan items and edibles! Visit them in the Exhibit Hall (Suite Tower, second floor).

STITCH, the sewing program of Kentucky Refugee Ministries (and the hands behind the embellishment

of the Gathering tote bags), will have a table set up near Gathering registration/check-in (Suite Tower, second floor) on Thursday, August 2, 2–4 PM. Come to say hello and shop!

And don't forget to shop the silent auction in the Exhibit Hall! Items are available for viewing and bidding 11 AM–6 PM on Thursday and Friday, and 11 AM–3:30 PM

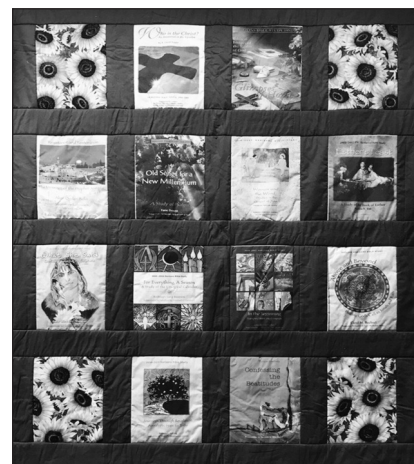


on Saturday. All sales benefit the Mission Pledge, PW's annual fund.

Ship It!



Whether you're wondering how to ship home your Silent Auction treasures, a souvenir Louisville Slugger baseball bat or resources from the Presbyterian Bookstore, the UPS store at the Galt House can help! Located on the second floor of Suite Tower, this UPS location is offering 5–15% off packing and shipping fees. Just show your Gathering name tag!



The images pictured above are but just a sampling of the many items you will find available in the PW's Silent Auction at the Gathering!