

The Link – March 2024

A Presbytery of London Newsletter for Sessions & Congregations

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The Presbytery of London met over zoom on Tuesday March 12th 2024 at 7pm. Opening worship was led by Rev. Herb Hilder and Rev. Katharine Michie. Below are a few highlights of our meeting!

Announcements:



Save The Date! **Friday May 10, 2024** - Women's Missionary Society welcomes **Dr. Priya John**, Director of the Christian Medical Association of India, and **Shimy Mathew**, Secretary, Nurses League CMAI for lunch, worship and conversation at New St. James PC. Come join us!!



Representatives of **Knox College** are coming to speak to our Presbytery on **Saturday March 16, 7 pm**, at Fingal PC. They will be speaking of the opportunities available in their new program on Lifelong Learning. Of special interest is their programs to help lay people preach and lead worship, something that our rural churches need. Refreshments to be served. RSVP to gordbrown48@rogers.com.

The Business Team Report:

- There is a need to fill an additional elder commissioner to General Assembly. This year's General Assembly commences on Sunday June 2 and will be held at Laurier University in Waterloo.
- The deadline to submit the 2023 Congregational statistical reports is April 15th, 2024. Instructions on filling out the form can be found at <https://presbyterian.ca/resources/finance/>.
- We welcome Rev. Katharine Michie and Rev. Herb Hilder as equalizing ministers.
- The Congregation Team is seeking one new member and the Refugee Team is seeking at least two more members. Please prayerfully consider how you may serve with your talents.

Ministry Team Report:

The Ministry Team presented a written report without recommendations.

Congregation Team Report:

The Congregation Team is currently seeking a convener for this important committee.

Report of the General Presbyter: For the last few years, the presbytery has employed a part-time clergyperson, Rev. Jim Patterson. Rev Jim has provided leadership and guidance to the congregations who are not able to call a clergyperson. A written report from Rev. Jim was received. Good ideas were shared on filling pulpit supply given the current circumstances and further conversations are encouraged.

Vacancies in the presbytery: Reports on the following churches which are without a permanent minister (and not under the care of the General Presbyter) were received: Trinity Church, Caradoc Church, Burns Church, Knox-St. Andrew's Church.

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Did you know? Webinars provided by the PCC can be found on their website at <https://presbyterian.ca/leadership-webinars/>. These webinars cover many topics from a variety of teams including

- Canadian Ministries
- Communications
- International
- Justice
- Leadership & Renewal
- Leading with Care
- Ministry and Church Vocations
- Money Matters: Building Financial Sustainability
- Stewardship & Planned Giving
- Treasurers

Please pray for...

- Rev. Shelly Butterfield Kocis
- Congregations who are in the midst of a vacancy

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A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



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because I know whom I have believed, and am convinced that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him for that day.

- 2 TIMOTHY 1:12 NIV