

From the Executive Conference Minister, Katherine Jameson Pitts

ONLINE ANNUAL MEETING 2021:

August 21, 2021, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Pacific Daylight Time (8-11 ADT/10-1 MDT)

The agenda will include: Worship State of the Conference Reporting Voting on Ballot for new Board and Gifts Discernment Committee members Sharing from congregations Reporting from Healthy Congregation Grant Recipients Break out group sharing.



The Annual Meeting theme is "Love will lead us home". As I have talked with you and with our board about what life looks like for churches post-pandemic, I have felt like we are all feeling our way along. The phrase "Love will lead us home" came to me and when I searched for it or something like it online I didn't find a song like I was expecting to, but rather a verse from Exodus 15: 13 (NLT) *"With your unfailing love you lead the people you have redeemed. In your might, you guide them to your sacred home."* Technically it is from a song -- a hymn of deliverance as God's people fled from Egypt and God began to guide them through the wilderness. The past 15 months surely have felt like the wilderness on many days. We trust that our God leads us with unfailing love, toward the place that lies ahead. A place where we will continue to grow in knowing, loving, and serving our God, our church family, and our neighbors. A place that is our sacred home.

We always love to have every congregation represented. Churches are invited to register delegates up to 1 per 25 members. Others who interested in the life of PNMC may also register to attend but may not vote. We need all to register so we can be sure to have enough access. Registration and information <u>here</u>.

Pray for one another...

From the Calvary and Roca de Salvación congregations: We praise the Lord that we are back to in-person services together with ROS. There are still quite a few that prefer to stay home and do church on Zoom, but more people are coming back each week. We are planning an outdoor service on the 4th of July (a Sunday) followed by a bbq and potluck. We thank you for your prayers for our congregations as we continue to "open up" for ministry for the Lord.

CONGREGATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRIES

Listed chronologically, then alphabetically by organization

Zion Mennonite Church

We are glad to welcome **Steve Bomar as the new Lead Pastor at Zion Mennonite Church**. Steve was installed **June 13, 2021**. Steve, his wife Anne, and their two sons will be looking for a new home in the Hubbard/Canby area. Currently, they live in Salem where Steve has been serving as Discipleship and Worship Pastor at Salem First Nazarene Church. Steve attended Fresno Pacific Seminary, where he found a theological home in Anabaptism. In addition to his M.Div., Steve also holds a doctorate in Worship Arts. *Welcome to PNMC, Steve*!

Upcoming e-Bulletins:

July 5 (submissions due by 6/28) Aug 2 (submissions due by 7/26) Aug 16 (submissions due by 8/9) Sept 6 (submissions due by 8/30) If you would like to contribute, please send a **brief announcement** in Spanish & English with website links to <u>brenda@pnmc.org</u>. Our goal is to provide a valuable resource, not an In-Box jammer. If space is tight, we may omit announcements that are not as pertinent to PNMC. Announcements will run ONE time only, unless specified otherwise. *We welcome your feedback!*

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