

**PRESBYTERY OF BOISE
&
PRESBYTERY OF KENDALL
STATED MEETING
March 1, 2025
Zoom**

(The Stated Clerks must receive all miscellaneous, new business, *in writing*, not later than 9:00 am)

CELEBRATING GOD’S FAITHFULNESS

9:30 am Zoom room opens; reminder to gather communion elements

Meeting called to order; declaration of a quorum, opening prayer
Welcome and explanation of how we will proceed jointly (voting, seeking recognition)
Melissa Norton & TJ Remaley

Consent Agendas (p. 3)

CALLED BY NAME TO MISSION & MINISTRY

10:10 Scripture reading: Isaiah 43:1 Jackie Benjamin

Called to be God’s Church: conversation about the Episcopal-Presbyterian
Agreement on Local Sharing of Ministries with Bishop Jos. Tharakan,
Episcopal Diocese of Idaho
**Motion to approve the Episcopal-Presbyterian Agreement on Local
Sharing of Ministries**
Litany of Partnership in Ministry

10:35 Called to Service: installation of Susan Knights (Presbytery Moderator) and Ruth
Goldthwaite (Incoming Moderator) TJ Remaley

10:45 Called to Ministry of the Word & Sacrament: introduction of Mason Whitman to be
enrolled as an Inquirer in Kendall Presbytery Rick Spielman
Motion to enroll Mason Whitman as an Inquirer
Biographical statement
Prayer for discernment & encouragement Seth Wheeler

11:00 Scripture reading: Isaiah 43:2-3a Susan Knights
“Minute for Merger” Nathan Sobers & TJ Remaley
Break-Out Sessions: Fire & Flood Cathy Chisholm & Rachel Yates
Reflections

11:35	Camp Sawtooth Report	Kevin Dutcher
11:40	Call to Confession	Rachel Yates
	Kendall Presbytery Ethical Conduct Policy	Nathan Sobers
	Motion to adopt the Ethical Conduct Policy	
	Assurance of Pardon/Scripture reading: Isaiah 43:18-19	Rick Spielman
11:55	Kendall Bylaws Changes	Cathy Chisholm
	Motion to amend the bylaws as recommended by Council and approved by the Presbytery at the first reading	
Break		
12:15 pm	Communion	Nathan Sobers & TJ Remaley
	Sharing of Celebrations/Upcoming Events	
	Litany of Blessing	Susan Knights & Melissa Norton
12:40	Break Out Rooms for Presbyteries to Debate and Vote on Amendments & Any Other Business	
	Bills & Overture Committees	
	Motion to approve amendments 24-A to 24-L	
	Boise Presbytery Financial Management Committee	Andrew Kukla
	Charge & Benediction	
	Adjournment	

PRESBYTERY OF BOISE
CONSENT AGENDA
March 1, 2025

The following items appear to be matters that require no debate. Therefore, they are listed together and will be voted upon together as one motion. However, any presbyter may request that any item of business be removed from the consent agenda for individual consideration.

The Stated Clerk moves the Presbytery of Boise:

1. To record the business meeting of the Presbytery for purposes of drafting the written minutes that, when approved, will become the official record of the business of this meeting. The recording will not be retained after the draft minutes are prepared;
2. To approve the minutes of the stated meeting of November 2, 2024;
3. To approve the agenda of the stated meeting of March 1, 2025 (pp. 1-2);
4. To receive the following written reports; any motions in them will be taken up separately:
 - A. Transitional Presbyter/Stated Clerk report (p. 4)
 - B. COM report (p. 5)
 - C. Merger Coordination Task Group report (pp. 6-7)
 - D. Recommendations of the Bills & Overtures Committee (pp. 8-9)
 - E. Financial Management Committee report and budget (pp. 10-14)
 - F. Presbyterian Women in the Boise Presbytery report (p. 15)
7. To approve the following stated Presbytery meeting dates of June 5, 2025, and August 23, 2025, as joint meetings with Kendall Presbytery.
8. To commission Randy Marshall to moderate Session and congregational meetings and preside at the Lord's Table at King Hill Community Presbyterian Church, to commission Shana Woodbury to administer the Sacraments at Idaho Home Health & Hospice, and to grant a commission to Rachel Yates to preside at the Lord's Table and to moderate Session or congregational meetings within the Presbytery.
9. To amend the bylaws of the Presbytery of Boise to reduce the required number of **stated** meetings from four to three, to be consistent with Kendall Presbytery.
10. To give voice to all commissioners and minister members of the Kendall Presbytery who are attending the March 1, 2025 meeting.

Transitional Presbyter/Stated Clerk Report

March 1, 2025

It has been a privilege to represent the Presbytery since our last meeting. This includes ecumenical and denominational conversations, including a conversation about strengthening our camp and conference ministries in Idaho and building a vibrant ministry on the BSU campus (now called Sophia's Table). I am grateful for the board leadership of Presbytery members who sustain those ministries on an ongoing basis.

The work toward merger with Kendall Presbytery is a primary focus of my time. The Merger Coordination Task Group, made of people from both presbyteries, has been meeting regularly to identify the values that will guide our collective efforts and to form the working teams that will dive into the details needed for the Plan of Merger. The task group is still hoping that the Plan of Merger can come to the presbyteries for consideration at our joint meeting on August 23. Because this Plan constitutes the Synod of the Pacific's request to the General Assembly for our merger, we look forward to learning from the Synod what they need from us in that Plan and consulting with them on an ongoing basis, to take advantage of their experience in other presbytery mergers. If all is in order, the Synod will consider the Plan at its October assembly.

As approved by the Presbytery in November 2024, my employment is now officially with the Presbytery of Boise (instead of the Synod of the Pacific). That has resulted in changes to our payroll and benefits systems, which our treasurer, Caroline Kukla, has been navigating diligently. This change would have been required in 2026 by the Synod, so we are ahead of schedule.

All but one congregation has submitted its annual statistical report. The last will be completed before the deadline; the delay is due to a change in the Clerk of Session and the need for additional record gathering and training.

We have insurance through The Insurance Fund, like many of our congregations. We were advised that premiums would be adjusted based on answers to a questionnaire about our policies for the protection of children, youth, and vulnerable adults. Because our policy is not reviewed every 3 years by an attorney, the insurance cost was increased slightly. We have engaged Rick Smith, Hawley Troxell attorney and Covenant member to conduct a review of our policy and that of any of our congregations. Please send your policy to me, if you would like this review, no later than March 31.

Upon review of our parity requirements and the number of minister members, no change need be made to our Rule for Parity in our bylaws.

Rachel Yates, Transitional Presbyter/Stated Clerk
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Committee on Ministry Report
March 1, 2025

At the end of last year, COM evaluated all commissioned pastors. It also recently considered the limited commission given to Rachel Yates to serve communion. COM now recommends that a commission to preside at the Lord's Table and to moderate Session and congregational meetings be given to Randy Marshall for King Hill and to Rachel Yates for ministries within the bounds of the presbytery, and a commission be given to Shana Woodbury (Idaho Home Health & Hospice) to administer the Sacraments within that ministry.

We have met twice with the leadership of Kendall Presbytery and will continue to do that throughout the year, as we plan for the merger.

At a congregational meeting on January 26, Church of the Redeemer in Weiser voted to request that COM work with them to help discern its future. We are pleased to walk alongside the congregation as it looks at its finances, membership, and ministry opportunities. A team comprised of Kevin Starcher, Lindy High, Sara Berkowitz, and Rachel Yates will be working with the church.

Submitted,

JoAnn Thiry, COM Chair

Merger Coordination Task Group
Boise and Kendall Presbyteries
March 1, 2025

The Merger Coordination Task Group for Boise and Kendall Presbyteries continues to meet by Zoom biweekly for one hour. The 2024 Moderators of each presbytery alternate as meeting moderators, assisted by their respective Transitional Presbyter/Stated Clerk.

In order to address the list of tasks to create and implement a plan of merger, we are forming subgroups to deal with specific topics. Members of the MCTG are part of these teams, with additional persons from throughout each presbytery invited to participate. These teams are

Legal

Policy

Community Building

Communications

Finance (the committees responsible for finance and budget in each presbytery are scheduled to meet together in late February)

Presbytery Meeting Planning Team (this group met to plan the joint March 1 meeting)

Committee on Ministry/Preparation for Ministry (the committees have already met together twice and begun to discuss common concerns)

Nominating, Personnel (to begin work after decisions about organization/structure)

Our first in-person gathering was in Twin Falls on February 17. The retreat was facilitated by Mennonite pastor and consultant Craig Morton. He introduced the practice of Dwelling in the Word as an aid to discernment, using our guiding scripture of **Isaiah 43:1-3b, 18-19** (NRSVUE).

43:1 But now thus says the Lord,

he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel:

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are mine.

2 When you pass through the waters, I will be with you,

and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;

when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,

and the flame shall not consume you.

3 For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

18 Do not remember the former things or consider the things of old.

19 I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth; do you not perceive it?

I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.

We agreed to embrace the third paragraph of G-3.0301 as another text that is foundational to develop the identity, vision, and mission of this new presbytery:

The presbytery is responsible for the government of the church throughout its district, and for assisting and supporting the witness of congregations to the sovereign activity of God in the world, so that all congregations become communities of faith, hope, love, and witness. As it leads and guides the witness of its congregations, the presbytery shall keep before it the marks of the Church (F-1.0302), the notes by which Presbyterian and Reformed communities have identified themselves through history (F-1.0303) and the six Great Ends of the Church (F-1.0304).

Morton invited us to embrace a seeking spirit, asking: What is the future we feel called to create? What is the core work we must do to get there? Who are we becoming as we faithfully respond to God's call? Discernment requires listening to each other as well as listening to voices we don't usually listen to.

As a starting point for continuing discernment, the following is our perspective of the retreat discussions. We expect to revisit our understandings of vision, mission, and identity and to revise these statements as we work to create a plan for merger:

Vision: The congregations of the Presbytery will be healthy communities of faith, hope, love, and witness.

Mission: The Presbytery will be a trustworthy, supportive partner for our congregations and minister members.

Strategies/Tactics:

- helping congregations discern God's sovereign action in their midst and their calling in response
- listening and being present
- "leading and guiding" from the Book of Order
- adhering to our values of connection, inclusion, accessibility, and abundant life
- creating opportunities for and encouraging connection

The 2025 Moderators, Susan Knights and Melissa Norton, are contacting congregations to schedule dates to visit each church in their presbytery, requesting an opportunity to update them on the work of the Merger Coordination Task Group and to invite questions and conversation.

Bills & Overtures Committee

March 1, 2025

The Presbytery is asked to vote on amendments to our Book of Order, recommended by the 226th General Assembly. The Bills & Overtures Committee (Audra Dooley, Shana Woodbury, and TJ Remaley) has reviewed the proposed amendments and **moves approval on all amendments**, as well as the proposed Episcopal-Presbyterian Agreement on the Sharing of Local Ministries.

(Full text is available with meeting papers)

NUMBER	BOO SECTION	SUMMARY
		Denominational Matters
24-I	G-3.0302d	Eliminates the need for a concurrence from another presbytery to have business brought before GA
24-J	G-3.0501	Revises the formula for determining the number of commissioners presbyteries may send to GA
24-B	G-1.0104	Adds guidelines for other forms of corporate witness (New Worshiping Communities, Immigrant Fellowships etc.) within an adaptable framework rooted in Reformed polity.
24-M		Episcopal-Presbyterian Agreement on Local Sharing of Ministries
		Protections within the Church
24-A	F-1.0403	The categories <i>gender identity, sexual orientation</i> , be included as protected classes in the Unity in Diversity section of Foundations of Presbyterian Polity
24-C	G-2.0104b	Adds Historic Principles of Church Order (F-3.01) and principles of participation and representation (F-1.0403) to required areas for examination for ordination.
24-F	G-2.0601	Confidential details about a candidate for ministry should be omitted in communicating to the presbytery the need for the approval of alternate means to determine readiness for ministry in areas usually covered by ordination exams
24-H	G-3-0106	Adds <i>and adults with vulnerabilities</i> to required child and youth protection policy

24-K	D-7.0501	Makes explicit that, when an allegation of offense is made to a clerk of session or stated clerk, reporting to civil authorities in G-4.0302 must be followed
		Pastoral Relations
24-D	G-2.0504b	Lengthens maximum terms of service for temporary pastoral relationships from 12 months to 36 months
24-E	G-2.0504b	Prohibits non-disclosure agreements at the end of a temporary pastoral relationship
24-G	G-0901	Prohibits non-disclosure agreements when an installed pastoral relationship is dissolved
24-L	D-7.0902b	Mandates that administrative leave be paid leave

Presbytery of Boise – Financial Management Committee

March 1, 2025

The Committee reviewed year-end financial which came very close to budget with the sole exception of the unexpected back payment of \$17,000 to the Synod. We would have actually run a positive budget if not for that retroactive back payment for the 2023 budget year. Many thanks to generous congregation support in the month of December that got us over this finish line. Continued thanks also goes out to the the individual Presbytery members who have continued to give monthly as part of our new initiative for individual pledging members of the Presbytery.

This is a great moment to remind folks that we have a robust and easy-to-use giving portal on the Presbytery website. Donations can be made to the Presbytery as well as Camp Sawtooth and Sophia's Table (the Boise State Student Ministry). You can also easily set-up monthly giving through the portal. Thank you to those who have partnered in ministry with Boise Presbytery in this way!

We are excited to say that we more than met the Presbytery's challenge to match \$5,000 to support Presbyterian Disaster Assistance wildfire support for the Los Angeles County fires. As of this moment \$10,000 of congregational support has come in from Bethany, Covenant, and First – Boise in addition to the \$5,000 the Presbytery put up to match those efforts. We will continue our joint efforts through the end of the month and encourage all our congregation to join the effort!

The Financial Management Committee had our first meeting with some of the members of Kendall Presbytery as we begin to brainstorm how to work towards merged financing in the new Presbytery when our plan of merger is approved by the Synod/General Assembly. Exciting times!

Finally, the Committee is pleased to announce the General Assembly has provided a grant of \$2000 toward Sophia's Table to be used for programmatic expenses.

Presbytery of Boise	
Balance Sheet (With Emmett)	
As of December 31, 2024	
	Total
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
1000 Idaho Central Credit Union	1,501.28
1002 ICCU CD Acct 5688	232,000.00
1020 Synod Custodial Fund 991	253,792.86
Emmett Church checking	4,947.25
Emmett Church ICCU 6 month CD 4.8%	76,804.93
Emmett Church ICCU CD ending 3518	82,199.00
Emmett Church Synod Demand Account 1218	333,839.18
Total Bank Accounts	\$ 985,084.50
Other Current Assets	
1100 PRESBYTERY SUPPORT FUND-PBY OF	325.36
1200 Prepaid Assets	
1201 Prepaid Per Capita	0.00
1202 Prepaid Expense	1,954.25
Total 1200 Prepaid Assets	\$ 1,954.25
1310 Small Loans to Churches	1,179.57
1400 Investment Income Due	4,191.90
Emmett Church Accrued Interest Income Due	2,139.51
1800 Uncategorized Asset	102.23
Total Other Current Assets	\$ 9,892.82
Total Current Assets	\$ 994,977.32
Accounts Receivable	
Account Receivable Building	481,651.83
Total Accounts Receivable	\$ 481,651.83
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,476,629.15
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	

2100 Liability due to Synod	(4,827.63)
2200 DESIGNATED ACCOUNTS	
2210 Church Emergency Fund	20,000.00
2220 New Church Development 501.1	11,646.50
2225 BSU Campus Ministry	1,428.30
2230 Peacemaking fund 1 709.1	3,358.44
2240 Presbytery Benevolence 601	7,206.73
2250 Presbytery Program	2,019.13
2260 Rachel Yates	405.64
2270 Seminary Loan Fund	5,000.00
2280 Youth Triennium	9,613.07
Total 2200 DESIGNATED ACCOUNTS	\$ 60,677.81
2300 Designated Online Giving Funds	
2310 Online Giving due Camp Sawtooth	225.00
Total 2300 Designated Online Giving Funds	\$ 225.00
2400 Mission Giving Funds Due to Others	
2401 Mission Giving Funds for Synod	60.00
2402 Mission Funds due to Presbyterian Mission Agency	60.00
Total 2400 Mission Giving Funds Due to Others	\$ 120.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	\$ 56,195.18
Total Current Liabilities	\$ 56,195.18
Long Term Liabilities	
Deferred Income	481,651.83
Total Long Term Liabilities	481,651.83
Total Liabilities	\$ 537,847.01
Equity	
Emmett Church Opening Balance Equity	28,219.37
3900 Retained Earnings	452,907.47
Emmett Church Retained Earnings	290,507.04
Net Income	(14,055.20)
Emmett Church Net Income	181,203.46
Total Equity	\$ 938,782.14
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$ 1,476,629.15

Presbytery of Boise					
Profit and Loss		Saved to this PC			
January - December, 2024					
	Total	Budget YTD	Difference	Full Year Budget	Budget Left
Income					
4000 Investment Income Int/Div	26,081.99	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 10,081.99	\$ 16,000.00	\$ (10,081.99)
4100 PER CAPITA INCOME					
4110 Per Capita Presbytery	\$ 34,620.00	\$ 34,590.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 34,590.00	\$ (30.00)
Total 4100 PER CAPITA INCOME	\$ 34,620.00	\$ 34,590.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 34,590.00	
4200 Synod of the Pacific					
4210 Synod of the Pacific Income					
4211 Synod Block Grant	\$ 46,065.97	\$ 46,066.00	\$ (0.03)	\$ 46,066.00	\$ 0.03
4212 Synod Congregation Mission Support	\$ 37,773.19	\$ 33,250.00	\$ 4,523.19	\$ 33,250.00	\$ (4,523.19)
Total 4210 Synod of the Pacific Income	\$ 83,839.16	\$ 79,316.00	\$ 4,523.16	\$ 79,316.00	
4220 Transitional Presbyter					
4221 Transitional Presbyter Compenstaion	\$(41,999.99)	\$(41,000.00)	\$ 999.99	\$ (41,000.00)	\$ 999.99
4222 Transitional Presbyter Board of Pensions	\$(33,953.82)	\$(29,383.00)	\$ 4,570.82	\$ (29,383.00)	\$ 4,570.82
Total 4220 Transitional Presbyter	\$(75,953.81)	\$(70,383.00)	\$ 5,570.81	\$ (70,383.00)	
Total 4200 Synod of the Pacific	\$ 7,885.35	\$ 8,933.00	\$ (1,047.65)	\$ 8,933.00	
4300 Local Mission Support Income	\$ 7,309.50	\$ -	\$ 7,309.50	\$ -	\$ (7,309.50)
4800 Pass Thru Income	\$ 10,914.36	\$ -	\$ 10,914.36	\$ -	\$ (10,914.36)
Total Income	\$ 86,811.20	\$ 59,523.00	\$ 27,288.20	\$ 59,523.00	
Gross Profit	\$ 86,811.20	\$ 59,523.00	\$ 27,288.20	\$ 59,523.00	\$ (27,288.20)
Expenses					
5000 MISSION SUPPORT					
5002 Church of the Redeemer	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -
5003 Homedale Support	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ -	\$ 2,400.00	\$ -
5004 King Hill Support	\$ 3,120.00	\$ 3,120.00	\$ -	\$ 3,120.00	\$ -
5005 Kirkpatrick Memorial	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ -
5007 Next Chapter Food Pantry	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -
Total 5000 MISSION SUPPORT	\$ 11,020.00	\$ 11,020.00	\$ -	\$ 11,020.00	
5100 Mission Partner					
5101 Camp Sawtooth Mission Partner	\$ 29,000.00	\$ 29,000.00	\$ -	\$ 29,000.00	\$ -
Total 5100 Mission Partner	\$ 29,000.00	\$ 29,000.00	\$ -	\$ 29,000.00	
5200 Denominational Giving					
5210 Per Capita payout-GA	\$ 11,299.40	\$ 11,299.40	\$ -	\$ 11,299.40	\$ -
5220 Per Capita payout-Synod	\$ 6,018.66	\$ 6,018.66	\$ -	\$ 6,018.66	\$ -
Total 5200 Denominational Giving	\$ 17,318.06	\$ 17,318.06	\$ -	\$ 17,318.06	

6000 ADMINISTRATIVE				
6001 Presbytery meeting exp	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ -	\$ 600.00
6003 Web page tec.	\$ 1,725.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 225.00	\$ 1,500.00
6004 Insurance	\$ 1,182.50	\$ 1,400.00	\$ (217.50)	\$ 1,400.00
6010 Financial Costs				
6011 Treasurer Expenses	\$ 240.00	\$ 1,800.00	\$ (1,560.00)	\$ 1,800.00
6012 Financial Review/Audit Cost	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ (200.00)	\$ 200.00
Total 6010 Financial Costs	\$ 240.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ (1,760.00)	\$ 2,000.00
6020 Professional Expenses	\$ 1,728.87	\$ 4,000.00	\$ (2,271.13)	\$ 4,000.00
6030 Training				
6032 Moderator Training	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (1,500.00)	\$ 1,500.00
Total 6030 Training	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (1,500.00)	\$ 1,500.00
6040 Office Expenses				
6041 Office Rent	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ -	\$ 6,000.00
6042 Office Supplies	\$ 247.10	\$ 300.00	\$ (52.90)	\$ 300.00
Total 6040 Office Expenses	\$ 6,247.10	\$ 6,300.00	\$ (52.90)	\$ 6,300.00
6050 Misc Administrative	\$ 206.19	\$ 500.00	\$ (293.81)	\$ 500.00
Total 6000 ADMINISTRATIVE	\$ 11,929.66	\$ 17,800.00	\$ (5,870.34)	\$ 17,800.00
6100 COMMITTEE EXPENSES				
6110 Committee on Ministry				
6111 COM Misc	\$ 314.32	\$ 500.00	\$ (185.68)	\$ 500.00
6112 Committee on Preparation	\$ 600.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 500.00
Total 6110 Committee on Ministry	\$ 914.32	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (85.68)	\$ 1,000.00
6130 Judicial Commission				
6132 Judicial expense legal	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (1,500.00)	\$ 1,500.00
Total 6130 Judicial Commission	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (1,500.00)	\$ 1,500.00
6140 Other Misc. Expense	\$ -	\$ 400.00	\$ (400.00)	\$ 400.00
Total 6100 COMMITTEE EXPENSES	\$ 914.32	\$ 2,900.00	\$ (1,985.68)	\$ 2,900.00
6200 Presbytery Program Expenses				
6220 Youth	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Total 6200 Presbytery Program Expenses	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
6800 Pass Thru Expenses	\$ 11,114.36	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 9,714.36	\$ 1,400.00
6900 Uncategorized Expenses	\$ 17,570.00	\$ -	\$ 17,570.00	\$ -
Total Expenses	\$100,866.40	\$ 80,438.06	\$ 20,428.34	\$ 80,438.06
Net Operating Income	\$(14,055.20)	\$ (20,915.06)	\$ 6,859.86	\$ (20,915.06)
Net Income	\$(14,055.20)	\$ (20,915.06)	\$ 6,859.86	\$ (20,915.06)



Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Boise—March 1, 2025

The 2025 Spring Gathering of Presbyterian Women of the Presbytery of Boise will be hosted by the PW of Southminster Church on April 26, 2025. There will be a Coordinating Team meeting in March, date to be determined.

The 2024-2025 Horizon's Bible Study is entitled Let Justice Roll Down: God's Call to Care for Neighbors and All Creation (Amos 5:24) We are reminded that "we can only survive if nature thrives. We are called to care for creation ... because a healthy creation sustains human well-being." P. 11. The study challenges us to make improvements. Every church in this presbytery can also be challenged to recycle, write letters, and more, to improve our environment and the health, safety, and welfare of the poor.

I am also on the Merger (Boise/Kendall) Coordination Task Group. Please share your ideas and concerns with me for communication to this group.

Jacquelyn Benjamin, Moderator

PWP of Boise