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**2023
Renewal**

*Time to Renew
your FCM
Membership for
2023*

See instructions on page 2
of this newsletter

Exercise your Right to
VOTE!

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CHAIRPERSON

Christy Howard-Steele



Renewal Reminder

If you have not renewed your membership yet for 2023, you may renew until December 31st before a significant renewal rate increase goes into effect. Below are the current renewal rates and the late renewal rates that go into effect beginning at 3:01am ET on January 1, 2023. This table shows the dates the late renewal rates go into effect:

Membership Type	Regular* November 1st - December 31st	Late** January 1st and after
General	\$ 60	\$ 65
Commissioned	\$ 175	\$ 275
Commissioned & Endorsed	\$ 290	\$ 390

*Dues waiver available

**Dues waiver unavailable

Please note: After December 31st, dues waivers will no longer be available.

Renewal encompasses both completing your annual report **and** remitting the appropriate fee.

Please be mindful that if you do not believe you will have the money to renew by December 31st, it is more helpful to both FCM and you to contact your Regional Vice President to request a partial or full waiver of your dues. Renewing your membership well into 2023 perpetuates an unnecessary hardship. You will still need to complete your annual report within the established time frame to maintain your membership status. It is our policy and practice not to deny members renewal because of financial hardships.

Ministry Listing: When you renew, you are entitled to a free website listing of your ministry under three of the website’s listed categories. Check up to three (3) categories. You will be listed by state, city, name, phone number, email address and personal website if you have one.

To renew your membership for January 1 to December 31, 2023: follow the convenient method listed below.

Commissioning and/or Endorsement faculties end December 31, 2022, if you do not renew.

RENEW from your REALM Profile Account

go to www.onrealm.org

- ❖ log into your Realm profile using your email address and a password you created
- ❖ from your profile page, go to the Registration Events page
Regular Membership Renewal (by December 31)
- ❖ type your name in the “Add Registrant” box
- ❖ select the type of membership you are renewing (general, commissioned, commissioned and endorsed, faith community)
- ❖ answer all the questions that follow and click Next
- ❖ pay the registration fee (credit card, debit card, or electronic check)
- ❖ Click “Register”
- ❖ Please note: The renewal process must be completed in one sitting as there is no “Save” feature within Realm events.



PRESIDENT

Ron Davis



Greetings FCM Family,

Today I want to give thanks to our VPs for the work they have done over the past two months. They have provided training and support to **Rev. Beth Knight**, our new Southern Region Vice President. The VPs met in September in a virtual meeting, a new effort to partner in ministry. Going forward, we will hold these meetings quarterly. The VPs have also been preparing members for commissioning and endorsement in their given regions, and are building relationships and holding Zoom meetings to keep their members connected. I am so thankful for the work they are doing.

At our Annual Assembly, we discussed dividing the Southern; Mountains and Plains; and Pacific regions into smaller regions. To move this forward, the next step is for those of you interested in this expansion to contact us and to let us know if you feel led to volunteer in leadership for this kind of endeavor. If you would like to explore FCM leadership or know of someone who should be approached to for consideration for leadership, please talk to one of the VPs, Christy, or myself. Also, please pray that God will lead us to discover the right people for these leadership positions.

The first phase of our membership renewal period has come to an end. My hope is that you have already renewed so that you are at peace with your FCM commissioning and endorsing. If you have not renewed your membership, please do so as soon as possible. It is best practice for all of us to renew before the holiday season to avoid missing the deadline. Communicate with your VP about any needs or concerns.

We are living, working, and ministering through a challenging period of time in this world's history. My prayer today is that we will be both salt and light in this world; that we will not be overwhelmed and stressed about all that is going on around us; and that, we will focus in on the things that we are challenged to do and do those things well.

May God bless you and keep you,



CHAIRPERSON

Christy Howard-Steele

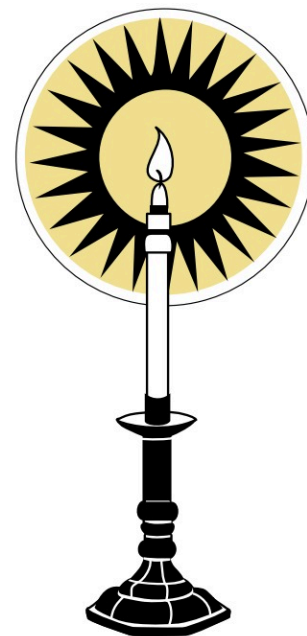
The Season of Rest

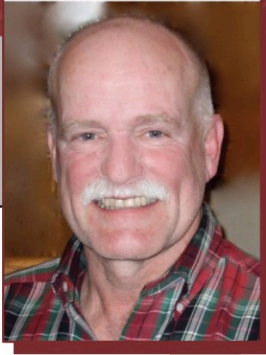
*"Advent: the time to listen for footsteps—you can't hear footsteps when you're running yourself."
Bill McKibben*

We begin December coming from a time of Thanksgiving, going into a season of waiting, preparation, and expectation. As I have said before, and it bears repeating, I am so grateful for the community that is FCM. I am grateful for our openness and inclusiveness. I am grateful for our welcoming spirit. I am grateful for the sincere and excellent ministry that our members provide.

As we continue in this Advent season, I want to encourage us all to realize that part of waiting, preparing, and expecting is rest. If we fill our time preparing, with lots of activities, we will be too tired to experience the fullness of the celebration. If I have learned anything from the pandemic, it is that I don't need to do all that I think I need to do. Simplicity has its benefits.

As we light the Advent candles this year, I look forward to the future with hope, love, peace, and joy. I hope that the world as we know it today does not continue in the same way. I hope that we learn to love one another, not only those who are like us, but those who are different from us and who hold different attitudes, worldviews, and opinions. I hope that we can find the way of peace (which by the way can only be found through love). It is only then that we will have joy.





ENDOWMENT FUND

Tom Stricker, Chairperson

Giving is receiving and receiving is Giving!
You can make a difference!



The Permanent Endowment Fund was established to enable members, organizations, and friends of FCM to express their commitment to Christ through gifts that will support our inclusive, ecumenical missions and programs in perpetuity.

This professionally-managed fund financially supports the activities and missions of FCM. The Endowment Committee will authorize annual distributions from the Accumulated Appreciation in accordance with the [Endowment Fund Policy](https://www.federationofchristianministries.org/fcm-endowment-fund/fcm-permanent-endowment-policy.html).
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The FCM Endowment Committee oversees and manages the Fund. The Committee is comprised of active FCM members with a Chairperson and Secretary selected by and from Committee members. Donors' gifts will be used on behalf of FCM in perpetuity.

Called by God's Spirit and grounded in personal, spiritual practice, the Federation of Christian Ministries (FCM) responds by worshiping God and supporting the growth in faith and ministry of its individual and collective members. Our Christ-inspired organization does this by welcoming people of all spiritual persuasions. We offer empowerment and commissioning to those who have discerned a call to ministry.

Consider a gift to our endowment and continue The FCM Permanent Endowment is a significant way to extend the FCM mission long into the future. Any donation you make will continue to extend that mission.





ENDOWMENT FUND REPORT

Tom Stricker, Committee Chair

Thank You

VALUE AS OF 10/10/2022
\$101,135.00

Donate to the FCM Endowment Fund
NO GIFT IS TOO SMALL!

Regular Donation

Go to the FCM website www.federationofchristianministries.org or go to your personal account on Realm www.onrealm.org and make your donation.

1. Sign in to Realm or, if in the FCM Website, use the "Donation" button to get there.
2. Click on "Giving" (left hand column) and this will take you to donation page
3. Click on the "+ Give" button
4. You will see a pull down (FCM General Account); click on the pulldown arrow
5. Click on the "FCM Endowment Fund" button

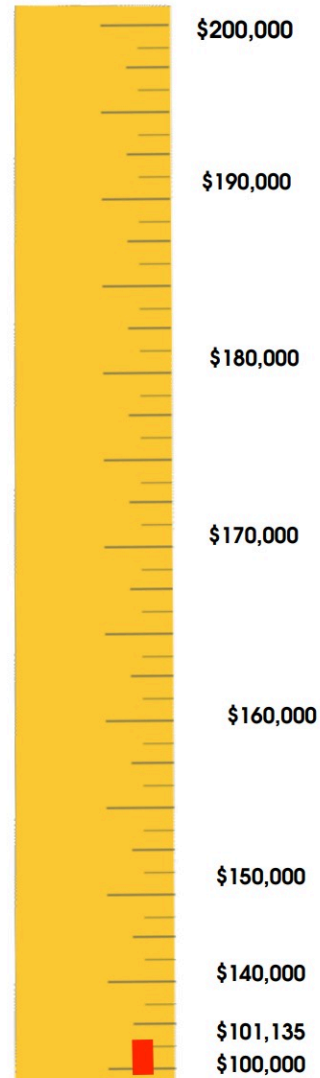
Tribute Gift

Is there a friend, family member, teacher, or mentor you would like to honor on their special day or send an expression of sympathy?

Consider a small donation to the **FCM Endowment Fund**.

A notice of your gift will be sent to the honoree or a member of their family. You will also know that your gift will help ensure that FCM will be able to support future generations of ministers and congregations.

For more information go to the FCM web site under FCM Endowment Fund for the online **Tribute Gift Form** or endowment@fcmmail.org



Measuring Our Success



FCM GRANT

Grant Committee Members

Shannon Queenan - Heidi Tierney - Mary Vidas

**THE FEDERATION OF CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES IS PLEASED
TO ANNOUNCE THE 2nd ROUND OF GRANT SUPPORT
FOR FCM MEMBERS AND FCM FAITH COMMUNITIES
FOR PROJECTS THAT ALIGN WITH FCM's MISSION!**

FCM recognizes there are many pathways in which to support FCM's mission and values. The establishment of FCM's grant programs is to support the rich diversity of ministries, projects, and activities led by FCM Members and FCM Faith Communities that lead to the renewal and transformation of the communities we serve.

Given the success of the previous grants awarded and number of applications received, a 2nd round of grant support (totaling \$4,000) has been approved by The Circle. FCM Members and FCM Faith Communities are invited to submit an application for projects and outcomes that align with FCM's mission to empower and nurture inclusivity and support FCM's values of belonging, compassion, empowerment, equity, and mindful living.

Applicants can only receive one grant per calendar year.

The application deadline is March 6th, 2023, with grant awards to be distributed by June 2023.

If you are interested in applying for a grant and/or would like to more information and application guidelines, please send an email to grant@fcmmail.org and/or contact **Mary Vidas** at (651) 303-6005 c/o of FCM's Grant Committee.



* Page 14 of this newsletter:

The Community of St. Hildegard was one of the recipients of our inaugural grants earlier this year.



FAITH COMMUNITIES

Mark Bernecker, Chair



by Gerry Grudzen

The Story of La Comunidad des Ministerios Cristianos



La Comunidad's beginning was organic, rising up from the Mexican American Community in San Jose, CA. Anthony Soto was the Franciscan Pastor of Our Lady of Guadalupe's Church in San Jose. This dynamic foci of the Latinx church is where Cesar Chavez held the first meeting of farmworkers. During Bobby Kennedy's presidential campaign ('68), he met with the Mexican American community here.

Fr. Soto left the priesthood in the early 1970s to marry Phyllis, a Chicana leader in the parish. Also at that time, many Chicanas were participating in the Encuentros, discovering and deepening the roots of their faith. At one of these Encuentros, which always ended with a Eucharist, the assigned priest was not able to celebrate the closing Eucharist. This proved to be a Kairos moment for the women. They remembered that their mothers kept the faith alive when there were no priests to accompany them from Mexico. They realized they did not need an ordained priest to celebrate the Eucharist for them. These women, along with Anthony and Phyllis, formed the core of La Comunidad. They believed that the whole community offered Eucharist together.

There was also a strong connection with the farmworkers and the founding of the Center for Employment and Training (CET). CET became an award-winning job training program in the state of California serving the needs of seasonal farmworkers. It was closely aligned with the efforts of Cesar Chavez to form the United Farmworkers Labor Union. CET expanded to various parts of the United States as a model job training program for low income people.

La Comunidad formed in 1977 and hosted the FCM Assembly in 1980 where over 100 participated. The keynote speaker, Thomas Berry, a Geotheologian, went on to become a guiding light for the environmental movement. La Comunidad went on to host three more FCM Assemblies in California.

La Comunidad continues to meet every two weeks. We, like so many communities, have had to offer services on Zoom.

Another strong characteristic of la Comunidad is deep emotional, psychological and physical support for its members. Members have created spiritually grounded rituals for baptism, marriage, healing, for the time of death and the celebrations held afterward.

Many of us continue ministries in the community and internationally on behalf of the marginalized and also fostering community between people of different religious backgrounds.



The FCM Faithful

Major Anniversaries of Membership

Carolyn Horvath

THE PEOPLE LISTED BELOW HAVE WORKED LONG AND FAITHFULLY TO BUILD FCM TO ITS PLACE TODAY. IF YOU WISH TO CONGRATULATE THEM, SEARCH THEM ONLINE IN REALM (WWW.ONREALM.ORG) OR ON THE REALM APP. NOT SIGNED IN TO REALM? ASK YOUR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT OR CONNECT@FCMMAIL.ORG FOR AUTHORIZATION.

November/December 2022

20 Years

Gerald Alferi 12/02/2002 Mountains & Plains
Raymond Grosswirth 12/02/2002 Northeast
Rafael Macaranas 12/02/2002 Great Lakes

15 Years

Dr. Carole Brennan 11/2/2007 Great Lakes
Elsie McGrath 11/29/2007 Mountains & Plains

10 Years

Shannon Queenan 12/08/2012 Great Lakes
Patty Stricker 12/26/2012 Great Lakes

5 Years

Scott Chapman 11/07/2017 Mountains & Plains
Jacqueline Cook 12/09/2017 Northeast
Margaret Gering 11/06/2017 Northeast
Camille Harrison 12/15/2017 Mountains & Plains
Ryan Mulkowsky 12/21/2017 Southern
John Nelson 12/12/2017 Mountains & Plains
Laura Smith 11/19/2017 Southern



THANK YOU

from: Carolyn Horvath

Dear FCM Sisters and Brothers,

As the months continue to get closer to October, November and December, especially December 2nd, it seemed appropriate to thank you again and to reach out to you again for prayer.

First of all, thank you so much for your prayers, your cards, phone calls, and emails that continued to come to support me (and Tom) last November and then with Tom's death on December 2nd and afterwards, the flood of support from all of you.

My gratitude is really overflowing and doesn't know how to exactly say thank you! I am very, very, grateful and needed to express it to you again.

Secondly, please continue your prayers for me because it is a difficult few months that we are moving into and I know without your prayers it will be hard to move forward. Again, thank you so much for answering my request.

Tom has welcomed many to the other side during these 10-12 months. May we all together praise God for the blessings we have all received and remember all who have gone before us. Let's continue our prayers for them and each other. Thank you! Carolyn

REMINDER

FCM members who celebrate/officiate a

BAPTISM

are required to register the Baptism at
www.fcmregistry.org

Marriages can also be registered
at www.fcmregistry.org

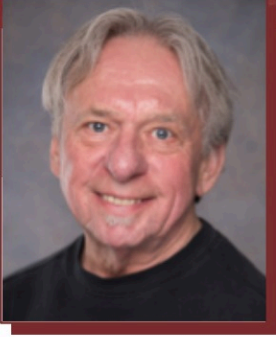
GIVING THANKS



*"O, heavenly Mother/Father:
We thank thee for food and remember the hungry.
We thank thee for health and remember the sick.
We thank thee for friends and remember the friendless.
We thank thee for freedom and remember the enslaved.*

*May these remembrances stir us to service,
that thy gifts to us may be used for others. Amen."*

– Abigail van Buren,



NORTHEAST REGION

Carl Yusavitz, Vice President

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Grace Newswanger, Alisa Unell, and Mary Edmunds.
All three trained at St. Luke's University Hospital in Bethlehem, PA.

FCM Commissioning

In a recent monthly Zoom gathering, the question was asked: "What difference did FCM Commissioning make in your congregational leadership or chaplaincy ministry?" The unanimous response was that FCM Commissioning provided a wider communal affirmation of one's discipleship and call to ministry. In other words, FCM helped to remove some unnecessary barriers to practicing one's call to ministry. Others mentioned how helpful it was to provide sacramental ministry to their patients and staff. The group also reflected on how one's call to commissioned ministry and one's practice of ministry have been affected by the recent Covid-19 pandemic, particularly how so much church is on-line now.



Which got me thinking...

We sometimes forget that the Holy Spirit "breathes where she will," unbound by human structures or global pandemics. Evidence of the Spirit's movement may be found in the ways Covid-19 provided new and creative ways to "be and do church." The ways in which we gather may differ these days, but the Spirit is still present.

Northeast Region Meeting

NE Region members have expressed interest in meeting in person and virtually. In response to this desire to gather, FCM Faith Community Chair, **Mark Bernecker**, who lives in Whitehall Township in the Lehigh Valley of Pennsylvania, offered to host a meeting in-person and via Zoom on November 5th from noon to 3. There are a good number of FCM members in the Lehigh Valley, so we hope many of you can make it or join us via Zoom. A "save the date" and invitation were sent out in September. If you would like more information, please contact Mark (revbernie@newlife-network.com).

FCM Endorsement

If you are thinking about applying for FCM endorsement, be sure to stay in close contact with members of our Committee on Specialized Ministries, especially if you are unclear what is required. The process is very different than FCM commissioning. You may contact the committee by sending an e-mail to specmin@fcmail.org.

Prayers for members...

Our region has a number of elderly members who need our prayers. Please keep these members in your prayers, even though you might not know them personally. God does.





SOUTHERN REGION

Beth Knight, Vice President

Our region keeps growing professionally and ministering in so many wonderful ways. We celebrate a couple folks in this issue. And if commissioning or endorsement feels like a next step for you, please reach out to me so that I may support you. Additionally, as the holidays are upon us, may gratitude, good will and peace be with you.

Blessings, Beth Knight.

ENDORSEMENT CONGRATULATIONS



DR. ROGER BUSH, Chaplain
Durham, North Carolina

COMMISSIONING CONGRATULATIONS REV. MIA HUTCHINS-CABIBI - North Carolina



A very special thank you to Rev. Jeanne Hale (pictured left) for being present on Saturday, September 3, 2022, as an FCM representative and blessing to Mia Hutchins-Cabibi upon her special day. Also, special thank you to Rev. Diane Dougherty, ARCWP, for supporting Mia in preparations before-hand for the service.

GUEST ARTICLE

Dealing with a Moral Injury ~ By Dorie L. Griggs, M.Div., Chaplain, Roswell, GA

Have you felt uncomfortable about a pastoral visit that didn't go as planned? Maybe you are in a hospital setting and something horrific happened, that should not have happened, but did. The uncomfortable feeling could be what is called a "Moral Injury," a term coined by renowned psychiatrist, [Dr. Jonathan Shay](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jonathan_Shay).
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jonathan_Shay

According to [The Shay Center for Moral Injury](https://www.voa.org/moral-injury-war-inside): <https://www.voa.org/moral-injury-war-inside> The Shay Center for Moral Injury: "Moral injury is the suffering people experience when we are in high stakes situations, things go wrong, and harm results that challenges our deepest moral codes and ability to trust in others or ourselves. The harm may be something we did, something we witnessed, or something that was done to us. It results in moral emotions such as shame, guilt, self-condemnation, outrage, and sorrow."

Originally discovered while working with military veterans, Shay learned this type of injury can happen to any number of people. In the interview ([found https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BJWZyZun27g](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BJWZyZun27g)) that he did with Religion & Ethics News Weekly, Dr. Shay explains how he came to identify moral injury in combat veterans with whom he worked.

The good news is if you feel you've had a moral injury there is help. As Dr. Shay mentions in the video link above, peer support and your closest community are the best ways to help you process your experiences. Clergy members should have a few colleagues with whom they can confide to help them process difficult encounters. Who is your support team?



GREAT LAKES REGION

Shannon Queenan, Vice President

A View from the Great Lakes

Our view is from Lake Erie, the Community of St. Hildegard, specifically. The community was one of the recipients of our inaugural grants earlier this year.

Their application was to improve the herb gardens (a charism of Hildegard) that had been started. FCM member and pastor, **Rev. Shanon Sterringer** said that the grant funded in part or in whole the honeycomb pathway, the herb identifying signs and the double water barrel. It also assisted with laying the groundwork for the creation of a Memorial garden.

As serendipity would have it, **Tom Leonhardt** (a beloved longtime FCM member) became the first one to be interred in the garden (also pictured). It was a very beautiful day and a fitting ritual. As pointed out by **Bishop Phil Belzunce**, Tom was placed in the womb of Mother Earth. Bishop Phil also blessed Memorial Garden.



COMMUNITY OF SAINT HILDEGARD HERB AND MEMORIAL GARDEN



Interment
**Thomas Joseph
Leonhardt**

October 23, 2022

February 20, 1934 -
December 2, 2021



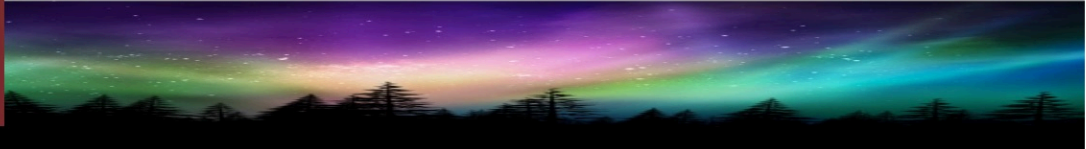
Celebrants
Rev. Shanon Sterringer, FCM
Bishop Phil Belzunce, FCM





MOUNTAINS & PLAINS REGION

Mary Vidas, Vice President



"Let me keep company always with those who say "Look!" and laugh in astonishment, cry as needed, and bow their heads in awe." Mary Oliver, Evidence: Poems

VP Thought Jots

Well, the weather gurus have been forecasting a wintery mix of snow, ice, and drizzle here in Minnesota. In between taking pictures of the snow's accumulation, I am also awestruck by how completely indiscriminate **SNOW** is, now falling fast and on **EVERYTHING!**

No doubt, we've come to know how the force of nature and its power can change and transform our world. How it can obliterate all borders and boundaries made by human hands. Be it the aftermath of nature's impact or weathering life's storms, recovery is not always quick, easy, or equitable. And yet, although our experiences can be as unique as we are diverse, we are not alone. For it is within our community collective, that we find the strength to rebuild, and in time, the courage to recreate our future.



During this season of thanksgiving and grace, I want to thank **YOU** for the many ways in which you share your gifts, talents, and ministry as "eucharist" for others. Be it removing debris, distributing food and non-food items in your community, opening your home and welcoming all, offering support, holding folks in your heart, and/or attending to the emotional and spiritual care of individuals, families, and neighbors.



Know that your bright light is a welcome beacon of hope to many! Just as we remember the raw power of the earth and its constant movement, we remember the strength of a people gathered to be the expression of agape love for another. Abundant blessings to you and yours this holiday season! Mary

Recently Commissioned

Congratulations to the following Commissioned Member:



Reverend Leslie Deslauriers, M.Div., FCM
Chaplain, Rush University Medical Center
Chicago, IL

Mts & Plains Regional Zoom Schedule

Wednesday Nov. 2nd, 2022

7:00-8:00 PM Central

Topic: GLBTQ+ Pastoral Care



Wednesday Dec. 7th, 2022

7:00-8:00 PM Central

Topic: Making a Living as a Spiritual Director

Local FCM Representatives

A special thank you to those who have offered to represent FCM at the local level. If you are interested in welcoming new members and building community in your state or location send an email to: mts_plainsvp@fcmail.org.

Ordination Celebrations

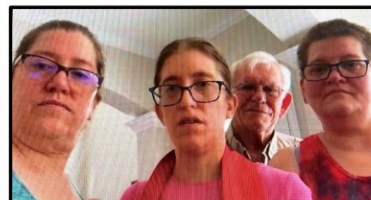
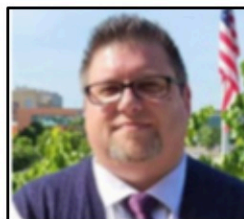
It is with great joy that we recognized our Mountains and Plains members and joined together in affirming their call to ministry. Congratulations to Tillmon and Staci, and the family and friends who offered their support and participated in the online service.



Above First Row: **Reverend Mary Vidas** presided as family, friends & Colleagues added their blessings....

Reverend Tillmon Barker III, FCM Chaplain, Texas Health Methodist Hospital, Fort Worth, TXTillmon and his family gather for the service.

Second Row: **Reverend Staci Orr**, FCM Chaplain, Interim Health and Hospice Lubbock, Texas...Staci and her Family celebrate!



One Body, Many Members "If one part is honored, every part shares in its joy!" 1 Corinthians 12:26

Are you in need of a retreat leader, educator, artist, musician, health and wellness expert, alternative healing practitioner, homilist, faith-community mentor, therapist, addiction counselor, social justice leader, GLBTQ community advisor, spiritual director, or other? Think about connecting with your FCM colleagues!

There are various ways to get to know your FCM colleagues such as reading our newsletter, participating in FCM's prayer sessions, offered webinars, and attending local or regional gatherings (online or zoom). And of course, one can always send out a "call for service" via Realm.

Also, don't forget to check FCM's website for the "Find A Minister" directories. Not listed and would like to be? Complimentary directory listings come with membership.

A Fresh Look at Addiction and Recover through the Lens of Spirituality



After hearing guest speaker FCM member, **Kathleen McCauley**, MA, Certified Recovery Specialist share her journey, recovery expertise, and perspective on the "thirst for union" during our Mts & Plains regional zoom meeting, **Claudia Dorsch**, FCM Chaplain at Unity Point Health-Finley Hospital, Dubuque, Iowa invited Kathleen to lead a virtual workshop for her hospital staff and community.

The webinar was well received and enlightened all on spiritual care for patients with substance use disorders. To learn more about this connection, contact Kathleen McCauley at kathleenmccauley1@msn.com and/or Claudia Dorsch at claudia.dorsch@garrett.edu.

Have an FCM connection to share? Send a description paragraph to mts_plainsvp@fcmail.org.

Let us rejoice for the gifts bestowed are many!



PACIFIC REGION

Dan Windham, Vice President

Going with the Flow

There has been a steady flow of commissioning and endorsement candidates from the region. Some folks have relocated from other parts of the country to the Pacific Region to begin or to continue their careers in ministry. It seems the majority of the newly commissioned and endorsed members are chaplains.

In a changing religious landscape where more people are dissociating from the church and engaging a spirituality that is different from the traditional milieu, it is increasingly important for spiritual care providers to develop new ways to come together and to lift each other up in the faith and in the work. To that end the newly commissioned and endorsed members in California are finding inroads to support and to edify one another in the unique work we do as chaplains.



A new way to consider church, as a group of spiritual seekers coming together for mutual edification, the developing bonds among our regional constituency are poised to provide a repeatable model of community moving forward in the post Covid Zoom church age.

Continuing to develop interstate community is a priority and the search for state representatives is ongoing.

As this latest edition is hitting your inbox, the Circle of Directors is actively seeking regional representatives for the newly structured regions, and as new members are commissioned and endorsed, you are encouraged to consider ways you can support the mission, vision, and values the FCM espouses. As we move forward toward 2023, may we assess our circumstances and search ourselves for ways and means to move with the changing landscapes in the church, the nation, and the world.

Anyone with an interest in serving as a state representative, please reach out. I will be conducting state meetings following our October circle meeting. See y'all soon!

Peace,
Dan

CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS



*May the blessing of joy abide within you;
May the blessing of peace rest upon you;
May the blessing of love flow out through you;
May all the blessings of the Lord be yours
at Christmas and in the new year.*

~ Author Unknown

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