



**Presbyterian Women of**  
**Southeastern Illinois Presbytery**  
**Fall 2018 Newsletter**

**Fall Gathering**  
**First Presbyterian Church, Centralia, Illinois**  
**Saturday, Sept. 29, 2018**

**Theme Scripture: Arise, shine for your light has come! Isaiah 60:1**

9:30           **Registration**, Coffee time

10:00           Welcome and Announcements

10:05           **Welcome** by Pastor Stan Martin, Centralia Presbyterian Church

10:15           **Worship time: Joannie Naraghi**, Chaplain, St. Mary's Hospital, Centralia

10:40           **Cuba Mission trip**, Betty Stelmazewski and Sue Tomlin, Mt. Vernon Presbyterian Church, participants in First Presbyterian Church of Champaign June 2018 Mission Trip

11:10



**PW 2018**

**Churchwide Gathering**

**Experiences:** Hear several Gathering participants talk about moments of inspiration, learning, outreach, and more!

11:45           **Where your PW money goes!**

12:15           **Offering** for Centralia Community Benevolent Association (CCBA) Food Pantry and Centralia PW Giving Tree at Assisted Living home.

12:25           Announcements & Prayer

12:30           **Lunch** (\$7.00) **CentsAbility Hunger Offering** will be received.

1:30           **Optional tour** of Centralia Community Benevolent Association (CCBA) Food Pantry—several blocks from church

- Mission project for Fall Gathering—bring items and/or offering for Centralia Community Benevolent Association (CCBA) Food Pantry (including books and magazines for children and adults) and/or “Giving Tree” project of Centralia PW (Christmas gifts for Assisted Living residents or for them to give to others: toiletries, socks, hats, scarves, cards, candy bars, money for fruit, etc.).
- Display tables will be available for mission information or sharing of fundraising or other projects from local PW groups or any women in Presbyterian churches.

**Reminder:** All women are invited to participate in these meetings. You do not have to belong to a local PW group; you are still very welcome to attend the Presbytery and Synod PW Gatherings for fellowship, inspiration, and information about the work of Christ’s people at home and around the world!

**RESOURCES FOR PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN**  
Spring/Summer 2018

**Celebrate 30 years of Presbyterian Women!**

**Register now for the 2018 Churchwide Gathering**  
Register at the Gathering after July 1st!  
August 2–5, 2018 • Louisville, Kentucky  
[www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering/](http://www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering/)

**Presbyterian Women are guided by a shared purpose, the PW Purpose:**

Forgiven and freed by God in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves

- to nurture our faith through prayer and Bible study,
- to support the mission of the church worldwide,
- to work for justice and peace, and
- to build an inclusive, caring community of women that strengthens the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and witnesses to the promise of God’s kingdom.

Within the pages of this catalog you will find many resources and promotional and gift items to support and enhance your PW ministry. Whether preparing for a Bible study (see page 3); receiving an offering (see pages 5 and 6); leading a PW circle (page 2), planning a congregation, presbytery or synod gathering (page 2), or celebrating your PW ministry by wearing or gifting a logo pin or tote bag (pages 8 and 9), the resources listed in this catalog are made available to you, for you.

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**★ While supplies last**  
Look for this special symbol (★) to discover specially chosen sale items and very-limited quantity items!

Have a question for PW staff? Call PW’s toll-free number, 844/797-2872 (844/PW-PCUSA). Or visit [www.presbyterianwomen.org](http://www.presbyterianwomen.org) to download the staff directory, Who Ya Gonna Call?

**Celebrate 30 years of Presbyterian Women:** It’s been 30 years since the reunification of the two streams of Presbyterians in the United States led to the formation of *Presbyterian Women!*

Download or order the new “Resources for Presbyterian Women,” and see what exciting new items are available to help you and your group celebrate this anniversary! This includes Bible Study resources, logo wear, pins and pendants, placemats with history timeline and a historical display packet.

<https://www.presbyterianwomen.org/product/2018-pw-resource-catalog/>

**Let’s keep in touch:**

**Presbyterian Women of Southeastern Illinois Presbytery Facebook page:**

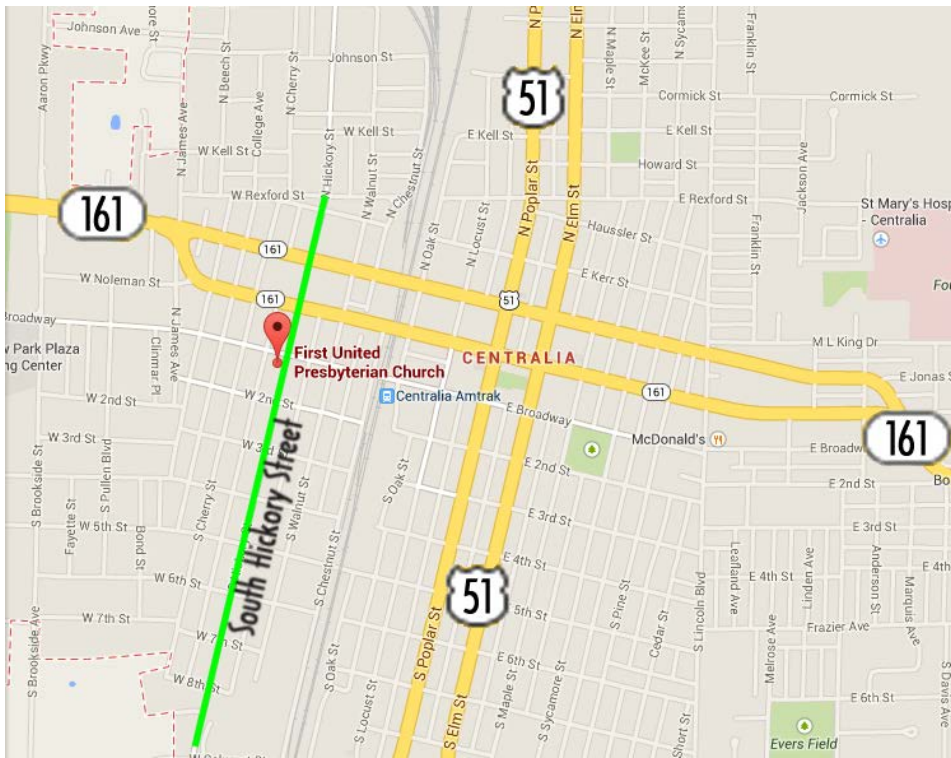
<https://www.facebook.com/pwsei>

**National Presbyterian Women Churchwide 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2018 Newsletter is available for download (also explore the newly revised PW website!):**

[https://www.presbyterianwomen.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/QM\\_1802.rev\\_color.pdf](https://www.presbyterianwomen.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/QM_1802.rev_color.pdf)

**Note: The Campbell’s Labels for Education program ended in August 2017. The General Mills Boxtops for Education program continues as usual, so keep saving them for Kemmerer Village.**

## Fall Gathering, Sept. 29! First Presbyterian Church, 102 S. Hickory, Centralia, Illinois!



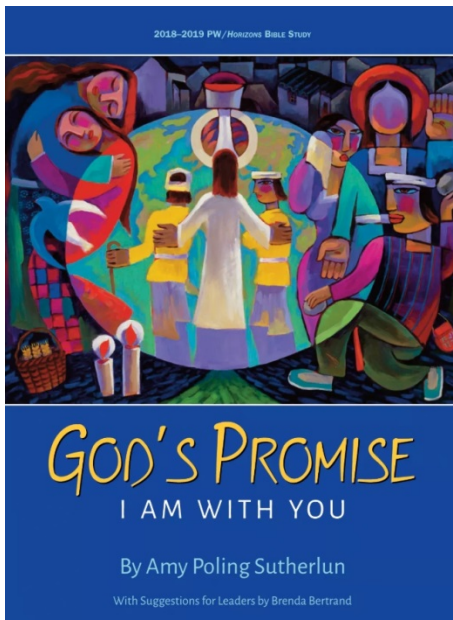
Take I-57 to Exit 109 onto IL Rt. 161 west into Centralia. Continue on Rt. 161 through the center of town. After you go over the overpass over the railroad track, take the first left onto Hickory St. The church is on the corner on the right in about 3 blocks at 102 S. Hickory. If you come into town on US 51, go west on Rt. 161 and continue as above.

From the west, take IL Rt. 161 or Broadway into Centralia, and take

Hickory St. south to the church.

**Note: Google Maps is often incorrect for this location!**

### *God's Promise: I Am with You*



### **2018–2019 Horizons Bible study**

By Amy Poling Sutherland with Suggestions for Leaders by Brenda Bertrand

The 2018—2019 PW/*Horizons* Bible study, *God's Promise: I Am with You*, takes readers on a journey through scripture to consider circumstances in which God articulated God's promise of presence. This study does not delve deeply into manifestations of God's presence but rather on God's actual articulation of God's promise. We will see anew that God offered these words of profound comfort and commitment to individuals and communities from the time of the patriarchs to that of the prophets; from the judges to the kings; before, during, and after the exile; into the New Testament and beyond, to the end of the age.

Taken from: <https://www.presbyterianwomen.org/bible-study/>

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### **Volunteers Needed:**

- Please contact Jane Hopkins if you are interested in serving as an Encourager for any area. Encouragers stay in touch with the churches in their assigned area to keep you informed of meetings and opportunities for Presbyterian Women, whether you have a formal PW organization or not.
- **We also need volunteers to serve as Newsletter Editor and helpers planning future Gatherings. Give us your name, or the name of someone you recommend.**

**Planning Ahead: Spring 2019 Gathering,  
Presbyterian Women of Southeastern  
Illinois Presbytery:**

**Location needed! Date: TBD!**

**Southeastern Illinois Presbytery**

**Presbyterian Women**

**Fall 2018 Gathering**

**Saturday, September 29, 2018**

**First Presbyterian Church, Centralia, Illinois**

**Registration begins at 9:30 am, program/meeting at 10 am**

**Registration:**

Name of Church: \_\_\_\_\_

Reservations required by Friday, Sept. 21, 2018

Names of those attending (Put additional names on back of sheet or just the number):

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Number of vegetarian lunches requested: \_\_\_\_\_

Other dietary concerns/needs: \_\_\_\_\_

Is child care needed? Please provide advance notice!    YES    NO

Luncheon: \$7.00

Accessibility: All meeting areas are accessible.

Mail or email reservations by Friday, Sept. 21, 2018 to:

Presbyterian Women  
First Presbyterian Church  
102 S. Hickory St.  
Centralia, IL 62801-3419

Telephone: (618)532-9124 (church office) or Vivian Creed (618)247-3858 or (618)267-9544

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102 S. Hickory Street  
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**For Women of your church! Or Current Occupant**

**Your church women's group is invited to send pledges to support the ministries of Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery, Synod, Churchwide, and Around the World!**

TOWN \_\_\_\_\_

CHURCH NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ENCLOSED CHECK COVERS THE FOLLOWING:

Date \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Quarterly Pledge  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Contingent Fund  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday Offering  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Thank Offering  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Honorary Life Memberships  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Hunger Offering  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Least Coin Offering  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Other  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total Amount of Check

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**Please send contributions by March 15, June 15, Sept. 15, and Dec. 15. Thank you!**