

2023 PW Summer Gathering - "Do Everything In Love"

Dear PW Presbytery Moderator:

Enclosed, please find the following information and forms for the **2023 Summer Gathering "Do Everything in Love"** (1 Cor. 16:13-14) to be held, **July 10-12, 2023 at the Penn Stater Hotel & Conference Center** in State College, PA.

- Summer Gathering Flyer
- Gathering Registration, Medical Emergency Contact Form & Workshop Interest Form
- Workshop Descriptions and other information.

We ask that you please share the enclosed information, as quickly as possible, with all of your congregations (with or without active PW groups), as well as with your Presbytery office so that people can make plans to attend. You will need to make copies of the flyer and forms to distribute to each congregation (hopefully your church or presbytery office will allow you to make copies to share the information.)

******It is very important that registration and flyers be available to all who may be interested.******
Please ask your congregations, presbytery office and other groups to include the information in their newsletters (print or electronic), website, FaceBook, etc. The more advertising, the more information is shared will provide more opportunities for women to learn about the Gathering. While not every congregation has an active PW group, we know that women from other congregations have attended regional and summer gatherings. We hope this Gathering will be an opportunity to inspire new PW members, as well as refresh the spirits of those who have been long-time Presbyterian Women. Please also consider providing any additional financial help for attendees from your group. We know the cost is high like so many other things now and we are trying to find ways to provide a great experience for attendees.

Individuals planning to attend should return the following information to Registrar Alcinda James: 1) Registration form (filled out), 2) Emergency Medical Contact Form and Workshop Interest Checklist (filled out) **and 3) their check for registration fees and hotel (make checks out to PW in the Synod of the Trinity.)** Individuals should keep the Workshop Description pages and FYI page so they have information on the speakers, workshops, yoga, choir, etc.

Registration deadline for the Gathering is May 31st. Rooms and room rates can only be guaranteed through that date.

Special Notes for PWP Moderators:

Each PWP Moderator is asked to bring the following with you to the Gathering:

- Your PW Moderator Stole
- A Silent Auction Basket with the Theme "Love".
- A Friend!

The silent auction baskets will be a donation from each Presbytery and auctioned via a silent auction during the second day of the Gathering. Since our theme is ***Do Everything in Love***, think of Love when filling your basket (Please, no alcohol allowed.) The proceeds from the silent auction will go to the mission project for 2023: Welcome Home SIS (Systems Impacted Survivors) Part 2. Each basket should be covered with a clear cellophane. Please include a card with each basket that lists the contents and estimated value of the basket and the name of the Presbytery PW. If you are unable to attend yourself, please send a silent auction basket from your Presbytery with another member.

See more information about the baskets and registration forms at our webpage

<https://www.syntrinity.org/synod-pw/>

If you have any questions, please contact Gathering Registrar, Alcinda James at **alcindaj@netzero.net**

Sincerely yours,

The 2023 PW Summer Gathering Planning Team