



September 7

When Two or Three Are Gathered: Resourcing Faith Formation When the Gathering Is Small, Led by Julie G'villo – Director of A Place for Grace. Julie has co-chaired the annual event for the International Association of Presbyterian Church Educators, written on spiritual practices with the PC(USA) Office of Christian Formation, and has done consulting work with churches in three states in the Midwest region.

How does a congregation nurture and feed the faith of its children and young people when there are just a few? Is it worth the time and energy of the congregation? Yes, absolutely. The education ministry of the church is rooted in the promises of Baptism when the congregation pledges responsibility for Christian Nurture. Join Julie as she shares resources, fresh options, and best practices for Christian Formation today.



September 14

Top 10 Best Practices around Investments, Endowments, and Legacy Giving Programs...Led by Joseph Moore and Sherri Finke, Ministry Relations Officers of the Presbyterian Foundation

Join us for a conversation around the most frequent questions we receive about Legacy Giving and Endowments in church. We will share some of the best practices that we see across the church in terms of investments, endowments, and legacy giving programs to fund ministry programming.



SEPTEMBER EDUCATION EVENINGS

Thursdays at 6:30 pm

The Presbytery of
Giddings Lovejoy
lives to steward a future of God's possibility.



September 21

How to Have the Best Meetings in World

Led by Rev. Ryan Landino, Presbytery Leader – Giddings-Lovejoy

At the beating heart of our church polity is discerning together in community, which is going to mean conducting business together in meetings. What are the most effective ways to positively contribute to smooth meetings? We will look together at different models, considerations, and best practices for moderating, organizing, preparing for, and simply participating in a meeting. There will be a little bit of Presbyterian polity, a little bit of organizational leadership research findings, and a little bit of crowd-sharing ideas for what makes for the BEST MEETINGS IN THE WORLD. Let's make better meetings!



September 28

What We Didn't Learn in Seminary: Buildings

led by Rev. Cedric Portis - Pastor, Third Presbyterian Church. Pastor Portis brings a wealth of experience in the practical matters of managing, maintaining, and equipping buildings. This workshop is intended for both Teaching and Ruling Elders, or anyone involved in their church's building and grounds work.