



The Lighthouse



PRESBYTERIAN
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Special Issue July 2025

Presbyterian Women in the Synod of the North Northeast



Refreshment for the Journey, Come Get Recharged!

(based on Habakkuk 3:17-19, Isaiah 40:30-31)

**Presbyterian Women in the Synod of the Northeast Leadership Event &
Business Meeting**

On September 12-13, 2025 (Friday & Saturday)

Hamilton Union Presbyterian Church 2291 Western Ave Guilderland, NY 12084

Hotel: Hampton Inn 1442 Western Ave., Albany, NY

Presbyterian Women of the Synod of the Northeast (PWSNE)

LEADERSHIP EVENT & BUSINESS MEETING

September 12 – 13, 2025

REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: _____

PRESBYTERY/POSITION ON CT _____

Home Address: _____

EMAIL: _____

PHONE: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT: _____

Everyone needs to register. Information needed for the church & hotel; and for the webservant for access to the Zoom link. Therefore, please indicate whether you will attend in person or by Zoom

Attending in Person _____ Attending by Zoom _____

If attending in person, please indicate:

Preferred Roommate _____

Please assign Roommate _____

Prefer no Roommate _____ (an additional fee for the hotel is required)

Registration for in-person attendance

PWP Moderator or Delegate and PWSNE CT : Registration Fee: \$25 **

Other PW who wish to attend: Registration Fee: \$125 payable in advance to Presbyterian Women in the Synod of the Northeast Please email a copy of your registration forms to jwschnaudt@comcast.net If you are attending in person, please also mail the registration form with fee to: Jane MacDonald, 35 Hillside Avenue, Newton, NJ 07860

** PWSNE will pay for one representative per Presbytery - a 2nd person may attend, but will have to pay the full \$125.

History of Women in the Country

This information was gleaned from Presbyterian News site.

At the beginning of our country women struggled to achieve rolls in shurch and society but they struggled on. Many of you are familiar with many of the women in church history.

Early on the church did provide a place for women to express themselves through charitable societies. The first charitable society by women was formed by the women in the First Presbyterian Church of Newark, NJ in 1803 according to the video “200 years of Presbyterian Women” The video is free on Presbyterian Women’s website. (PresbyterianWomen.org).

Presbyterian Gives Day

Presbyterian Gives day is July 31, 2025. The theme for this year is “Legacy in Motion, Celebrating our History, Trusting Our Future,”

Presbyterian Women, we are “legacy in motion”! Legacy is not static, but instead an opportunity to participate and build upon the foundation of all that is good and hopeful. Presbyterian Women, on PW Gives Day, let’s commit ourselves to “give forward” so that new voices, new opportunities and new ministries can find full and loving expression in Presbyterian Women.

PW flourishes, in part, because of all we do as a faith community, and because of what PW is and offers as a faith community. We each receive love, support and community through Presbyterian Women, and our lives are transformed as we participate in the larger, ongoing PW story. Shares Susan Skoglund:

“In my early days of PW when I was searching for a way to build a new life after retiring from a much-loved job, I attended a PW Synod Gathering in Pasadena, California, that featured among its speakers Eugenia Gamble. I was blown away by the quality of the program and the privilege of hearing from such worthy women. That experience led me to a retirement enriched by Presbyterian Women and the sisters that I had longed for my whole life. In hopes that Presbyterian Women will be sustained for generations to come, I give as generously as I am able. Please join me in that effort.”

PW/Horizons Bible study author Eugenia Gamble was the catalyst for Susan’s initial participation in Presbyterian Women. Since then, Susan has participated in many PW ministries, including coordinating volunteers at the 2024 PW Churchwide Gathering.

PW Gives Day keeps the PW community strong and connected. Gifts to PW Gives Day support PW’s Annual Mission Fund, which makes possible in whole or in part:

- PW groups at all levels •

- Development and delivery of national PW programming—including justice and peace work, antiracism training, leadership development and Racial Equity Dialogue
- • PW's USA Mission Experience
- • Developing denominational and ecumenical relationships
- • Publishing and communications ministry—Horizons magazine and Bible study, PW publications, digital and social media engagement
- • PC(USA) A Corporation service and lease agreement
- • National PC(USA) mission and program support
- • PW Churchwide Gatherings
- • PW administration and staff support
- • Giving to the PC(USA)
- • Presence and participation at denominational events, such as General Assembly
- How did you come to PW? What is your hope for PW? Will you join Susan Skoglund and your PW siblings in making a gift to 2025 PW Gives Day?

Gifts can be sent to Presbyterian Women PO Box 643652, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3652

In memo of check please put PWG25

Next Issue of the Full Lighthouse

Since our Annual Meeting is September 12-13 in Albany, I will delay the *Lighthouse* until after this meeting so news will be published about our meeting. Therefore the DUE DATE WILL BE SEPT 20