

News and Information About Presbyterian Women and the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)



Strengthen Your Inclusive Community

Presbyterians for Disability Concerns (PDC), a network of the Presbyterian Health, Education and Welfare Association (PHEWA), wants to help your congregation celebrate Access Sunday in 2005. Access Sunday was established to encourage congregations to recognize the gifts of people with disabilities and to raise congregational awareness about disability.

The 2005 Access Sunday resource packet focuses on children. During this Decade of the Child (2001–2011), make a commitment to celebrate and implement some of the ideas in the packet. Besides worship suggestions, there are stories of successful congregational programs, educational ideas, a resource list, information about accessibility loans and a list of consultants who can help with questions. The resource is available from the PHEWA Web pages, www.pcusa.org/phewa/news or from the PDC/PHEWA office. Call 888/728-7228, ext. 8100, or email tgilmore@ctr.pcusa.org.

May/June 2005 *Horizons* Correction

The photographer for the Bible study resource (pp. 37–39) in the May/June 2005 issue of *Horizons* was Frederick Allen.



Celebrate Women Who Make a Difference!

They Light the Journey by Living Out God's Word in Their Lives

Do you know a woman who has made a difference in your life or the lives of others? Think about the teachers, mentors, leaders, volunteers, role models and companions in your faith journey. Which woman stands out as someone who lives God's word and has lit the path of your faith story?

Recognize her and let Gathering participants celebrate her at the 2006 Churchwide Gathering! Use an 8½" x 11" or 9" x 12" scrapbook page or piece of cardstock or poster board to display her picture and a short description of how she lives out God's word and lights the way on others' faith journeys. The page must not be larger than 12" x 12", but can be as attractive, creative and intricate as you like.

Be sure to include her name, church, city, presbytery and synod on the display.

Mail to "Celebrating Women Who Make a Difference," Marsha Shelton, PW Office of Communications, Room 3070A, 100 Witherspoon Street, Louisville, KY 40202-1396, by June 1, 2006.

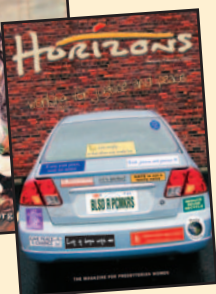
Posters will be displayed at the 2006 Churchwide Gathering and may be picked up and taken home after the Monday evening plenary session. They will not be mailed back to you.



Award-Winning Resources

The Religion Communicators Council (RCC), an interfaith association of religion communicators, gave an award of excellence to the Interactive CD-ROM designed to complement the 2004–2005 *Horizons* Bible study, *What She Said: Quotable Women in Scripture*.

The Associated Church Press (ACP), a professional organization whose members use journalism to describe, reflect and support the life of faith and the Christian community, honored *Horizons* magazine with a Best in Class award for special-interest magazines and two Awards of Merit—one for the 2004–2005 *Horizons* Bible study, *What She Said*, and the other for the cover of the January/February 2004 issue of *Horizons* magazine.



Promote the Gathering with the Clothes on Your Back!

The 2006 Churchwide Gathering T-shirts are now available! Shirts have a 2006 Gathering logo in color on the left front shoulder area and the Gathering scripture, dates and location on the back. The shirts are Sweat-Free, which means they were made by manufacturers and contractors who abide by labor standards set forth in the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights and by the International Labor Organization. The Sweat-Free logo will appear on the sleeve. Order from Presbyterian Distribution Service, 800/524-2612; \$10 plus shipping.

Pink

Small, CWG-06-113
 Medium, CWG-06-114
 Large, CWG-06-115
 X-Large, CWG-06-116
 XX-Large, CWG-06-117
 XXX-Large, CWG-06-118

Royal blue

Small, CWG-06-119
 Medium, CWG-06-120
 Large, CWG-06-121
 X-Large, CWG-06-122
 XX-Large, CWG-06-123
 XXX-Large, CWG-06-124



Corrections to *For Everything, A Season*

The field-testing information on page 60 of the 2005–2006 *Horizons* Bible study, *For Everything, A Season* includes two mistakes:

1. St. James Presbyterian Church PW is in Greensboro, North Carolina, not Gibsonville.
2. The field-testing group from St. Mark Presbyterian Church in Newport Beach, California, was omitted from the list. *Horizons* regrets the error and thanks the women of that group—Barbara Brinkley, Lois Butler, Katherine Dean, Judy Gielow, Kathy Karaffa, Kim Kubit, Marcia Liemkuhler, Jane Parker, LaRae Parry, Rose Rutledge, Lillian Saari, Pauline Scott, Jo Smith and Susan Thornton—and all other groups, for their participation.

On page 39, the Suggestions for Leaders for Lesson 6, the first sentence under the header “Preparing to Teach” should read “This session focuses on the six weeks of the church year prior to Holy Week. Lent lasts from Ash Wednesday until Holy Saturday.”

In the third column on page 43, the scripture verse “Do not hold on to me” is incorrectly attributed to *John 21:9*; the correct citation is *John 20:17*.

On page 55, the first sentence under the header “The Season of Life: A Time to Gather Stones Together” should read “Although the name ‘Ordinary Time’ is not meant to describe the nature of the days from Pentecost to Advent and Epiphany to Lent, ironically enough, the term fits.”



Ann Weems Wins Award

Congratulations to Ann Weems, recipient of the 2005 Peace Seeker Award, presented by the Presbyterian Peace Fellowship. Ann is a poet and author of seven books published by Westminster John Knox Press. She served on

the committee that wrote *The Brief Statement of Faith* and wrote a series of nine poems published in *Horizons* magazine, based on the 2004–2005 *Horizons* Bible study, *What She Said: Quotable Women in Scripture*.

Pope Benedict XVI



After being elected the new pope, Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger chose the name Benedict XVI. While he has not publicly stated his reasons for choosing Benedict, the name has strong connections to peace. Pope

Benedict XV led the Catholic Church from 1914 to 1922 and worked to bring peace to Europe during and after World War I. His first encyclical (letter to bishops) was an appeal for peace. While many world leaders did not honor his requests for peace, he is remembered as a pope for peace.