NEWS UPDATE ON GRANTS

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Presbytery of Great Rivers

We are called to share Christ's love by partnering in service, uniting in worship, and risking in ministry.

May 1, 2020

Expanded Teleconferencing Grants

On April 30, 2020, the Leadership Team expanded the Zoom grant to include the following:

For the purpose of establishing connections in the life of your ministry, we will extend grants <u>up to \$200*</u> to any teleworking needs, including technology software, hardware, or other telework or virtual meeting platforms. Please follow the process below for reimbursement. We kindly ask that you assess your finances to discern your level of need so we can make our resources available to as many as possible!

From April 1, 2020: the Leadership Team approved grants for churches for a one year subscription to ZOOM for teleconferencing. You may be reimbursed monthly for as long you need it up to a year, or be reimbursed for a single year.

Reimbursement Process:

- 1. For those purchasing a 1 year subscription:
 - a. Pay the cost of the subscription or equipment
 - b. Print off the invoice that shows it has been paid
 - c. Black out any credit card number that might have been used and scan the invoice.
 - d. Email the invoice and who the check should be issued to:

Bill Strawbridge, Treasurer at: bnc.sbridge@gmail.com

*include a mailing address for where the check should be sent.

- e. A check will be written to the individual or church as indicated.
- f. Copies of all documentation will be stored in the locked bookkeeper's office pending her return.
- **2. For those purchasing it by the month**, checks will be issued quarterly following the same process as above. Retain monthly invoices, scan three of them at a time, and email them per the above instructions.

Questions: call Bill Strawbridge at 309 258-4015

Also, a friendly reminder that on January 22, 2020, the Leadership Team approved grants of up to a <u>limit of six sessions of professional coaching</u> for Great Rivers Presbytery pastors serving congregations (including elders serving commissions, through the directory of the Presbyterian Coach Network, up to \$1,000. Information on coaching and a directory of coaches can be found by clicking HERE. The process for reimbursement will be the same as above.

Both of these are resources are available to help you navigate ministry during this pandemic crisis.

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