

## A Note from the Presbytery Leader

Hello Everyone –

I hope you've all had the opportunity to enjoy a wonderful summer and find some sabbath rest along the way. As we turn our attention now to fall programming and busy schedules, I'd like to invite you to some upcoming events:

**Wednesday, September 25** brings the opportunity to dive into fall stewardship campaigns. During the morning session we will be discussing the book *Rich Church Poor Church: Keys to Effective Financial Ministry* by J. Clif Christopher. The afternoon session will provide opportunities to draft newsletter articles, stewardship letters, announcements, etc. and receive feedback from other participants, getting you started on the right track.

**Tuesday, October 1** is the next Small Church Online Gathering

**Monday, October 7** will be a practice session for those who were able to attend previous Futures Workshops and may be feeling a bit overwhelmed by the tools and processes. An email was sent to these participants on September 14 with more information. If you did participate but did not receive the flyer, please reach out to me at [leader@presbyteryofgeneva.org](mailto:leader@presbyteryofgeneva.org) for more information.

Have you or your church been struggling to move beyond past conflicts? There's a workshop for that too! Join us in Watkins Glen on **Saturday, October 19**. An additional offering of this workshop is being planned for early November.

There will be more to come later this fall: a book study exploring generational differences and how they could impact the future of the church, some opportunities for those dealing with anxiety around the upcoming presidential election, and a few online gatherings for those who struggle to get through the holiday season. Be sure to check the presbytery newsletters for more information about all of these activities – we hope you will join us!

May God continue to bless you and your ministries as we enjoy the beauty of the changing seasons.

-Marji