

## KEYNOTE SPEAKER

**P**resentations will center around celebrating Native Ministries that lift up culture and Christian beliefs. The challenge for Native Ministries is overcoming a history of having to choose one over the other. We do not believe that is what God intended when God created us with a "goodly heritage!"



**Martha Sadongei** (Kiowa/Tohono O'odham) is in her tenth year as stated supply pastor at Central Presbyterian Church in Phoenix, Arizona, the only organized urban Indian congregation in the PC(USA). A graduate of Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary in 1996 and ordained in 1997, she taught thirteen years in the public schools as an elementary teacher prior to entering the ministry. She is active in Native American ministries in Grand Canyon Presbytery and has provided worship leadership at various churches and provides educational opportunities regarding stewardship, polity, worship and sacraments and membership. She has also been a consultant to various presbyteries and synods that have Native American churches or want to establish Native American ministries and need assistance in working more cooperatively with such constituents.

## TENTATIVE WORKSHOPS AND LEADERS

1. **Beadwork** is traditional in most Native American cultures. This workshop will include displays of various techniques for beadwork as well as completion of a small project. (small supply charge) **Janis McKinney** is a member of the Oka Achukma Presbyterian Church of Broken Bow, OK, who makes quilts, silver jewelry, beadwork, and Choctaw regalia.
2. **Blessings without Borders (\*Treasurers).** Celebrate through mission pledges, Birthday and Thank Offering, Life Memberships, and other special offerings. We'll explore the history and mechanics of PW giving. **Kathy White** of Hot Springs, AR, is PW Treasurer for the Synod of the Sun.
3. **Broaden Your Horizons: PW Teaching Tools.** Whether you are a seasoned Bible study leader or

new to the opportunity, talking about teaching tools and available and upcoming resources will broaden your horizons. **Susan Jackson Dowd**, PW communications coordinator, has served as PC(USA) national staff in Louisville since 1988.

4. **Conference Choir.** If you like to sing, come and be a part of our conference choir. **Kathy Moriarty** of Ft. Worth, long active at the presbytery and synod levels for PW, is the Music Director of this conference
5. **Discovering Ways to Bring Justice and Peace into the World through Mission Activities (\*Justice and Peace and Mission Coordinators).** This workshop will teach you ways to link your mission activities with justice and peace issues so that the women in your presbyteries can become more informed and involved in local, national, and international issues. **Jan Boydston** of Baton Rouge is the Synod PW Justice and Peace Coordinator for the Synod and for the Presbytery of South Louisiana. **Patti Nance** of Gonzales, TX, is currently serving as Mission Interpreter for the Synod PW.
6. **Divided Hearts: The Presbyterian Journey through Oklahoma History.** You will be fascinated with tales of our Presbyterian presence and mission work in what used to be called "the national mission field" drawn from the book, *Divided Hearts: The Presbyterian Journey Through Oklahoma History*. **Michael Cassity** co-authored *Divided Hearts* with the late Danney Goble and has been a history professor and administrator at the universities of Missouri – Columbia, Kansas, Georgia, and Wyoming. **Marvin Kroeker** has served as Chairman of the Oklahoma Presbyterian History Project Task Force.
7. **Dreamcatchers.** Dream catchers originated as a Native American art form but have become popular across all cultures with spiritual as well as artistic significance. We will explore their meaning and make our very own simple dreamcatcher. (small supply charge) **Deanie Amen** is a member of First Presbyterian Church of El Reno, OK, and is an elementary art teacher in the Oklahoma City Public District.
8. **Global Exchange from A to Z.** The Global Exchange Women allows Presbyterian Women

and women in another part of the world to visit each other's countries. What goes into selecting the countries to be visited and who will participate? What happens after a woman participates in the Global Exchange? **Karene Jones** is a member of the selection team for the next Global Exchange. **Dahlia Vela** and **Mary Beth Lysobey** participated in the 2008 exchange to Eastern Europe..

9. **Isaiah – The Fifth Gospel?** The book of Isaiah lives in the tension between the frightening drama of judgment and the all-encompassing forgiveness of a loving God. Sprinkled in and amongst these passages are tantalizing glimpses of the nature of the coming Messiah - so much so that early Christian writers called Isaiah the fifth gospel. **The Rev. Judye Pistle** is the pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Alva, OK.
10. **Keyboard Connections: The Virtual World at Your Fingertips (\*Coordinating Team Members).** Are you twittering on the edges of the electronic age? New virtual communication tools are introduced continually-and many of them are useful for your work with PW and the church. **Susan Jackson Dowd** is PW Communications Coordinator
11. **Living Simply, Living Faithfully.** The U.S. constitutes only five per cent of the global population while we emit more carbon dioxide and produce more municipal waste than any other country. Join us on a path towards living faithfully as God's stewards of a whole and healthy creation. **Charlotte Wells** serves as Galveston Baykeeper, representing one of 193 Waterkeeper organizations defending their communities' right to clean water.
12. **Making Calls for God (\*PW Search Committees)** As part of the body of Christ, the PW search committees act as Christ's fingers, legs and ears, as we try to find the right place for every woman to serve to the best of her ability and talents. **Esperanza Guajardo** of San Antonio serves on PW CCT as the moderator of the Search Committee. **Sue Candler** of Lafayette, LA, serves on the Synod of the Sun PW Search Committee.
13. **Mission on our Doorstep: Dwight Mission and Goodland Academy.** Learn the historical roots of these very active entities of the Synod of the Sun,

