



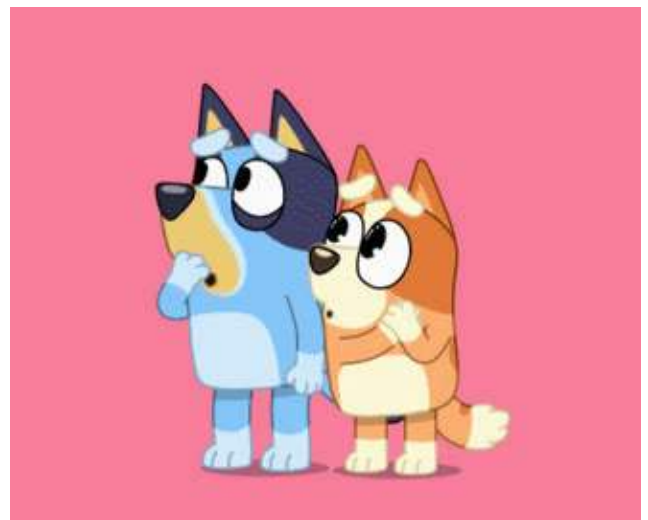
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SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER!

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STAFF UPDATE



Good things are coming to More Light Presbyterians and we can't contain our excitement. The MLP staff and board have been working for months restructuring, reimagining, and planning a future where we all do this work together. This means hundreds of hours of background work that you may not see, but we are ever amazed by the dedication and passion of this group of people.

But changes always come with some construction messes. We are working on new educational and liturgical resources, new merchandise, and new systems (that include a new shop and a brand-new website). As we work on these projects, we ask for patience and grace. It will totally be worth it!

We also ask for your help as we navigate some tricky situations. Recently, MLP was made aware of an organization that was using our information and likeness on a scam website, trying to solicit donations. We are working with others whose likeness has been used fraudulently on the website to have the site removed. What we ask of you all is that if you see More Light listed as an affiliate or partner with an organization that is not explicitly mentioned on our website, please alert us as soon as possible!

We are excited to continue to partner with you all and for the exciting times that lay ahead!

Blessings

The MLP Staff

-Claudia Aguilar Rubalcava, Director of Engagement

-Jesy Littlejohn, Director of Operations

COMING SOON!!!

MLP is back on the road! If you are going to be attending one of these events and want to chat with us or just hang out, email claudia@mlp.org to make plans.



September 13-15 - Youthquake at Ferncliff. Rev. Claudia Aguilar, our Director of Engagement, will be keynoting this conference.

September 20-22 - MLP in Louisville. This will be a full weekend with multiple opportunities to connect with MLP and learn more about our work.

September 20, 6 pm - Join MLP staff and board members for dinner and a panel conversation on what it means to be a More Light congregation today and why it matters, hosted by Highland Presbyterian Church (1011 Cherokee Rd).

September 21, 3 pm - Ever wondered how to make Presbyterian worship more inclusive, accessible, or creative? Join "A Queer Eye for Worship," a liturgy creation workshop hosted by Springdale Presbyterian (7812 Brownsboro Rd.)

September 21, 4 pm - One and all are invited to worship in a special More Light service at Springdale Presbyterian (after the workshop).

September 22, 11 am. Join in worship celebrating Central's 41st anniversary as a More Light church, including Claudia as preacher. A reception will follow the service (1001 S. 4th St)

Does your church or presbytery want to host a workshop? Would you like an MLP Staff member, Board member or Alumni to come preach at your church or teach a Sunday School class? Feel free to reach out to us to let us know! Visit our "[**Get Involved**](#)" Page today to fill out the form and we'll be in touch soon.



Our collective wisdom and knowledge can take us farther than what we can do on our own. You can help us this month in a few ways:

*Do you have pictures of your congregation being an awesome and inclusive church? Keep them coming! Please email them to hello@mlp.org.

*We are trying to collect a list of all of our former board members to create an MLP alumni group. Have you served on our board or do you know someone who has served on our board? Send us an email or fill out this [form](#) and someone will be in touch soon.

*Has your congregation paid dues this year? If not, you may submit them [here](#). Your dues help us do this work.

GET YOUR MLP MERCH!

We have new products in our shop!

Shoutout to Zoë Goode and Avery Arden for their fabulous new designs!

Check out the link to the shop [here](#) and stock up today!

To-Do Today

- Say your prayers
- Go to Bible Study
- Make a Casserole
- DISMANTLE QUEERPHOBIA**



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More Light Presbyterians' mission is to center and celebrate the lives, gifts, and leadership of LGBTQIA+ people in the Presbyterian Church (USA) and beyond. We accomplish this by igniting the prophetic witness of our ministry partners and by cultivating relationships rooted in mutual accountability and care. Together, we journey toward God's promised liberation and flourishing for all creation.

Your gift helps to advance More Light Presbyterians center and celebrate the lives, gifts and leadership of LGBTQIA+ people in the PC(USA) and beyond! Click the link to donate today! Click **HERE** to learn how you can donate today!

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