



Presbytery of Southeastern Illinois

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Danville church wins state-wide environmental award

[First Presbyterian Church in Danville](#) has won a state award for its efforts in protecting the environment, and helping sustain the future.

The church was one of organizations honored yesterday during a ceremony in Chicago.

The Illinois Sustainable Technology Center presented Sustainability Awards to organizations in Illinois that have demonstrated a commitment to environmental excellence through outstanding and innovative sustainability practices. ISTC is a division of the Prairie Research Institute at the University of Illinois.



First Presbyterian was honored for its efforts to use more efficient lighting, installing programmable thermostat, modernizing the heating and air conditioning system updating steam traps, and water pumps. The old inefficient, and leaking windows in the gym also were replaced.

First Presbyterian is the first church to ever win an Illinois Sustainability Award. Other local organizations among those winning an **Illinois Sustainability Award** are: Champaign-Urbana Mass Transit District, Riggs Beer Company in Urbana, and Smart Energy Design Assistance Center in Champaign.



PC(USA) Stated Clerk to speak at FPC/Champaign

[First Presbyterian Church in Champaign](#) cordially invites you to attend a workshop about Transformative Change featuring J Herbert Nelson II, Stated Clerk of the Presbyterian Church (USA) on Friday, November 16, 9am-1pm. Rev. Nelson will also speak at the Presbytery Meeting on Thursday,

The registration link for the Friday event is: firstpres.church/becomechange

Download Bulletin Inserts about the event [HERE](#)

BECOME **change**

First Presbyterian Champaign invites you to attend two events

Thursday, November 15, 2018

10am to 3:30pm

Overcoming Our Fear of Transformative Change in the PC(USA)

Presbytery Meeting with Rev. Dr. J. Herbert Nelson II

Breakfast will be provided

Lunch is \$10

Friday, November 16, 2018

9am to 1:00pm

Becoming Hands and Feet During Transformative Change: Putting Faith Into Action

Rev. Dr. J. Herbert Nelson II

Presentation, panel discussion, working lunch and
action planning.

*Offerings will be accepted for those who can help
defray the cost of lunch.*

*If you need overnight accommodations, some homes
are available for Thursday evening. Contact the
church office for information.*



Rev. Dr. J. Herbert Nelson II

Stated clerk of the General Assembly, Presbyterian Church USA

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You are Invited
to a
Fellowship Event

Join in an afternoon of
Fellowship & Refreshment

Thursday, December 13, 2018

From 2:30pm to 5:30pm

at the

REGISTER ROOM

109 S. Banker Street, Effingham, IL

Behind the Village Wine & Gift Shop

Appetizer/Snack food and non-alcoholic beverages, beer and wine will be available.

All Presbytery leaders and their families are invited

We would like a headcount, but even if you didn't RSVP, come and join us!

RSVP to:

Bill McLean at billmclean@psei.net

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Thanks to FPC/Effingham PW, local child development center wins PW National grant!



Southeastern Illinois Presbytery congratulates [Effingham Child Development Center](#) on the receipt of a \$100,000 grant from [Presbyterian Women \(National\) Birthday Offering fund](#). The grant application was endorsed by the [Effingham First Presbyterian Women](#) group, as well as the Southeastern Illinois Presbytery Presbyterian Women Group, and

SEI Presbytery. The grant will be used to help upgrade the ECDC's playground so that it is suitable and usable for all their diverse clients. It will no longer be covered by water for a week after it rains, children in wheelchairs or braces will have appropriate play equipment, and adequate security will be provided.

Wonderful stories about this award were also posted [HERE](#):

[Effingham Daily News](#)

[The XRadio Local News](#)



