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Greetings People,

I am usually a freak fan of the Olympics. I relish in the international spirit of it all. The "amateur" talent and competition. And the supposed opportunity to learn of places around the world. I get giddy when I see the curated bits of athletes crossing borders and cheering one another on beyond their own country. There is a value of being with others who can ignite and inspire one another to our best faithfulness.

This is one of our intentions through the Learning Labs with Convergenceus.org. You are in the virtual "room" with others from our own presbytery learning and sharing best practices. We are being guided by some experts in the field who have a larger view and engagement from around our country. We intend for each of our congregations and communities to participate in "Olympics" of Learning Labs. And maybe by the end of the Fall, we can award the Gold, Silver, and Bronze to leaders from within our presbytery who have been ignited and inspired!

Already, a crew of worship tech disciples are putting together a collaborative package of more tech teaching opportunities as they were inspired by a Learning Lab. The Olympic game beauty for me was that without attending the NCP only Learning Lab, they would not have met one another! Look for more info coming soon through NCP social media outlets.

Remember, this Thursday is *Learning Lab 3: The Balanced Leader: Leading from Within Without Burning Out facilitated with Rev. Cameron Trimble, June 24th*. Remember, all you need to do is register through the exclusive NCP link in the flyer or <u>here</u> and you have access to each Learning Lab throughout the year. This is a great way to get others from within your congregations and communities to engage in the shared learning power. And to be inspired with others. We want congregational leaders to meet one another through these virtual transitions.

We look forward to learning with you.

Peace and Courage,

Rev. Tara Spuhler McCabe

