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John Knox asks those who want to help to check the Web site first before calling

Noting the challenges of keeping up with telephone calls, the staff of John Knox Presbytery is asking all those who want to help with flood recovery to check the presbytery's Web site before calling the presbytery office.

The presbytery's Web site is www.jknox.org.

The Web site is being updated regularly, including a "needs list" and volunteer information. "We are doing our best to keep the flood information as current as possible," a note from the presbytery staff stated.

Judy Crotsenberg, presbytery administrator, wrote "We just are not ready to receive calls about outside work groups yet. We are still in what we are calling the 'recovery' phase. When we get to the 'reconstruction' phase things will be different."

The presbytery staff offered its thanks for the response it has already received. "The presbytery has been just awesome in responding to the needs that we are sending out to you regarding the flooding. It is wonderful and inspiring to see this presbytery spring into action when needed."

The presbytery office's telephone and Internet services are operational, but the staff noted, "Our main telephone line still has some unexplained hang-ups. ... Keeping up with the telephone calls and Internet messages is challenging. We apologize for any delays, but we will get back to you."

Contributions to the relief effort can be made to Account DR#000015 - "Midwest Flooding" through normal church channels; by going online to the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Web site (<http://www.pcusa.org/pda/response/usa/midwest-flooding-index.htm>) or by calling PresbyTel at 800-872-3283; or by mailing a check to Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), Central Receiving Service, 100 Witherspoon Street, Louisville, KY 40202-1396.