



## Standing Our Holy Ground Webinar Series

### The Theological Grounding of Our Gun Violence Policies

September 25, 2019 at 2pm (EST)

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How does our reformed faith tradition understand gun violence, prevention, and gun ownership? “Standing Our Holy Ground” is a year-long webinar series about gun violence and what the faith community can do about it. This episode will explore theology around guns and the most recent policy of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), *Gun Violence, Gospel Values: Mobilizing in Response to God’s Call*.

#### Panelist Background



**Jim Atwood** is a Presbyterian minister, who served three churches in Wallace, North Carolina, Springfield, Virginia, and at The Trinity Presbyterian Church of Arlington, Virginia, from which he retired in 1999. He served as interfaith chairperson for the Million Mom March in 2000. He has written numerous articles and three books on the issue of gun violence: “America and Its Guns: A Theological Exposé” with a foreword by Walter Brueggemann and in 2017, he published “Gundamentalism and Where It Is Taking America.” His third book *Collateral Damage: Changing the Conversation about Faith and Firearms* will be released November 5, 2019 by Herald Press. In 2014, he was named Peace Seeker of the Year by the Presbyterian Peace Fellowship and was recently named the recipient of the 2018 David Steele Distinguished Writer Award by the Presbyterian Writer’s Guild. He lives in Harrisonburg, Virginia.



**Rev. Chris Iosso** is Coordinator of the Advisory Committee on Social Witness Policy (ACSWP), the body tasked with providing analysis and recommendations to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) on matters of Christian conscience. The range of current and recent studies include Central America conditions and migration, the status of Jerusalem, the teaching of humanities in Presbyterian-related colleges and universities, reforming drug policies, and the risks of new technologies. He was the primary staff person with the team that prepared the General Assembly’s policy, *Gun Violence, Gospel Values*. He co-edits the on-line journal, *Unbound*, at [www.justiceUnbound.org](http://www.justiceUnbound.org).

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