



Happening Around the Presbytery

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Upper Ohio Valley Presbytery

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Office Hours: Mon–Thurs, 9:00 am–5:00 pm.

In an emergency after office hours, call 304-266-8154.

If we learn to laugh at ourselves, we will always have something to make us happy.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Mike Lenno	Karen Edwards	Matt Camlin	Debbie Hale
Gene Toot	Susan Lehosky	R. H. "Mac" McCuen	David Brocklehurst
Susan McMannis	Philip Keevil	Sharon Willits	Dakota Partnership
Linda Turner	Melanie Blount	Simon Looking Elk	Vickie Whinnery
Cindy Foster	David Schoolcraft	Domasi Partnership	Dr. Lew & Ruth Stevens
Dave Roberts	Connie Quinn	Cherilyn Bown	All Service men & women
Homer harden	Gary Nylund		

Pray for our presbyters, family members, and friends hospitalized or in nursing homes.

Pray for peace and an end to violence and hatred.

Please keep us informed of any prayer concerns you may have.

PRAYER FOR UOVP PASTORS. Select one of these pastors and remember him/her in your prayers this week: Margie Zellars, Ginny Zoric, Laurie Armstrong, Ruth Ellen Bates, Tyler Bayless.

OUR WEBSITE. We still haven't gotten everything squared away on the website. If you need something but can't get it, please call the Presbytery Office.

EMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN Church is looking to hire a Secretary. The position is part-time, nine hours a week, three days a week. You must have good computer skills as you will be preparing the weekly bulletin, keep up our Facebook Page, share advertising information and other duties. Start date is ASAP. If you are interested in this position, send your resume to Emmanuel Presbyterian Church, 767 Park Blvd., East Liverpool, OH 43920, or by email to emmpresb@yahoo.com.

LAUGHLIN MEMORIAL CHAPEL, a non-profit serving children and their families in the Wheeling area, has an immediate need for a part-time coordinator for a career-oriented teen program that is being offered in partnership with the Synod. Responsibilities will include recruiting career mentors, providing life-skills and/or career-based educational activities, facilitating the twice-per-month meetings, organizing and hosting a "teen job fair," marketing, and ending the year with a weekend retreat. For details, please contact Laughlin Memorial Chapel at [\(304\) 232-2630](tel:3042322630) or laughlinchapel@lumos.net.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN Church, 1307 Chapline St., Wheeling, has hosted a midweek service for a couple decades. We have changed the format in 2020 to be a prayer service on Wednesdays from 12:00 to 12:30 in our chapel. We would love for this prayer to include more Presbyterians who work downtown or have reason to be in the area on Wednesdays at noon. I would also like to have more Presbyterian clergy and staff join me as often as possible and maybe lead the service occasionally. The Rev. Mike O'Neil 979 799-8130.

BECOME A MATTHEW 25 CHURCH. Matthew 25 is a bold new vision and invitation from the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) that calls all of us to actively engage in the world around us, so our faith comes alive and we wake up to new possibilities. By accepting the Matthew 25 invitation, you can help our denomination become a more relevant presence in the world. Find out more and join us on this journey. [Learn more →](#)

ANNUAL STATISTICAL REPORT. Clerks of session [or their helpers] now have access to GA's statistics page <http://oga.pcusa.org/stats>. The deadline to submit your Statistical Report to General Assembly has been extended to **Thursday, February 20, 2020**. If you cannot file by this date or have questions about filing the report electronically, please call our Stated Clerk. There is no booklet to print off for help; however, there is some info for filing this report on the presbytery's website www.uovpresby.org [in the blue box at the top, click on Annual Reports, then Reports to be Submitted to General Assembly. Scroll down.].

YOUTUBE. Pittsburgh Presbytery created a brief youtube tutorial for their churches. It is presbytery specific, but can be a helpful tool in general for any clerk of session. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3yncw4HjXdA>

CLERK'S ANNUAL QUESTIONNAIRE. Please submit your Clerk's Annual Questionnaire to General Assembly by next **Friday, February 14, 2020.** If you would like to review the questions before completing the online survey, click here to access a PDF of the survey: <http://surveygizmolibrary.s3.amazonaws.com/library/271279/2019CAQ.pdf>. After you have reviewed the PDF document, click this link to enter the information online: <https://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/5350526/2019-Clerk-s-Annual-Questionnaire>.

ANNUAL REPORTS to presbytery can be mailed to the presbytery office.

THANK YOU to all clerks who have already submitted all your reports!

Happy Birthday:

February 6 ~ Connie Quinn, connie_quinn@comcast.net

February 8 ~ Randall Krebs, 120 Cunningham Dr., Steubenville, OH 43952

PITTSBURGH THEOLOGICAL Seminary Offers Lenten Devotional and Resources. The Seminary is pleased to offer our [2020 Lenten Devotional](#). This free online resource provides a devotional for each day of Lent based on the Presbyterian Church (USA)'s daily lectionary. This year's devotionals are written by Distinguished Alumnae/i Award winners and two Board members and can be accessed in various ways:

- [Read and listen online or print and share.](#)
- Receive daily e-mails. [Enter your information online](#) and select "Devotionals (Advent & Lent)."
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- Download our free Android or Apple app. Visit the store and search for "Devotions - Advent & Lent."
- Request your printed copy. Call 412-362-5610 or e-mail reception@pts.edu.

Additionally, other downloadable Lenten resources include the Big Book of Lent (multiple devotions per day), sermons and Lenten reflections, and sample bulletins. Plus, get woodwind instrument sheet music perfect for the youth in your congregation, and a customizable PowerPoint presentation. *****

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SOUL SHOP. You are invited to attend Soul Shop, a one-day workshop which equips congregational leaders to minister to those impacted by suicidal desperation. After providing a Biblical framework for understanding and preventing suicide, the specialist will develop greater suicide awareness and basic conversation skills, as well as make space, inviting those who have been suicidal in the past to share their stories. **There are two opportunities to attend:**

Saturday, March 7, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at Christ Presbyterian Church, 530 W Tuscarawas St., Canton, OH 44702;

and **Monday, June 8,** 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at Camp Wakonda, 5045 Dyewood Rd SW Sherrodsville, OH 44675. The workshop at Camp Wakonda has a youth ministry focus, but is open to everyone.

We believe so strongly in this important program, that we are freely offering it, but we might suggest a donation of \$20/ person. Lunch will be included. (Additional support and resources provided by the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, Ohio Chapter.) Register online at www.cantoncpc.org or call 330-456-8113. If you have any questions, contact Pastor Michael Wallace, Christ Presbyterian Church, Canton, OH, mwallace@cantoncpc.org.

FUTURE CHURCH SYMPOSIUM for Presbytery Leaders in the Synod of the Trinity. Pastor Jordan Rimmer and Northminster Church in New Castle, PA, will host the second annual Future Church Symposium **on April 18, 2020.** Author and church strategist Reggie McNeal will spend the day talking about where the world is going and how to be a church that is ready for the future. Throughout the day there will also be time for question and answer. The Symposium will be 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and is \$35 including lunch. Reggie will also be preaching at Northminster the next day. More information and registration is available at www.futurechurchsymposium.com.

PASTORS & RULING ELDERS ~ Continuing Ed Workshops Spring 2020 (Presented by Inter-Presbytery Leadership Formation IPLF):

Re-Thinking Atonement. As we approach the Lenten season, this workshop will help us preach and teach afresh the ways the Scriptures speak about the difference that the cross makes. The New Testament draws mainly on two elements of the Old Testament to interpret Jesus' death: the sacrifices of Israel's cult (as described in Leviticus) and the figure of the suffering servant (as described in Isaiah during the time of exile). But how did first century Jews understand the sacrifices and the figure of the suffering servant? And what did they mean when they drew on these to talk about Jesus' death? And what does all of this do to our take on atonement? This workshop will help us think about these questions. **Saturday, February 8, 2020, 12:30–3:30 pm.** Instructor: Rev. Dr. Edwin Chr. van Driel, PTS

Pastoral Care: Help for Those Affected by Addiction. Pastoral care with addicted persons or those family members affected by the addiction can be challenging for those seeking to shepherd the congregation. Providing care-giving in ways that are realistic, acknowledge the issues and demonstrate the love of God are ongoing concerns of both the Pastor and the local congregation. Building upon traditional pastoral care, this workshop will focus on particular practices and resources in addressing these questions. **Saturday, March 14, 2020, 12:30-3:30 pm.** Instructors: Rev. Lee McDermott & Rev. Robert Hedges

Polity. Class objectives are to provide leaders with the basic background and structure of Presbyterian Polity; to equip leaders to lead Session and Congregation with approval of Presbytery; and to introduce essential structure of the Constitution of the PCUSA as a tool for leaders. **Saturday, April 18, 2020, 12:30-3:30 pm.** Instructor: RE John Rodgers, Stated Clerk, Washington Presbytery

Proclaiming the Word. Called to proclaim the Word, we often associate this responsibility with preaching during worship services. While exegesis and hermeneutics are covered elsewhere, this workshop will challenge and encourage you in both the preparation and practices of proclaiming the Word. Whether you are an experienced preacher or someone just beginning, all of us want to continue to grow in this important calling. **Saturday, May 16, 2020, 12:30-3:30 pm.** Instructor: Rev. Ken Foust, Grace Community Presby. Church

All of the workshops will be held at **Redstone Presbytery Center, 1004 Mt. Pleasant Road. Greensburg, PA 15601.** To register or questions, contact: Bobbie Martin at Redstone Presbytery. Call 724-837-6737 or e-mail secretary@redstonepresbytery.org.

THE NATIONAL OFFICES of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), a corporation, based in Louisville, Kentucky, has the following job openings:

- Chief Financial Officer/Chief Operating Officer(ASG)
- Senior Translator Korean (ASG)
- Senior Translator Spanish (ASG)
- Editor I – Term contract, Part Time (PMA)
- Program Assistant (Mission Specialist for Asia and the Pacific – PMA)
- Program Assistant (Mission Specialist for Financial Aids for Services – PMA)
- Mission Associate, International Property (PMA)
- Associate for African American Intercultural Congregational Support (PMA)
- Associate for Inter-religious Engagement (PMA)
- Associate for Pastoral Formation (PMA)
- Director of History and Records/PHS Executive Director (OGA)

For more info on the above list, contact the Presbytery Office. For lists of all job opportunities, please visit www.pcusa.org.
