

# Happening Around the Presbytery

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Upper Ohio Valley Presbytery

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**UOVP PEACEMAKING SUBCOMMITTEE:** [www.peacemakingthroughthearts.org](http://www.peacemakingthroughthearts.org)

## PLEASE CONTINUE TO KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Mike Lenno	Karen Edwards	Frank Lewis	Homer Harden
John Lewis	Ann Varner	Wally Jancura	Vickie Whinnery
Alice Lucarelli	Karen Lucarelli	R. H. "Mac" McCuen	Gary Conaway
Jack Visser	Glen Baker, Jr.	Sharon Willits	Debbie Hale
Bryan Perrill	Matt Camlin	Simon Looking Elk	Ruth Ellen Bates
Mike O'Neil	Gene Toot	Domasi Partnership	All service men & women
Susan Lehosky	Dakota Partnership	David Brocklehurst	

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.

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**PRAYER FOR UOVP PASTORS.** Select one of these pastors and remember him/her in your prayers this week: Susan Lehosky, Mike Lenno, Frank Lewis, Trina Lewis, Terry Lucarelli.

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**LIMESTONE PRESBYTERIAN Church** invites you to a **musical praise concert at the Church, Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup>**, at 7:00 p.m., presented by Dan Meredith. This is a free concert and everyone is welcomed. Dan Meredith is known throughout the Eastern United States through his music ministry, "Soli Deo Gloria – Alone to God Be the Glory." His music can be downloaded free from the website [www.sdgmusicministry.com](http://www.sdgmusicministry.com). Please join us for an inspiring musical time. Light refreshments to follow.

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**YOU ARE INVITED:** The Rev. Dr. Nosheen Khan, the first woman ordained as a pastor in the Presbyterian Church of Pakistan, is visiting Eastminster Presbytery as part of the Synod of the Covenant's Mission to the USA Program. She is meeting with the pastors in the Columbiana County part of Eastminster on **Tuesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>**, 2:30 pm at the New Lisbon Presbyterian Church in Lisbon. We would like to invite you and the other pastors at the northern end of Upper Ohio Valley to join us. If you could pass the word around it would be great. If you have any questions give me a call. Thanks, Fritz Nelson, First Presbyterian, Columbiana, (978) 884-2842

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**FOLLOW-UP EVANGELISM CONFERENCE.** There will be a follow-up conversation for people interested in furthering church growth on **Saturday, October 27, 2018;** 9:00 a.m. to Noon at Stone Presbyterian Church, 25 East Cove Ave., Wheeling. Let's encourage one another to share the message of Jesus. This workshop will include a fourfold focus: #1 Identity: Organizing Identity, Passion, and Goals of the Congregation, by Jason Elliott; #2 Stewardship: Balancing the Books: People and Portfolios, by Rich Cunningham and Connie Quinn; #3 Relevance: Real Time—Real Need, by Christina Kestner and Nancy DeStefano; #4 Partnership: Give and Take, by Robert Nagy and David Stammerjohn. For more info, call Jason Elliott at 740-282-4591. **RSVP to the Presbytery Office by October 24<sup>th</sup>:** 304-232-3490 or [uovp@uovpresby.org](mailto:uovp@uovpresby.org).

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**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN Church**, 901 Charles St., Wellsburg, WV, invites you to **A Tribute to Veterans on Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup>**, at 2:00 p.m. Come to a service to honor our vets and those who lost their lives fighting for freedom. We will have a band from Brooke County perform and other musical selections.

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**CALLING ALL CLERKS OF SESSION!** Help your denomination by participating in the **Clerk's Annual Questionnaire (CAQ) 2018!** This questionnaire informs PCUSA agencies about what congregations are doing and what their needs are. **Please complete the questionnaire by Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup>.** [Click here to take the survey.](#)

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**MEDICAL BENEVOLENCE FOUNDATION news:** Our hope is that you will be able to see what your partnership with us continues to do in the developing world. We could not do this without you, so thank you. The Gospel is making a difference

in Malawi. We had representatives from Chogoria Kenya, Ekwendeni Malawi, Hungary, U.S., and Egypt come together in order to facilitate the very first Saline Training in Malawi for our partner hospitals from Ekwendeni, Embangweni, David Gordon, Daeyang Luke, and Nkhoma. What is Saline Training, and how does it make a difference in sustainable health care? [Click here to read more.](#)

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**SUPPORT THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE** and recovery from recent international disasters. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) urges your support for those affected by the recent earthquake in Haiti; monsoon flooding in Kerala state, India; earthquakes resulting in a tsunami and volcanic eruption in Indonesia; and Super Typhoon Mangkhut in the Philippines, China and surrounding areas. Due to lack of widespread media coverage of these disasters, PDA needs your help to ensure that it can continue providing emergency response and long-term recovery support. Priorities for each disaster include WASH (water and sanitation for health), restoration of livelihoods, water sources and food security. The needs in each context are vast and diverse and will require substantial resources. Through your prayerful gifts, we know that God’s healing may spring up quickly and that hope will be drawn out of the chaos.

**Give:** Financial support for relief efforts can be designated to DR999999, which supports the church’s response to international disasters. Gifts can be made [online](#), by phone at (800) 872-3283, or by check, which can be mailed to Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700. Or you can make your check out to Upper Ohio Valley Presbytery, memo line DR999999—international disasters, and mail it to the Presbytery Office, 907 National Road, Wheeling, WV 26003. We will forward it on to General Assembly.

**Act:** [Download](#) and use the bulletin insert. Learn how you and your congregation can help families who have lost everything in the devastation. Stay informed and [like us](#) on Facebook, [download resources](#), and share updates with your congregation.

**Pray:** Pray for those who suffered loss of family or home or for those who are working tirelessly to provide rescue, humanitarian aid, and spiritual and psychological support.

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**PCUSA STORE.** The [Being Reformed](#) workbook series, currently with eight titles, offers in-depth study of church life: [Ruling Elders: Formation](#); [Ruling Elders: Transformation](#); [Deacons](#); [New Members](#); [Baptism](#); [The Lord’s Supper](#); [Race and Reconciliation](#); [Exploring Confirmation](#). Each workbook connects faith to head, heart, and hands, and provides study material, questions for reflection and discussion, and space for individual journaling. [Visit now](#) to see individual product descriptions. Look for the red rectangle on each product page to download a free sample.

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**PCUSA NEWS. [Mission vs. property maintenance.](#)** *Kate Kotfila | Presbyterians Today.* Stop battling over where the money goes.

**[Mid Council Leaders talk per capita, General Assembly and social justice issues.](#)** *Rick Jones | Office of the General Assembly Communications.* Workshops and prayer over national issues cap off second day.

**[Mid Council Leaders commemorate the 20th anniversary of Matthew Shepard’s beating.](#)** *Rick Jones | Office of the General Assembly Communications.* Prayer offered during afternoon session.

**[Presbyterian Disaster Assistance National Response Team deploys in aftermath of Hurricane Florence.](#)** *Scott O’Neill | Presbyterian News Service.* Flooding and property damage to those most vulnerable mark storm’s remnants.

**[National Council of Churches Calls for Withdrawal of Kavanaugh Nomination.](#)** *Statement from the National Council of Churches.* NCC asks for Kavanaugh’s immediate withdrawal.

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