

Happening Around the Presbytery

July 22, 2020

**Upper Ohio Valley Presbytery 907 National Road Wheeling, WV 26003
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Visit us at www.uovpresby.org Office Hours: Mon–Fri, 9:00 am–3:00 pm.

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

“My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.” Matthew 6:21

Pray for those sick with the corona virus, first responders, nurses, doctors, and the families who lost loved ones.

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

Pray for Our Country and those who govern

Please pray for our Churches and those who minister.

Please pray for our school administrators, parents, teachers and students as they navigate new realities of school during the pandemic.

WEEKLY PRAYER FOR UOVP PASTORS. Select one of these pastors and remember him/her in your prayers this week: Michael Bongart, Royce Browder, Claudia Brown, Bill Brown, and Karen Byrne

It's Time to Order Presbyterian Planning 2020-2021 Calendars!

This 16 month calendar –starting with September 2020 and ending with

September 2021. The calendars will be shipped from PCUSA mid August.

(Pastors that have churches should be receiving a free one directly from the

PCUSA store.)The office will take pre-paid orders now through Monday, July 27th.

\$10.50 each (\$9.75 plus shipping costs), payable to UOVP.

The Office must have your check before we place the order. Orders must be picked up at the Presbytery Office, we are unable to mail them out. Thank you for your attention and understanding helping us be good stewards. If you do not order from the Presbytery Office, you can call Presbyterian Distribution Service 1-800-524-2612 to place your order and have it shipped directly to you. Have your PIN number ready for them as that acts as your charge card number. **If you order 1 - 9 copies, \$16.95 each plus shipping; 10 — 49 copies, \$14.50 each plus shipping, 50+ copies \$9.75 each plus shipping.**

RECOGNIZING RACISM – “Jesus Christ and the Dividing Wall: Race and God’s Mission” is this year’s World Mission Initiative Conference. For 2020 the conference will move on-line.

Please consider joining in, wherever you might log in! <https://www.pts.edu/wmi-conference>

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN announces the cancellation of PW Prayer Retreat that was scheduled for August 15, 2020 due to the resurgence of COVID-19.



TRINITY PARISH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH will host the **FREE COMMUNITY DINNER** this **Saturday July 25, 3-5 PM.** Please note that we are returning to the **NEWELL VFD SOCIAL HALL, NEWELL WV.** Due to social distancing this meal is take out only and no entry to the hall before 3:00. This

month's dinner is BBQ pork, green beans, fruit, and brownies. The **FREE COMMUNITY DINNER** is a mission of Trinity Parish Presbyterian Church and is open to all. Frank Lewis is the Pastor.

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INFORMAL PRESBYTERY ZOOM MEETING AUGUST 11-PLEASE REGISTER

The UOVP Presbytery is hosting another "Informal" Presbytery meeting via zoom. **August 11, 2020 at 6:00 pm via Zoom.** The intent for this informal get-together is to refine methods for voting and speaking in preparation of future digital Presbytery meetings. Please register by emailing Christine@uovpresby.org **Additional information about this meeting will be emailed out this week.**

If your church would like an email invitation sent to different commissioners, please send that information to Christine in our Presbytery Office at Christine@uovpresby.org

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PEACEMAKING. During the March 14, 2020, stated meeting of Upper Ohio Valley Presbytery, an action was taken to encourage Presbyterians to write letters of encouragement to detainees in camps on our southern border, letters of faith, accompaniment, and support. There are still some detainees who have not had contact with the outside world in long periods of time. These letters have proven to be a lifeline. They can be written in English. In this period of pandemic, this need continues and increases. Please take this as a mission project now in your "sheltering at home time." Place letters in a blank envelope and then another envelope and address and send to St. Mark's Presbyterian Church, % CMDVP, 3809 East Third St., Tucson, AZ 85716. If you have questions, you can call Jackie Hutyera at 740/491-7251.

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IS GOD CALLING YOU TO FURTHER LEADERSHIP?

If you are a Ruling Elder, God might be calling you to preach or become more involved in pastoral service. Upper Ohio Valley Presbytery, with four neighboring presbyteries, will be continuing the **Inter-Presbytery Leadership Formation (IPLF)** training program for the preparation of possible "Commissioned Pastors" for the future. New students may begin in the fall of 2020. The program includes both classroom and hands-on experiences, and you will receive training and mentorship that will help you grow as a leader in Christ's Church. If interested, please contact Dee Kovach deekovach@att.net. A list of the Fall 2020, workshops and descriptions, and application booklet for the program can be found under **Items of Interest** on our website. These classes are also great for continuing education as well.

The class for the fall of 2020 is New Testament with Skip Noftzger as instructor. The dates for the fall classes are August 22, September 12, October 10, November 14 and December 12 and will be held at the Redstone Presbytery. The New Testament class will be in the morning on these dates and workshops will be offered in the afternoon

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LAST WEEK TO REGISTER FOR POGO!

FIRST WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH will be hosting the 24th Annual POGO Golf Tournament. August 3, at Spring Hills Golf Club in East Springfield, OH. Foursome teams are requested only. **Please register by Friday July 24 by calling FWPC, 740-282-4591.** \$45.00 per player. Proceeds benefit

Cancer Dietary Initiative.

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HAPPENINGS CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE UNDER ITEMS OF INTEREST. Each issue will be posted for three weeks. Updates or News Items are due by 9 am Wednesday for the Happening of the Week.