

## Happening Around the Presbytery

October 7, 2020

### Upper Ohio Valley Presbytery

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304-232-3490 Visit us at [www.uovpresby.org](http://www.uovpresby.org)

**Office Hours: Mon–Fri, 9:00 am–3:00 pm. The office will be closed Monday October 12, in observance of Columbus Day**

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

*Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever. Psalm 107:1*



Starting in October, we will be sending out Prayer Concerns and Birthday Celebration announcements in a separate communication from Happenings

We do want to celebrate with Cove on the 90<sup>th</sup> birthday this week of one of their members Hugh Manley. We rejoice that he is doing well and has reached an amazing milestone in his long time church.

### IMPORTANT DATES COMING UP

**October 9** The Board of Pensions Employer Agreement Due date is this Friday, October 9 2020. This includes agreement for all minister members and other members employed by the church. <https://www.pensions.org/>.

**November 9 Minutes Review Due to Presbytery:** Forms are on the website. Directories were sent out again this week with contact information for clerk of session. . We have received 7 churches reports already!

**November 12** Tentative Docket Times for December Presbytery are due to Stated Clerk

**November 16 Tentative** Editable emailed Reports for December Presbytery are due at 9 am.

**December 12** STATED Meeting of the Presbytery TBD

### OFFICE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The office will be closed this **Monday, October 12, Columbus Day**. The office will be open 9-3 Tuesday-Friday next week. If you are looking for a form on the website, please look under **items of interest on the website or Spotlight**. The website has some broken links which necessitated the moving of forms. The directories are also on the website, contact the office if you need the login for the directory or pulpit supply.

## FACEBOOK UPDATE

The **UOVP Presbytery** has created an official and authorized **Facebook Page** [The Upper Ohio Valley Presbytery](#) that is administrated by staff/officers. Please go find it and like it! My Facebook persona is UOVP Christine, if you want to be my friend!



According to the handout from the "Livestreaming Workshop, here are a few facts why **FACEBOOK** matters.

Facebook is used by over 70% of adults in the US.

51% of teenagers use Facebook, about the same percentage as people 65+.

52% of adults get news from Facebook.

The average user spends 58minutes on Facebook daily.

Facebook is now ranked the 4<sup>th</sup> most visited website WORLDWIDE

The average engagement rate for Facebook posts is 3.6. That engagement rate increases to 6.1% when the post includes video content.

Facebook pages are public and viewable and to anyone on Facebook. They also show up in Google Search results.

Facebook groups are used by over 1.4 billion people.

### Synod of the Trinity Grant Offer!

The past few months have presented new needs, new missional opportunities and new relationships. Have you been challenged in new ways to partner with other denominations to live out the love of Christ in your community? Has a local ministry need emerged or been pondered during these COVID impacted times? There may be grant support available to you to carry out this important work. The Ecumenical Grant is a one-time grant of up to \$2,000 and the application deadline is Nov. 1.

<https://www.syntrinity.org/ecumenical-grant/> for more information

**THERE'S STILL TIME** to register yourself and your discussion group for **JESUS CHRIST AND THE DIVIDING WALL: RACE AND GOD'S MISSION**. Excellent help to get started (or make progress) discussing inter-racial tensions, justice, and Christian responsibility. <https://www.pts.edu/wmi-conference>

. Please share what you are doing to grow the Kingdom please send us a blurb! Let us know how you are providing light in your community and within your church!

***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.***