

## **PRESBYTERY PRAYER PARTNERS**

### **April, 2014**

The Presbytery of Ohio Valley encourages all our congregations to pray for each other throughout the year. Over a two-year period, a week will be designated for each of our churches and other organizations. Items listed below have been sent to us from the churches and organizations on our prayer list for the weeks shown. Sharing prayers with each other works! **Note: The person who prepares your worship bulletins and/or church newsletters may request this information in a Word document from [bbsnyder22@gmail.com](mailto:bbsnyder22@gmail.com). It is also available on the POV website.**

#### **Week of April 6**

#### **Grace, Clarksville (SE)**

**Rev. Charlie Pye**

Grace Church is a both vibrant congregation and a dying church.

We have accepted that our death will come and believe we have heard God's call to die in faithful recognition of the resurrection. Our ministry is to pray for each other, visit as often as possible, and to come together when weather permits.

We host a prayer lunch each month at First Pres. of Jeffersonville IN, hold one musical church service each month at the Windsor Ridge Assisted Living facility in Jeffersonville, and engage ourselves, as we can, in the regular worship and community life of the Jeffersonville church.

#### **Week of April 13**

#### **Fairlawn, Columbus (NC)**

**Rev. Anne Marshall**

Fairlawn Presbyterian Church has about 150 members and is located on the east side of Columbus, Indiana. We were planted by First Presbyterian Church, Columbus in 1963. We have a very active membership with the majority of our congregation members serving on a ministry team, singing with the choir or serving in some other volunteer capacity. We have also added a worship band to our music ministry that plays about once a month.

One of our largest missions is sponsoring a preschool program. About one fourth of our preschool students are on scholarship and have financial need. We have been praying about how our congregation might better reach out to the families involved in our preschool program.

Please pray for us as we are doing mission discernment to discover where God is leading us to engage our community.

#### **Week of April 20**

#### **Your Own Congregation**

#### **Week of April 27**

#### **First, Columbus (NC)**

**Rev. Scott Hill**

Our congregation has engaged in a very fruitful strategic planning process during our interim period. Though the departure of both pastors has left us making a lot of adjustments, we have been blessed as leaders have stepped forward. Our key goals for the next few years include deepening our everyday spirituality, reaching out to young adults and families, and developing worship and other activities outside our building. We continue to be very involved in the community, but look for new opportunities to engage our neighborhood. Pray for us to pursue

those goals with energy and creativity. We are seeking God's guidance to find our next pastor, but even more to become the church God is calling us to be.

Along those lines, we are excited about this summer's high school mission trip to South Dakota and the middle school trip to Detroit, as well as hosting Rev. Alan Boesak from South Africa in May for our Laws lecture. Your prayers are appreciated!