

PRESBYTERY PRAYER PARTNERS

January 2017

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. It is also available on the POV website.

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Week of January 1, 2017

POV Candidates and Inquirers

James C Blankenkemper (Brownstown) is a candidate for ministry and has been approved to seek a call.

Marietta Macy (Spencer) is a candidate and is currently working as Director of Children and Youth at FPC/Columbus. #

Sarah VanderZee McKenney (Bloomington First) is a candidate for ministry and has been approved to seek a call. #

Heather Thiessen (Corydon) is currently an inquirer.

Please pray for them in their preparation for ministry, their health, wellbeing and wholeness. May the Lord protect and bless them as we bless them on their journey and hold them and lift them up in our prayers. #

Week of January 8

Canaan, Jefferson

Jefferson is a small country church north of Madison. We are presently without a pastor, and so our elders are taking turns preaching. We will appreciate your prayers.

Week of January 15

Madison

Rev. Scott Hookey

Madison Presbyterian Church has completed its bicentennial celebration. The church is presently involved in broad conversations about the future, seeking ways to engage the congregation in this discernment process. We are working to build on a number of small study and fellowship groups. The church celebrates a strong music program as well as a significant outreach ministry. Our Board of Deacons distributes Thanksgiving baskets every year, sponsors an Angel Tree and is one of the few organizations in town that offers utility assistance to county residents. Prayers would be welcomed for our visioning process.

Week of January 22

Smyrna-Monroe, Madison

Nichole Miller

Smyrna-Monroe Presbyterian Church is located in the country northwest of Madison. Under the leadership of our student pastor, Nichole Miller, we are enjoying a monthly Bible study on prayer practices. We celebrate that members of the congregation are becoming more active in worship, helping with things like doing scripture readings and serving as acolytes, for example.

We are thankful that we and Hanover Presbyterian Church held a joint Christmas Eve worship service, with our own service then on Christmas Day.#

We would appreciate prayers for our aging members, that they would be safe in travels and would be surrounded with God's blessing for well-being, We would also appreciate prayers for God's Spirit of resurrection to be with us as we discuss the future of our small church.#

Week of January 29

First, Martinsville

Rev. Richard Van Doren

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