

Presbytery Prayer Partners

October 2022

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!

Prayer Partners is available for download from <http://www.presbyteryov.org/prayers.htm>

Week of October 2nd

Hanover Presbyterian Church, Hanover

Founded in 1820, Hanover Presbyterian Church is located near Hanover College, and continues to be a worshipping community for Hanover College and Hanover resident(s). As a More Light congregation we strive to 'do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our God.' Small in number and fervent in spirit, we are committed to serving our community and to asking big questions.

We are in times of transition, welcoming Rev. Roger Veliquette as our new Transitional Pastor, while also celebrating the arrival of a full-time daycare/preschool in collaboration with the larger Hanover community. We ask for prayers from the Presbytery for imagination, discernment, and encouragement. We wish to see what the Spirit is up to in our midst today and strive to be good stewards of what we have been given.

Week of October 9th

First Presbyterian, Jeffersonville

Rev. Eric Wright

First Presbyterian in Jeffersonville has been a downtown church for 192 years! We are a PCUSA Matthew 25 vital congregation; serving, supporting and actively ministering in the community through the Center for Lay Ministries food pantry and Bliss House, Loaves & Fishes, Clark County Youth Shelter, Community Kitchen, Catalyst Rescue Mission, Exit 0, D.I.A.P.E.R. project, and Girl Scout Troop 1621's on-site food pantry. Our ministry as the first certified Earth Care Congregation in Indiana continues to thrive with tree and pollinator garden plantings.

The 175-member congregation has been blessed for two years with full time pastoral leadership provided by the Rev. Eric Wright; who with his wife, Kathryn, son William, and daughter Ava, are committed to issues of justice in Clark County.

The First Prez mission is to faithfully serve God in our community by bringing the Good News of Hope to one another and our neighbors near and far. We covet your prayers as we look forward to partnering with Kentucky Refugee Ministries to welcome our second refugee family. Our first family was from Afghanistan and our second family of seven from the DR of Congo is scheduled to arrive the end of September.

Week of October 16th

Rehoboth Presbyterian Church, Laconia

Rev. Robert Brill

Rehoboth Presbyterian Church is located in the rural community of Laconia, Indiana, and was founded on August 15, 1829. The Hebrew root for the word "Rehoboth" means broad places, open spaces, freedom and spacious. Perhaps this name was originally chosen because of the beautiful land which surrounds the church building. Rehoboth is the second oldest church in Harrison County, Indiana that has remained in continuous, active existence for 193 years.

Week of October 23rd

United Presbyterian Church, Laconia

Founded in 1874, Laconia United Presbyterian Church serves the southern Indiana community of Laconia in Harrison County.

According to the 2020 U.S. Census, the population of Laconia was about 70 people. One Sunday morning of each month (usually the first Sunday of the month), 10-15 people assemble to worship and glorify God. We currently meet at the Laconia Civic Center across from our church building because we had to close down our building due to structural damage. This is a family church with most members related to one another in some way or another. Ages range from preschool to 90 years.

Although it is small in number, Laconia is big in heart and in its outreach and mission. Along with support for National and Presbytery mission efforts, it supports the community food pantry and local school, South Central. Our worship style is welcoming, informal, and kid-friendly. Worship is at 9:30 and all are welcome.

Week of October 30th

Community Presbyterian Church, Leavenworth

Leavenworth Community Presbyterian Church is located in the Southern Indiana town of Leavenworth. We have 12 to 15 active members out of a membership of 40. We are a community-oriented Church, participating in such things as the Local Food Bank, 4H, and Scouts. We also support local schools. We are currently searching for a part time Minister.