

Presbytery Prayer Partners

November 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 November 6th

Presbytery of Ohio Valley Staff

Administrative Associate for Office Support, Rhonda Seymour lives in Bloomington with her husband, Ken. They have two sons, Roman and Donovan, who both live nearby. She appreciates prayers for all coping with long term health challenges.

Administrative Associate for IT Support, Stephanie Worden lives near Ellettsville with her husband, Bill, their children, Logan and Caroline, and their dogs, Storm and Molly. She appreciates your prayers for continued health, peace, and happiness.

Treasurer, Jean Brown and husband, Larry, live in Bloomington. They have two sons, Greg (and Lanett) who are the parents of her two grandsons, Maxton and Preston, living in Frisco, TX, and Eric (and Katy) who live in Bloomington, IN. She requests prayers for a relative fostering and adopting children who have been in the social services system and who need much love and care.

Stated Clerk, Joe Kimmel lives near Paoli Indiana with his wife Nancy. Their three sons, two daughters-in-law, and 11 grandchildren (one in heaven) celebrate family. Prayers are appreciated for each of them in their varied missions with people of all races, disabilities, and religions.

Susan McGhee has served as Executive Presbyter since 2009. She lives in Bloomington with her Calico kitties Kate and Allie. She welcomes your prayers for her family and friends, for the congregations and pastors in our presbytery, and for a spirit of civility in government and society.

Week of November 13th

Lexington Presbyterian Church, Lexington

Rev. Aaron Flucke

Lexington Presbyterian Church is a Christ-centered, Spirit-filled, vibrant, growing community of faith. Our Church was organized in 1818 by a group of Scotch-Irish Presbyterian families. In 1819 Rev. John M. Dickey was installed as the first minister. By 1844 the Church had been relocated and rebuilt on the square in Lexington, IN. Since that time, the Church has had a long and rich history. It has stood as a light in the community and as a testament to God's saving grace.

At Lexington Presbyterian, we seek to love our community and our world in a variety of ways. We actively support the Scott County Community Clearinghouse along with many other faithful churches and businesses. Each year we make sure all of the incoming Kindergarten students at Lexington Elementary School start off the school year on the right foot, with new shoes and a new bible. We give

yearly to Operation Christmas Child and Heifer International. We help support a pastor in Bagdogra, India, and provide support to another pastor in Kathmandu, Nepal. We also provide financial support for an organization called Amigos for Christ that helps rural villages in Nicaragua install a clean water supply. We also support an organization called Centerstone which has a facility in Lexington at the Englishton Park property, a property under care of the Synod. This facility helps women who are battling addiction and living in dangerous environments.

In addition to all of that we have been actively working on building and creating small groups within the Church that are designed to connect our congregation to Jesus and to one another. We would certainly appreciate your prayers in this area as we seek to faithfully lead God's people into a deeper walk of discipleship and into a vibrant community of believers. Continue to pray with us as we seek to reach the lost, hurting and broken people in our community as addiction and poverty are rampant. We would greatly appreciate your prayers as we seek to be a light for Christ in those dark places.

Week of November 20th

United Presbyterian Church, Livonia

Rev. Donald Stokes

The Livonia Presbyterian Church is located one block off of highway 56 in Livonia between Salem and Paoli in western Washington County Indiana. We celebrated our 200th anniversary in 2016. We are very proud of our church building, especially our stained-glass windows.

Each fall we host our fried chicken dinner fundraiser. Beginning in the 1980's, it has become a highly anticipated event in the area. We are blessed to be able to support our community by giving out food baskets at Thanksgiving to those in need. We also donate clothing to two local elementary schools each year at Christmas. We would greatly appreciate prayers for our Minister, Congregation, fundraising efforts, the men and women who serve in our Armed Forces & Law Enforcement, and those afflicted by illness & poverty.

Week of November 27th

Madison Presbyterian Church, Madison

Sandy Fox, Commissioned Pastor

Madison Presbyterian Church is located in beautiful downtown Madison, Indiana, just two blocks from the Ohio River. The church celebrates 207 years of Presbyterian life and service to the community this year. The congregation of 130 members and many friends are bound together through our efforts to Love and Glorify God and Love and Serve Others.

Among all the community organizations and programs in which MPC participates, our service to the children of Jefferson County may be our most important. Every week volunteers gather in the basement of the House of Hope and pack what we call BackSacks. These sacks are gently used Kroger and Walmart plastic bags. Into each bag is an array of all sorts of food for the children to take home on Fridays, to be eaten during the weekend. The bags are delivered to the schools where the teachers know those children who are most at risk. This year we are assembling around 220 bags a week! Last year the number was around 130. Since the program began over 5 years ago, the numbers have

increased. This BackSacks program is entirely funded by the members of MPC and was an original idea of one of our members.

Lastly, we are excited to welcome 5 new members this year. Each Monday evening about 20 people meet to study God's word, and every Tuesday morning about 12 people gather to pray for others; this group is called our Prayer Warriors.

The PNC faithfully meets every week as their search for a new full-time pastor continues. In the meantime, our CRE leads us as we Love and Glorify God and Love and Serve Others.