

PRESBYTERY PRAYER PARTNERS

June 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.

Week of June 4

Roachdale

Rev. David Bower

Roachdale Presbyterian Church is a small rural church in central Indiana located in Roachdale, Indiana. The population of Roachdale is approximately 800. The Presbyterian Church was organized November 22, 1890 in Parkersburg, IN There were 25 original members and 16 of those were women. The town of Roachdale was only 12 years old at that time when the little white church was moved to Roachdale. The church was remodeled and made larger in 1927 and the outward appearance remains the same. The church today has 40 members. We have special programs for the children at Easter and Christmas.

Some activities that we are involved in include:

Fellowship meals ((community)

Gift baskets- those that are homebound with illness or in nursing homes

Food baskets for the needy at Thanksgiving and Christmas

Church camps (average 2-4 children attend)

Mission Program (Heifer International)

Library projects

Grade school projects

Various donations are given to people in need.

Week of June 11

Commissioners to POV Assembly

Please pray for all the Teaching Elders, Ruling Elders, and others who will be preparing for and traveling to and from the POV Assembly in Mitchell on Thursday. Remember especially those from your own church who will be attending.

Week of June 18

Salem

Rev. Beth Walden-Fisher

The Salem Presbyterian Church will be celebrating our 200th anniversary on Sunday, August 13th with a special worship service. All are welcome! Also, please be in prayer for our youth going to Chicago in July for Urban Youth Mission hosted by Fourth Presbyterian Church and funded through the Center for Congregation's Youth Ministry Grant Initiative.

Week of June 25**Churches Seeking Pastoral Leadership**

At any given time in our presbytery, several congregations are in search of pastoral leadership. As of May 2017, one congregation has a pastor nominating committee (PNC) in place and is searching for a full-time pastor, one session is searching for a full-time transitional (interim) pastor, and one is searching for a half-time pastor. Six congregations are being served by transitional pastors, and will be electing PNCs in the next twelve to eighteen months. Still other congregations are exploring the type of pastoral leadership that will best help them be in ministry to one another and their communities. Please pray for discernment for all involved in the search for pastoral leadership, for those pastors searching for a new call, and for the committee on ministry and presbytery staff that help guide congregations and pastors through times of transition.