

PRESBYTERY PRAYER PARTNERS

June 2018

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 3

Eastminster, Evansville

Rev. Dennis Davenport

Eastminster Presbyterian Church is located on the East Side of Evansville. The church will celebrate its 20th anniversary next year, as it was formed in August of 1999 as a result of a merger between the former Washington Avenue Presbyterian Church and the former Eastminster Presbyterian Church.

Eastminster has gone through a challenging time of transition in the past year and a half with the loss of 6 staff members (three through death) who totaled more than 120 years of service to the church at the time of their departure. Through the grace of God, new individuals have been called to step into the void and enabled us to work through a time of grief and move forward in the leading of the Holy Spirit.

This summer, as has become a strong tradition for the congregation, Eastminster will be sending more than 25 of its young people to Camp PYOCA.

Week of June 10

Commissioners to General Assembly

**Ruling Elder, Joe Kimmel,
Minister of the Word and Sacrament, Katrina Pekich-Bundy,
Youth Advisory Delegate, Natalie Cushman**

Please pray for these commissioners from our presbytery, and for the other presbyteries' commissioners, too, as they prepare for and then experience the grueling yet exhilarating opportunity of participating in PCUSA's General Assembly. Pray that they will be filled with peace, wisdom, discernment, and endurance.

Week of June 17

First, Evansville

Rev. Kevin Fleming

First Presbyterian Church in Evansville, is in its 197th year. While some might expect such an old congregation to be slowing down, First Pres is moving right along! We are welcoming new members, celebrating baptisms with children, young people, and adults, and touching our immediate community and world through ministries of meaningful outreach. We have been affiliated with the Royal School of Church Music in America for many years, offering

children and young people an outstanding music education and the opportunity to join with adults in singing for worship every week.

Our ministries with children and youth continue to grow. Next summer, our high school students will take part in the third pilgrimage to the Island of Iona, in the West Hebrides of Scotland, for a week of living in community with people from around the world. A team of members is at work considering what improvements and renovations will be required for our Sanctuary. Our mission team oversees a significant mission budget, creating partnerships near and far, touching the world with God's love.

The congregation is served by three full-time staff members: Kevin Scott Fleming, pastor; Robert Nicholls, Director of Music; and Lora Blaylock, Church Office Administrator. Additionally, the church is served by Jerusha Van Camp, Director of Children and Youth Ministries, and Carolyn Stilwell, Parish Visitor.

Week of June 24

First Avenue, Evansville

Rev. Gene Feagen