**PRESBYTERY PRAYER PARTNERS**

**January 2021**

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 January 3 POV Candidates and Inquirers Katrina Pekich-Bundy, CPM**

**Moderator**

**Jerusha Van Camp** is an Inquirer. She is a member at First Presbyterian Church in

Evansville, where she also works. She’ll begin seminary at the University of Dubuque

Theological Seminary this fall. Please keep her in prayer as she begins this journey of

discernment.

**Marietta Macy** is a Candidate, member at Spencer Presbyterian, Director of Children, Youth,

and Young Adult Ministries at First Presbyterian Columbus and Israel/Palestine Mission Co-

Moderator. She’s completed Clinical Pastoral Education. Please keep her in prayer.

**Heather Thiessen** is a Candidate and member at Corydon Presbyterian. She’s served as

clerk of session and helped ease pastoral transitions. She teaches at Spalding University.

Please keep Heather in prayer.

**Week of January 10 Madison, Jefferson**

**Week of January 17 Madison, Smyrna-Monroe**

Smyrna-Monroe Presbyterian Church is located in Southern Indiana in Jefferson County, near the town of Madison and the Ohio River.  We are a small church in the country with mostly elderly members.  One of our younger members is expecting another child the first of March. One of our previous ministers, Wallace and his wife, Marybelle Hines celebrated their 77th wedding anniversary on December 18, 2020.  We regularly contribute to a local food pantry.  We also contribute to Mission Giving, Seminary, One Great Hour of Sharing, Christmas Joy Offering, and Englishton Park.  Our church is over 180 years old.

**Week of January 24 Synod of Lincoln Trails Rev. Sara Dingman**

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**Week of January 31 Martinsville, First Rev. John Erickson**

The First Presbyterian Church of Martinsville is a small but mighty congregation with a long and rich history in Morgan County.  In fact, we are the only PC(USA) church in the entire county!  I have only been serving with them since July but I have been continually impressed by their devotion to their church, dedication to our Lord, and the ways in which they let their love light shine.  Prior to the pandemic the church was quite active in the community, serving as a meeting place for NA, AA, Kiwanis and the Rotary Club and giving much needed time and support to our local food bank.  What with our proximity to IU we have long been known for our music program which featured both students and professionals from the University.  Alas, Covid has put the brakes on this as well.  However, we strive to move forward and are providing live streaming of our worship services and looking forward, as we all are, to the days when we can meet once again.  My only prayer request would be the God might continue to use these Saints to shine God's love in Martinsville and Morgan county.