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*“Unless the Lord builds the house,
those who build it labor in vain.”*
Psalm 127:1a

For the week of January 17, 2019

The Cincinnati Sampler

MLK SUNDAY JANUARY 20

Martin Luther King Event 2019 is scheduled for Sunday, January 20 from 4-6PM at Carmel Presbyterian Church.

Here are a few details to remember for this annual event:

- **Mass Choir Rehearsal is this Friday, January 18 at 7PM** at Carmel Presbyterian Church. There was a good crowd last week, and more are always welcome to sing in the choir.
- Given the **limited parking** at Carmel, we are welcome to park at the Southern Baptist Church lot directly across the street from Carmel this Sunday afternoon.
- Our **offering will be a gift to “Project Connect” of the Cincinnati Public Schools.** Children account for the fastest growing segment of the homeless population. “Project Connection” provides advocacy paired with specialized educational services and lifestyle enrichment opportunities for children who have neither a voice, nor a choice, in being homeless. CPS serves about 2,000 students who families are homeless. **Be generous Presbytery of Cincinnati!**

Dinner catered by People in Progress/Venice on Vine follows the worship service. You are encouraged to be a message of reconciliation by your presence at the MLK Event 2019 on Sunday, January 20 from 4-6PM at Carmel PC. Thank you!

FINAL SERVICE AT ECPC

In addition to MLK, the Presbytery of Cincinnati hosts another meaningful worship service this weekend, and you are encouraged to participate:

- **Saturday, January 19, 2019 at 3:00PM at Elmwood-Carthage PC**, 6317 Highland Avenue, Cincinnati. This is the final worship service at ECPC. Please bring your supportive presence and prayers.



PRESBYTERY STAFF AND OFFICERS

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- **PRESBYTERY OFFICE HOURS ARE 9AM-2PM** Monday through Thursday

FEBRUARY 2018 PHOTO TO ENCOURAGE YOU

JANUARY 2019

CALENDAR

PRESBYTERY OF
CINCINNATI

Thur 17 Jan

10:30AM CPM Meeting at
the Presbytery Office

Sat 19 Jan

3:00PM Final Worship
Service at Elmwood-
Carthage PC

Sun 20 Jan

4:00PM MLK Worship at
Carmel PC with Dean Ver-
na Williams, Preacher and
a Mass Choir from singers
in the Presbytery.

An offering will be re-
ceived.

Dinner together follows
the worship service.

The worship service is
hosted at Carmel Presby-
terian Church on Reading
Road.

Mon 21 Jan

PRESBYTERY OFFICE
CLOSED in observance of
MLK Day

Tue 22 Jan

9:30AM Bible Study for
Pastors and Preachers at
the Presbytery Office—
Rabbi du Jour is Tom
Dozeman



REGISTER TODAY FOR FEBRUARY

Pictured above is a **photo from our 2018 February Presbytery Meeting of many workshops**, to encourage you to register now! **Workshop Registration Forms** for the Stated Meeting on February 16, 2019 are **posted on the website** at the “Office Forms” tab and the “Presbytery Meeting Docs” tab. You are welcome to bring your Session, Trustees, Deacons, Sunday School Teachers, Youth Leaders, Dedicated Disciples to the February Presbytery Meeting—**and everyone needs a registration form**. Your advance registration helps with assigning rooms for workshops, and for the presenter to have enough materials for participants. Please register today!

NEWS AND NOTES

KENNEDY HEIGHTS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH invites all to celebrate the legacy of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King on Sunday, January 20 at 10:30AM. David Singleton, NKU Professor of Law, and Executive Director of the Ohio Justice and Peace Center is speaking. Come and see what the Lord can do!

IF YOU ARE A CLERK OF SESSION, WE HOPE YOU ARE READING THIS: You should have already received information about the annual statistical report. If a Clerk of Session has not received that information, please email our Stated Clerk, Melana Scruggs, at melana@cpresby.org.

COACHING AND CLERGYWOMEN

Melana Scruggs, the Stated Clerk for the presbytery, is working with a Master level coach to provide **an opportunity for clergywomen to get education, support, and coaching toward growth**. It is set up as a four-month program with two group meetings per month and one individual coaching session each month. It will meet on Tuesdays at 9am ET. The group is limited to 8 people. The **first group meets on January 22** and all sessions are via Zoom.

Many clergywomen feel isolated, need support, and do not use their continuing education time because they either don't have enough funds or they do not want to travel somewhere. Many clergy are also struggling in areas of vocation, self-care, and spiritual growth. This program is designed to help with all these issues at an affordable price. The cost of the 4-month program is \$500, payable in monthly installments, if desired. Some scholarships are available that would reduce the cost by \$200 over the 4-month program for clergywomen members of the Presbytery of Cincinnati. Please email Melana at melana@cpresby.org if you are interested or wish for more info.