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“Praise be to the God and Father of our LORD Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.” 1 Peter 1:3

For the week of April 15, 2019

The Cincinnati Sampler

The One Hopeful Fund

The “One Hopeful Fund” (OHF) of the Presbytery of Cincinnati represents a unified grant system, established by Presbytery last year. The OHF seeks to advance the mission and ministry of the congregations and individual members of the Presbytery of Cincinnati into a collaborative network of partnerships, and will support ideas historically funded through “Local Mission Partnerships” and through “Outdoor/Christian Education Scholarships,” as well as additional ideas on Presbyterian evangelism, justice ministries, congregational revitalization, and leadership development.

Money for the OHF comes solely from the “Shared Basic Mission Support” to the Presbytery of Cincinnati. Shared Basic Mission Support gifts are used for Presbytery (87%), Synod (3%) and General Assembly (10%) mission; the Presbytery portion of a session’s Shared Basic Mission Support is designated for OHF funding. Importantly, no funds from the general budget of the Presbytery will be mixed with the OHF, nor will any funds donated for shared mission be used for the general budget.

Since resources for the OHF will come only from “Shared Basic Mission Support” donations, the success of traditional and new mission programs relies on churches’ participation. This also means that the OHF is a limited source, based on annual designated discretionary gifts from sessions. Please encourage your church to support “Shared Basic Mission” donations to the Presbytery so that we can fund important ongoing ministry in the greater Cincinnati area.

The OHF funding cycle is an annual process, matching the Presbytery’s fiscal year. The Council of the Presbytery is responsible for making decisions on funding requests through the OHF, based on the merits of the request in meeting criteria and mission priorities of the Presbytery. The OHF funds on a first-come, first-served basis, but consideration will be given for need-based requests, should multiple requests be received at the same time and will be approved for funding once per year. Funding, for projects or events, will be for churches, not individuals. There are two categories for OHF requests: 1. Event Hosting (an event or initiative you’re hosting or creating), and 2. Event Attending (an event you are attending as an individual or a small group)

Questions can be directed to the Presbytery Office or to Tyler Pettigrew, Chair of the One Hopeful Fund. We hope you’ll be a part!



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

APRIL 2019

CALENDAR

**PRESBYTERY OF
CINCINNATI**

Have a blessed Holy Week
and a beautiful Easter.
May the joy of the
Resurrected Lord be with
you always!

Tuesday 23 April

9:30AM Bible Study for
Pastors and Preachers,
Presbytery Office—
Rabbi du Jour is Rhoda

Thursday April 25

10:00AM COM Leadership
Meeting
Presbytery Office

Tuesday 30 April

9:30AM Bible Study for
Pastors and Preachers,
Presbytery Office—
Rabbi du Jour is Sharon
Carter

Thursday 2 May

4:00PM Trustees Meeting
Presbytery Office

NEWS AND NOTES

Announcing a New Presbytery Initiative: UKirk at the University of Cincinnati

Want to be part of a dynamic new Presbytery initiative to solidify UC college students' faith? The Presbytery is starting a UKirk Collegiate Ministry at the University of Cincinnati, with ministry activities hopefully beginning with the start of the 2019-20 academic year! Would someone in your congregation love to be a part of the Board that governs the program?

UKirk will operate under the direction of a Board of Directors, who will be appointed by and accountable to Presbytery Council, made up of interested parties from throughout the Presbytery, and will help design and coordinate an active Presbyterian campus ministry on the UC Clifton campus, focused on ministering among UC undergraduate and graduate students. The Board will be constructed of two classes, each serving two-year terms (Class of 2021 and 2022). UKirk will operate primarily through Immanuel Presbyterian Church as the "host church" due to proximity to campus.

Please announce this amazing opportunity widely in your congregation. Board applications can be accessed through the Presbytery office (and as soon as we can we'll have them on the website).

Deacon-palooza!! Calling all deacons! We are offering an informative training on hospital and home visits. Visiting people in the hospital (or at home) presents a unique opportunity to provide support and encouragement to those who are facing challenging circumstances. Join with deacons from around our Presbytery to learn how to make an effective and impactful visit. Training led by Reverends Kelsey Hawisher-Faul and Barb Tesorero. This FREE workshop is offered to you through the efforts of the Deacon Boards of Heritage and Mt. Washington Presbyterian Churches. RSVP to barb@mwpc-church.org.

**June 4 (Tuesday), 2019, 7-8:30 PM
Mt. Washington Presbyterian Church
6474 Beechmont Avenue, Cincinnati**

Summer Job Opportunities

Two Positions, June 10-August 2, 2019

Spend your summer making a difference in the lives of at-risk kids. Church-based neighborhood drop-in program with daily meals and weekly field trips.

Skills needed are experience with at risk, kids, self-motivated, discipline positively, leadership skills, culturally sensitive.

Winton Hills Community Church Phone (513) 641-0412

**Interested? Please send resume to Kathy Angi
(angikathy@yahoo.com) or Wyalene Severin
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