



THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF DANVILLE

MONTHLY NEWS
OCTOBER 7, 2026

Friends,

The fourth annual Danville Pride festival takes place on Saturday, October 17th. Our church has been a sponsor every year, and every year people approach our table to thank us for being a welcoming and safe church - whether they've ever stepped foot in our building or not. Many are family members of a loved one who can rarely be as fully themselves as they can be at the festival. While being LGBTQ+ is only part of a person's identity (just as being an affirming congregation is only part of our identity), nevertheless it is no small thing to be seen and accepted (rather than merely tolerated or outright rejected). That's why we have the small pride flags at the entrances to our building.

The festival takes place at Pioneer Playhouse, from noon till 6:00pm. We'll have a table, and will have goodies to give away and information about the life of our congregation. It's a great opportunity to meet neighbors from Boyle County, as well as folk who come from other counties, near and far. If you're willing to sit at the table for a 2-hour "shift" (noon-2pm, 2-4pm, 4-6pm), [please email me](#). There are a bunch of vendors, food trucks and shows in the main arena, so there's plenty of fun to be had as well the tabling!



You only have to spend a moment on social media to recognize that from the highest office down, the United States is regressing in terms of how we speak about our LGBTQ+ fellow citizens and neighbors, in civil rights, careers, and safety. Our presence at the festival is an important witness to the love of God and neighbor to which Jesus calls us. I look forward to seeing some of you there - both at the table, and around the festival site.

The best is yet to come,

Sean

BUDGET AND FINANCE **GIVING STATEMENTS**

Friends,

As we enter the last quarter of the year you should have received an updated giving statement. We ask that you continue to work toward fulfilling your pledge commitment. If there is a change and you are unable to complete your pledge for the year please reach out to myself or Marty Pirrman, our Business Administrator, so that the Budget and Finance Committee and the Session can plan for the remainder of the year.

Randy Gilbert
Ruling Elder and chair of Budget and Finance Committee



Friends,

Our church is hosting the celebration of Transylvania Presbytery's 240th Anniversary! Join with fellow members of the churches across the Presbytery in the Sanctuary at 3:00pm on Saturday, October 10 for a service of worship with holy communion, followed by a reception in the Fellowship Hall. There will be a display of historical documents and artifacts from the founding congregations, including our own. I hope you'll join the celebration of all that God has done among and through the people called Presbyterian across Central Kentucky and beyond for the past 240 years!

The best is yet to come,

Sean

CONNECT

SAVE THE DATE



It's time for the Halloween Social Chili Cook-off and Scary Dessert Contest! Pull out those famous chili recipes and dream up your scariest desserts. Then join us on Wednesday, October 28 at 5:15pm. Sign-up sheets for chili, dessert, sandwiches, chili toppings, and chili judges are in the Fellowship Hall.

PRESBYDAN MAH JONGG



Are you interested in learning to play the game that is trending across the world? Join the PresbyDan Mah Jongg players each Friday from 1:00-3:00pm in the library for an orientation to the American version of the game. If you know how to play and/or have a set of Mah Jongg tiles and cards, please join us as we introduce our friends to this fun game. Good times and lots of laughs are guaranteed! For more information, please call or text Peggy Tudor at (859) 608-0681.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

WORLD COMMUNITY DAY



Reminder: Mercer/Boyle Church Women United's November World Community Day Celebration will be held on **Friday November 6, 9:30am** at **First Baptist Church 200 W. Walnut St., Danville (corner of Walnut & S. 2nd Street, adjacent to CVS).**

World Community Day emphasizes **PEACE** and has been broadened to include **JUSTICE**, a vital partner of **PEACE**. A Pot luck breakfast begins at 9:30, followed by a brief business meeting and then our Celebration/Worship Service.

If you have a **UNICEF** Box, please bring for the Annual UNICEF offering. If no box, sandwich bags work, too.

FOOD DRIVE: Bring ready to eat food items for donations to the homeless.

Consider serving as a **CHAIRPERSON** for the upcoming year.

For any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Linda Castle at (720) 218- 9007 or Wendy Hood (859) 613-2575.

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BIBLE STUDY

The Bible Study group will meet Thursday at 10:30am. We will continue the study of the Gospel of Luke. Come and join us, all are welcome!



CHURCH COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Did you know that most church committee meetings and the Stated meetings of the Session are open to members of the church? All are invited to come and see what the work of the Session and committees involves. Here is a list of upcoming scheduled meetings:



- Monday, October 12 - Facilities Committee (6:30pm in the Library)
- Tuesday, October 13 - Budget and Finance Committee (7:00pm in the Library)
- Thursday, October 15 - Worship and Music Committee (7:00pm in the Library)
- Tuesday, October 20 - Stated Session Meeting (7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall)
- Thursday, October 29 - Local Mission (9:00am in the Library)
- Monday, November 2 - Deacon's Meeting (6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall)
- Tuesday, November 3 - World Mission (7:00pm in the Library)

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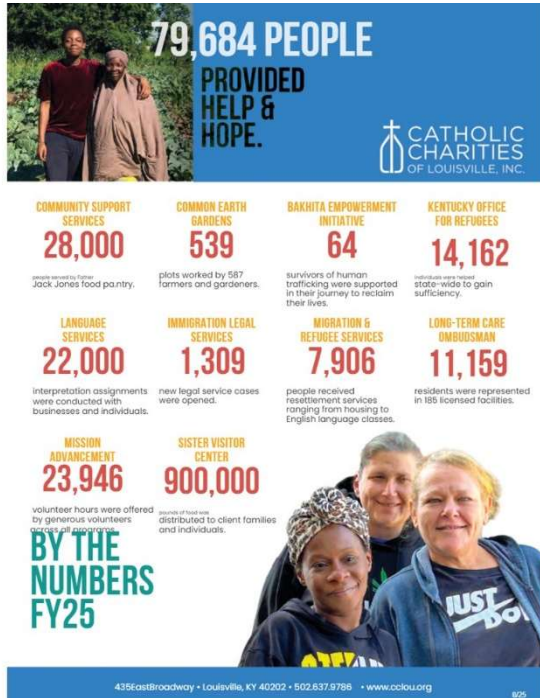
Our next Soups on Us is this Saturday, October 10 beginning at 9:00am.
We also need help on Friday, October 9 at 9:00am with kitchen prep.
Thanks so much!

CENTS-ABILITY



This Sunday, October 11 we will be collecting the Cents-Ability offering during worship. A national program of the PC(USA), congregations invite every member of all ages to set aside a few cents at every meal. This simple act is an expression of thanks for what we have received. The gifts we receive for Cents-Ability are divided evenly between our Soup's on Us ministry and the Presbyterian Hunger Program. Cents-Ability is collected on the second Sunday of each month.

DONATION DRIVE



The week of October 12-16, CentreFaith and Alpha Phi Omega are hosting a donation drive on campus for Catholic Charities Migration and Refugee Services in Louisville, KY. Marae Mallard, Centre student and affiliate member of our church, has invited the congregation to participate. Please bring any of the following items (new and unopened) to the collection box in the Fellowship Hall:

- Dish Soap + Sponges
- Laundry Detergent
- All Purpose Cleaning Spray
- Kitchen Trash Bags
- Mop and Bucket
- Broom and Dustpan
- Toilet Cleaner and Brush
- Microfiber Towels
- Toilet Paper
- Paper Towels
- Bar Soap
- Body Lotion
- Brushes and Combs
- Shampoo and Conditioner
- Deodorant
- Toothbrush and Toothpaste
- Razors and Shaving Cream
- Baby Wash and Baby Lotion
- Diapers
- Feminine Hygiene Products

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



With our church continuing to grow, we need some volunteers to work with our children. There are two volunteer opportunities available. Both of these opportunities require the volunteer to complete a simple background check.

We would like to reopen our church nursery on Sunday mornings. This means that we need two volunteers each Sunday, 9:45-11:15am. Youth are welcome to volunteer, but we need at least one adult each Sunday. There will be a

sign-in sheet for parents to leave their phone numbers in case they are needed during worship. Also, there is a TV in the nursery now, so volunteers will be able to watch the service. If you would like to help, please click the link to the [Sign-Up Genius](#) and select a date. Our youngest disciples will thank you!

We also need one volunteer on Wednesday evenings to help Amy with the children's class from 6-7pm. After dinner on Wednesdays, the children go upstairs to the Godly Play room and have a Bible lesson and activity. Amy needs a helper for this class. If you would like to help, please click the link to the [Sign-Up Genius](#) and select a date. Thanks so much!

CALENDAR

Wednesday, October 7

- 8:00am Grace Café Food Prep
- 9:00am Adult Ed/GED
- 10:00am AA Meeting
- 10:30am Staff Meeting
- 1:30pm Worship Staff Meeting
- 1:30pm Grace Café Snack Bag Prep
- 4:00pm Beginner Dulcimer Class
- 5:15pm Wednesday Night Fellowship
- 6:00pm Adult and Youth Studies
- 6:00pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 8

- 8:00am Grace Café Food Prep
- 9:00am Adult Ed/GED
- 10:30am Bible Study with Jim Erwin
- 5:00pm Danville Dulcimers

Friday, October 9

- 9:00am Soups on Us Prep
- 9:00am Adult Ed/GED
- 10:00am AA Meeting
- 1:00pm Presbydan Mah Jongg

Saturday, October 10

- 9:00am Soups on Us
- 3:00pm Transylvania Presbytery 240th Anniversary Gathering

Sunday, October 11

- 9:00am Christian Formation for All Ages
- 10:00am Service for the Lord's Day
- 11:00am Fellowship
- 5:30pm DYC at The Presbyterian Church

Monday, October 12

- 8:00am Grace Café Food Prep
- 9:00am Adult Ed/GED
- 10:00am AA Meeting
- 4:00pm Monday Prayer Group
- 6:30pm Facilities Committee Meeting

Tuesday, October 13

- 8:00am Grace Café Food Prep
- 9:00am Adult Ed/GED
- 10:00am Recovery Café
- 11:00am Southwind Group
- 3:00pm Centre ASP Tutoring
- 6:00pm Girl Scouts Troop 7 Brownie Scouts Meeting
- 6:00pm Recovery Meeting
- 7:00pm Budget and Finance Committee Meeting