

June 24, 2018

#### **Resources for Churches**

### **New Ministries Fund Grants**

The objective of the PSEC 2020 Vision Plan is to create in our Conference an ethos of expectation, experimentation and transformation AND to develop opportunities for adaptive, creative and entrepreneurial discipleship. To accomplish this, The **New Ministries Fund** program awards up to \$15,000 in support of new ministry initiatives — particularly those which connect congregations and local communities— to achieve our 2020 Vision objective. Current funding initiatives include support of new preschool programs, mission projects in partnership with local helping agencies and worship experiences specifically designed for use outside the church. *Deadlines to submit applications are July 1 and January 1st.* 

For more information go to the PSEC website: psec.org, click on "Missions & Ministries", on the dropdown, scroll down to "New Ministries Fund "for further information.

## **MissionInsite**

MissionInsite is a mission context analysis tool for the churches. Because of your church's contributions to Our Church's Wider Mission (OCWM), you can receive free-of-charge high quality demographic research, real-time congregant analysis, and easy to use web-based discovery tools. For information on MissionInsite and how to set up an account, go to the PSEC website: psec.org, click on "Resources", on the dropdown click "Church Resources", then scroll down to MissionInsite.

The Conference will be holding a workshop on how to use MissionInsite on August 3rd from 6:00—8:30 pm. Further details on this workshop will be forthcoming.

# PAM Offering Consistory/ Council 101 Educational Series

PA Academy of Ministry will be conducting a 3-part educational series called **Consistory/ Council 101** on September 15, October 6 and October 27 from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon.

The 3 sessions are titled: (Sept. 15)-Making Our Church Meetings Effective, (Oct. 6)-Pastor and People Working Together and (Oct. 27)-Connecting Beyond Ourselves.



We are asking Consistory/Council Presidents to place this on their upcoming agenda for consideration. This course will be presented via LIVE STREAM to locations in EACH of the Penn Northeast, Penn Central and Pennsylvania Southeast Conferences where groups of laity can join together in viewing the presentations and participate in discussion questions.

In a climate where churches are struggling to remain open or remain financially secure, we know that a well-educated leadership is crucial to that goal. We hope that you will consider this course for your Consistory or Council to encourage vitality and strengthen an already vibrant leadership in our local churches.

An email will be sent to registrants with locations where groups can be found in your area and all groups will receive discussion questions with their link to the webinar. Please register so your group can receive the link to the event.

For a registration form go to the PSEC website: psec.org, click on "Events & News". Under the Events & News dropdown, click on "Calendar". Go to the date of the class you are interested in and click on the "click here" for a registration form: in the body of the description.

#### REMNDER.....

Regional Youth Event—July 19-22

Registration for transportation to this event closes THIS SATURDAY, June 30th.

Register at: psecrye.eventbrite.com

