

January 6, 2019

PSEC Staff Send Prayers For 2019!



Staff left to right: Rev. Bill Worley, Rev. Sharon Morris, Rev. Cean James, Sue Creswell, Tammie Wisniewski, Brea Rarick, Donna Daloisio

As we begin this new year, your PSEC family hopes you and yours enjoyed wonderful Christmas celebrations and send prayers that faith, hope, love and joy accompany you into this New Year.

2019 Mileage Rates Increase

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has issued the 2019 standard mileage rates. Beginning on January 1, 2019, the standard mileage rates for the use of a car, van, pickup or panel truck will be: **58 cents per mile** for business miles driven (up from **54.5 cents** in 2018)

Attention Church Leaders and Church Members - Training Opportunities for you in early 2019 ...

1. A Christian Education Community of Practice -

All Christian Educators, Pastors, Teachers, Sunday School Superintendents, and anyone interested in Christian Faith Formation are welcome to join a new Christian Education Community of Practice. One way to strengthen our Christian Educators is to gather together to share and learn from each other. These gatherings will be facilitated and lead by Betsy Majewski, Commissioned Minister of Christian Education in the Covenant Association.

The group will meet at Calvary UCC, 640 Centre Ave, Reading. All meetings will be Saturday mornings 9:30-11:30 am. We'll meet about once a month beginning January 19, 2019, with the topic of Lent.

Any questions can be addressed to Betsy at bmajewski10@aol.com

2. Lay Boundary Training -

Boundary Training is not just for Pastors....it also pertains to church members! Learn about the boundaries that should exist within the church, child clearances, mandatory reporting and more.

Saturday, January 26th— 9:00 am—12:00 noon @ Church of the Good Shepherd, 35 W. Philadelphia Ave., Boyertown; Registration \$20.00 Register at: https://pseclaybound.eventbrite.com

3. ALICE (Active Shooter Training) for Churches -

ALICE Training events will take place Saturday, Feb. 23rd and Saturday, March 9th. One training will be located in the eastern portion of the conference, the other in the western. Watch for more information in upcoming issues of Communitas.

The PSEC <u>will close books for 2018</u> as of close of business on



January 15, 2019. All OCWM contributions and pass-throughs for 20

contributions and pass-throughs for 2018 must be received by our office by the close of business on Tuesday, January 15, 2019 in order to be counted as a 2018 contribution.