

January 10, 2021

Next Computer-side Chat on Local Church Profiles

PROFILES!!!

Why do we have to do them?
How do we start?
How honest do we have to be?
Are they only good for the search process?

Many congregations don't even think about a Congregational Profile until they have to do one. There are many pieces to consider and it can seem like an arduous task.

Log in at 7:00pm on Jan. 12th for a conversation that just might change your mind. We will also explore how useful this document can be for the life of your ministry beyond the search process. The link to join this Zoom meeting on Jan. 12 may be obtained by emailing Brea at brea@psec.org.

2021 UCC Yearbook Church Reporting Coming Soon

The annual UCC year-end reporting will open for churches next month. Details will be emailed to church offices and pastors the second week of January. Several times this year, we have asked how attendance figures will be calculated for online worship services. We now know that only those services that were entirely in-person should be figured into your attendance numbers for 2020. There will be a general question about online attendance included in the supplemental survey.

More information on that will be included in the materials in mid-January.

PSEC Zachariah Walker Racial Justice Initiative

The PSEC Zachariah Walker Racial Justice Initiative (ZWRJI) task force, named for the man who was brutally lynched on August 13, 1911 in Coatesville, Pa., is committed to expand consciousness and conversations around racial justice issues with the hope of nurturing anti-racism efforts in our congregations and communities. The ZWRJI task force invites congregations and individuals to a deeper awakening of the impact systemic racism and white supremacy have on white American Christian faith and culture.

For more information on this important racial justice issue please visit the PSEC website's Zachariah Walker Racial Justice Initiative page at: https://psec.org/zachariah-walker/

There you will also find information regarding the PSEC Anti-Racism Statement that you and your congregation can sign. This statement will be released to Media on Jan. 15, 2021, the start of the weekend of MLK day, so please don't wait and sign now!

The PSEC will close books for 2020 as of the close of business on January 18, 2021. All OCWM contributions and pass-throughs for



2020 must be received by our office by the close of business on Monday, January 18, 2021 in order to be counted as a 2020 contribution.