

Ruling Elder Preparation/Training for Presiding at the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper



Bridgeport Presbyterian Church and Beckley Presbyterian Church

**Sunday, October 10, 2021
2:00 - 6:00 p.m.**

Why: One of the responsibilities of all councils of the church – session, presbytery, synod and General Assembly – is to *“provide that the Sacraments may be rightly administered and received.”* (G 3-3.0101) The presbytery has a responsibility for “authorizing and training specific ruling elders to administer or preside at the Lord’s Supper when it deems it necessary to meet the needs for the administration of the Sacrament.”(G-3.0301b) One way the presbytery seeks to fulfill this responsibility, is with training events. Last fall there were a number of such events across the presbytery. Moving forward, the intent is to provide offer one training event per year as there is need.

Who: All sessions, particularly those whose churches do not have pastoral leadership, are invited to recommend and send 2-3 ruling elders(they do not have to be on the session currently) in good standing to this event, noting that in order to be authorized to preside at communion, participants must attend the entire event from beginning to end. Names of ruling elders must be submitted to the Stated Clerk of the presbytery in advance of the training.

The registration deadline for this event is Monday, October 4.

To register, or for more information, Clerks of Session should email statedclerk@wvpresbytery.org; call Maureen Wright at 304-744-7634; complete the form online at www.wvpresbytery.org or print and send it to: Presbytery of WV: attn.: Maureen Wright, 520 Second Avenue, S. Charleston, WV 25303.

Church Name _____

Name(s) of Participants _____

_____ will attend the Communion Training at _____.