YOUTH RETREAT (6th-12th grades) November 18-20, 2022 IMPORTANT RETREAT INFORMATION

PLEASE READ the information here and SHARE all of the information with youth and those who work with youth in your congregation. You will find a description of the retreat's focus and presenter on the enclosed brochure.

Registration and Cost

- Registrations must be received in the Presbytery Office no later than Monday, November 7.
- The **cost per person** (youth and adults) is \$85, due prior to the retreat. Refunds are available for cancellations made prior to noon, Thursday, November 17.
- To register, go online to <u>www.wvpresbytery.org</u> or send the Church Registration Form to Presbytery of WV, PO Box 11720, Charleston, WV 25339. <u>NOTE</u>: The <u>Presbytery address</u> has changed, effective September 2022.

Special Needs

If you have youth with special needs, please contact Susan Sharp Campbell to consider ways that we might be able to accommodate and include them.

Mission Project

Our Mission Project this year is **making toys for pets**, which will be shared with humane societies in the presbytery. **Each participant** is asked to bring **1 T-shirt** to use to make the toys.

Covenant

It is very important that your youth and their parents read and understand the covenant. The covenant enables us to live together in community. We suggest that you discuss this covenant with your group before registering and, perhaps, as you travel to the retreat. Infractions are cause for disciplinary action that may include contacting parents to pick their youth up.

Medical Forms

Medical forms for all participants should be filled out in advance and brought to the retreat, NOT mailed in. Please note that there is a separate form for youth and adults. Youth forms require the signature of a parent. Please do not assume that we have past forms on file (they are shredded after the retreat).

Responsible Adults

- Each church must register a responsible adult with their youth.
- There must be 1 responsible adult for each 1-7 youth. If your group includes both male and female, you are asked to have at least one male and one female adult.

- If your church has two or less planning to attend, and no willing adult, you will need to make arrangements with another group for a responsible adult who has agreed in advance to be responsible for additional youth.
- Responsible adults must be at least 20 years of age.
- Each adult attending the retreat must fill out a Reference Check form and Background Check Consent Form (a master copy is enclosed in this packet). These must be returned to the presbytery office with the church registration form no later than Monday, November 7. This enables us to do the necessary background checks prior to the retreat. Please ask your adults to read the Presbytery's Child Protection Policy in advance of the retreat; it can be found at https://wvpresbytery.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/CPP-final-11-13-21.pdf. Adults will also need to view a short training video prior to the retreat.