



• Working for Justice and Peace •

2023

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN J&P CALENDAR

WE ARE CALLED TO SHARE GOD'S LOVE WITH THE WORLD, BY BEING GOD'S HANDS IN THE WORLD. WE ANSWER GOD'S CALL TO "DO JUSTICE, LOVE KINDNESS AND WALK HUMBLLY WITH OUR GOD" (MICAH 6:8).

Remember, every Thursday is an opportunity to participate in Thursdays in Black. See oikoumene.org/what-we-do/thursdays-in-black

JANUARY

- **National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month**—polarisproject.org
- 6 Epiphany of the Lord
- 9 J&P Book Discussion Group online, 6:30–8:30 pm (Eastern) on *Call Me A Woman: On Our Way to Equality and Peace* by Laurie Levin (One More Page, 2021). Register at presbyterianwomen.org/justice
- 10–16 PW Together in Action Days to End Human Trafficking, presbyterianwomen.org/justice
- 11 National Human Trafficking Awareness Day, traffickingresourcecenter.org or presbyterianmission.org/human-trafficking
- 15 Matthew 25: Dismantling Structural Racism Sunday; Racial & Intercultural Justice/Presbyterians Affirm Black Lives Matter; presbyterianmission.org/ministries/matthew-25/racism
- 16 National Religious Freedom Day, religiousfreedomday.com
- 16 Martin Luther King Jr. Day, thekingcenter.org
- 18–25 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, oikoumene.org/week-of-prayer
- 27 International Holocaust Remembrance Day; en.unesco.org/commemorations/holocaustremembranceday

FEBRUARY

- **Black History Month**; blackhistorymonth.gov
- **National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month**, teendvmonth.org
- 1 National Freedom Day, state.gov/national-freedom-day-deepening-our-resolve-to-fight-human-trafficking
- 1–7 World Interfaith Harmony Week, worldinterfaithharmonyweek.com
- 12 International Day against the Use of Child Soldiers, redhandday.org
- 12 Souper Bowl of Caring, tacklehunger.org
- 12–18 National Random Acts of Kindness Week, randomactsofkindness.org
- 13 One Billion Rising for Justice, onebillionrising.org
- 13 J&P Book Discussion Group online, 6:30–8:30 PM (Eastern) Special author presentation on *What Kind of Christianity: A History of Slavery and Anti-Black Racism in the Presbyterian Church* by William Yoo (Westminster John Knox Press, 2022). Register at presbyterianwomen.org/justice
- 22 Ash Wednesday; presbyterianmission.org/ministries/worship/christianyear/ash-wednesday

MARCH

- **Women's History Month**, womenshistorymonth.gov
- 3 World Day of Prayer, wdp-usa.org or worlddayofprayer.net
- 5 Celebrate the Gifts of Women Sunday, pcusa.org/women
- 5–11 PW Together in Action for Women's Empowerment, presbyterianwomen.org/justice

- 6–17 UN Commission on the Status of Women, unwomen.org/en/csw/csw67-2023
- 8 International Women's Day, internationalwomensday.com or un.org/en/observances/womens-day
- 12 Self-Development of People Sunday, presbyterianmission.org/sdop-sunday
- 13 J&P Book Discussion Group online, 6:30–8:30 PM (Eastern) *Climate Justice: Hope, Resilience and the Fight for a Sustainable Future* by Mary Robinson (New York: Bloomsbury, 2018). Register at presbyterianwomen.org/justice
- 20 Mr. Rogers Day, presbyterianmission.org/ministries/theology-formation-and-evangelism/office-of-christian-formation/mr-rogers-day-resources
- 20 International Day of Happiness; daysoftheyear.com/days/international-day-of-happiness
- 22 World Water Day, worldwaterday.org
- 25–31 National Farmworker Awareness Week, saf-unite.org/national-farmworker-awareness-week
- 31 National Farm Workers Day, nationaltoday.com/national-farm-workers-day

APRIL

- **Sexual Assault Awareness Month**; en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sexual_Assault_Awareness_Month
- Ecumenical Advocacy Days; advocacydays.org
- 7 Good Friday; presbyterianmission.org/ministries/worship/christianyear/good-friday
- 7 World Health Day; who.int/campaigns/world-health-day
- 8 International Romani Day; en.wikipedia.org/wiki/International_Romani_Day
- 9 Easter; presbyterianmission.org/ministries/worship/christianyear/resurrection-lord-easter
- 18 Holocaust Remembrance Day; ushmm.org/remember/days-of-remembrance/resources/calendar
- 21–27 National Agriculture Week; iatp.org
- 23 Earth Day; presbyterianmission.org/ministries/environment/earth-day-sunday
- 24 Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day; presbyterianmission.org/ministries/worship/churchcalendar/armenian-genocide
- 26 Denim Day; denimdayinfo.org

MAY

- **Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month**; asianpacificheritage.gov
- 1 May Day; en.wikipedia.org/wiki/International_Workers%27_Day
- 2 National Teacher Day; nea.org
- 1–7 PW Together in Action Days for Children's Literacy; presbyterianwomen.org/justice
- 4 National Day of Prayer; nationaldayofprayer.org
- 8 J&P Book Discussion Group online, 6:30–8:30 PM (Eastern) on *The Cry of Tamar: Violence Against Women and the Church's Response* by Pamela Cooper-White (Minneapolis, MN: Fortress, 2012). Register at presbyterianwomen.org/justice
- 13 World Fair Trade Day; wfto.com

- 13 Stamp Out Hunger drive; about.usps.com/corporate-social-responsibility/nalc-food-drive.htm
- 14 Mother's Day; presbyterianmission.org/story/a-prayer-for-mothers-day
- 21 Intercultural Church Sunday; pcusa.org/resource/intercultural-ministries-19226
- 22 International Day for Biological Diversity; cbd.int/idb
- 28 Pentecost; presbyterianmission.org/ministries/worship/christianyear/pentecost
- 29 Memorial Day; presbyterianmission.org/story/may-30-2022

JUNE

- **Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ+) Pride Month;** archives.gov/news/topics/lgbt-pride-month
- 2 National Gun Violence Awareness Day; wearorange.org or nasponline.org/research-and-policy/policy-matters-blog/national-gun-violence-awareness-day
- 18 Father's Day; Men of the Church Sunday; presbyterianmission.org/ministries/men
- 19 Juneteenth; presbyphl.org/what-is-juneteenth-resources-for-formation-education-and-gospel-witness
- 20 World Refugee Day; un.org/en/observances/refugee-day

JULY

- 2 Immigration Sunday; <http://oga.pcusa.org/section/mid-council-ministries/immigration>
- 4 Independence Day; presbyterianmission.org/ministries/worship/independence-day
- 10 J&P Book Discussion Group online, 6:30–8:30 PM (Eastern) on *Beautiful Country: A Memoir of an Undocumented Childhood* by Qian Julie Wang (New York: Random House, 2021). Register at presbyterianwomen.org/justice

AUGUST

- 6 Hiroshima Day; pda.pcusa.org/pda/resource/hiroshima-day-prayer
- 9 International Day of the World's Indigenous People; un.org/en/observances/indigenous-day
- 15 Day of Prayer for the Peaceful Reunification of the Korean Peninsula; pcusa.org/resource/sunday-prayer-worship-for-peaceful-reunifica-78123
- 19 World Humanitarian Day; worldhumanitarianaday.org/ or en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Humanitarian_Day
- 20 Public Education Sunday; presbyterianmission.org/ministries/compassion-peace-justice/child

SEPTEMBER

- **National Hispanic Heritage Month [Sep 15–Oct 15];** hispanicheritagemonth.gov
- 1 World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation; creationjustice.org/world-day-of-prayer-for-the-care-of-creation.html
- 3 Season of Peace begins; presbyterianmission.org/ministries/peacemaking/season-peace
- 4 Labor Day; iwj.org/resources/plan-labor-day-service
- 8 International Literacy Day; en.unesco.org/commemorations/literacyday
- 11 J&P Book Discussion Group online, 6:30–8:30 PM (Eastern) on *Violence Against Women: What Everyone Needs to Know* by Jacqui True (New York: Oxford, 2021). Register at presbyterianwomen.org/justice
- 17 Global Week of Action Against Gun Violence begins
- 21 International Day of Peace; presbyterian.typepad.com/peacemaking/2010/08/celebrate-the-international-day-of-peace.html

- 22 Native American Day; pcusa.org/site_media/media/uploads/nativeamerican/pdf/celebratingnativeamericanday.pdf and en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Native_American_Day

OCTOBER

- **Domestic Violence Awareness Month;** ncadv.org/take-action; nomore.org; presbyterianwomen.org/justice or presbyterianmission.org/ministries/phewa
- **Fair Trade Month;** fairtradefederation.org/celebrate-fair-trade-month
- **National Disability Employment Awareness Month;** dol.gov/agencies/odep/initiatives/ndeam
- 1 World Communion Sunday; presbyterianmission.org/ministries/worship/world-communion-sunday
- 9 National Indigenous Peoples' Day; presbyterianmission.org/story/celebrating-indigenous-peoples-day
- 11 International Day of the Girl Child; unwomen.org/en/news/in-focus/girl-child
- 11 National Coming Out Day; hrc.org/resources/national-coming-out-day
- 15 Children's Sabbath: Educate a Child, Transform the World; pcusa.org/news/2015/8/14/educate-child-transform-world
- 16 World Food Day; fao.org/world-food-day/home/en
- 24 United Nations Day; un.org/en/observances/un-day

NOVEMBER

- **Native American Heritage Month;** archives.gov/news/topics/native-american-heritage-month or nativeamericanheritagemonth.gov
- 6–12 Children's Book Week; everychildareader.net/cbw
- 12 Hunger and Homelessness Sunday; presbyterianmission.org/ministries/compassion-peace-justice/hunger
- 13 World Kindness Day; randomactsofkindness.org/world-kindness-day
- 13 J&P Book Discussion Group online, 6:30–8:30 PM (Eastern) on *Wind River* (2017 film featuring Jeremy Renner and Elizabeth Olsen). Register at presbyterianwomen.org/justice
- 20 Universal Children's Day; un.org/en/observances/world-childrens-day
- 23 Thanksgiving; americanindian.si.edu/sites/1/files/pdf/education/thanksgiving_poster.pdf or presbyterianmission.org/resource/just-living-alternative-thanksgiving-ideas
- 25 International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women; unwomen.org/en/events/endviolenceday or unwomen.org/en/what-we-do/ending-violence-against-women/take-action
- 25–D10 16 Days of Activism against Gender Violence; unwomen.org/en/what-we-do/ending-violence-against-women/take-action/16-days-of-activism

DECEMBER

- 1 World AIDS Day; presbyterianmission.org/resource/presbyterian-aids-awareness-sunday-worship-materia
- 5 International Volunteer Day; un.org/en/observances/volunteer-day
- 10 International Human Rights Day; en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Human_Rights_Day
- 18 International Migrants Day; en.wikipedia.org/wiki/International_Migrants_Day
- 25 Christmas; presbyterianmission.org/ministries/worship/christianyear/nativity-lord-christmas