Calling all Small Churches in Penn Central Conference

Rev. Dr. Marisa Laviola, ACM for Congregational Transitions, is planning Small Church Vitality Workshops that will be offered on four (4) Saturdays across the conference. These workshops are for any church that self-identifies as "small." Small refers to size and not importance or robustness! Typically, small churches are less than 100 members and/or cannot afford a fulltime minister.

The focus of the workshops is to celebrate the small church as a sacred part of the future of God's church, including validating lay leadership to supplement parttime pastorate and identifying the vital mission opportunities of each church as beacons of light to their greater community. Each church is asked to bring a pastor plus two laity and be prepared to share joys and trials with other churches present.

For information or to register, contact Dr. Laviola: mlaviola@pccucc.org

Here is the schedule. Please mark your calendars now!!

Workshop for Churches in northern Mercersberg, York, and Harrisburg Associations will take place on:

Saturday March 12

Starview United Church of Christ 4832 N. Sherman St. Ext. Mount Wolf, PA 17347

Workshop for Churches in Lancaster and Lebanon Associations will take place on:

Saturday April 30 St. Paul's UCC 133 Church St. P.O. Box 177 Bowmansville, PA 17507

Workshop for Churches in Central Association and Northern Association workshop will take place on:

Saturday May 14

St. John's UCC 1050 Buffalo Road Lewisburg, PA 17837

Workshop for Churches in Southern Mercersberg and Gettysburg Associations will take place on:

Saturday May 21

FOR ALL WORKSHOPS: Time: 10am to 1pm Bring a lunch or a snack If COVID prevents us from meeting in person, we will meet by ZOOM To register, contact <u>mlaviola@pccucc.org</u>