

We invite you to join us for The Cost of Poverty Experience



One in five children in America live at or below the poverty line.

The Cost of Poverty Experience: Faith Edition is designed to give participants a glimpse into the lives of low-income persons in your community.

The church is co-missioned by God to bring healing to wounded lives, restoration to broken systems and relationships, and economic security where there is hardship. However, so often churches in America struggle to support families impacted by poverty in ways that are relational, dignifying and lasting.

COPE is a tool that can move your church/organization to:

- Deepen its understanding and urgency around poverty
- Develop practices that have a lasting impact on poverty
- Engage in meaningful ways to bring about restoration to your community

Saturday, November 9

9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

16 Ridgecrest Rd | Wheeling, WV 26003

To register, go to: cope-hoc.eventbrite.com

Hosted by:



For more information about COPE and Think Tank, visit thinktank-inc.org

membership
CLASS
YOU'RE INVITED



New Member Sunday will be November 17, 2019. Those interested in becoming a member of Vance Church should know that we will be having new members classes on Sunday, November 3rd, 10th, and 17th at 9:00am in the Davis Study. If you are interested in becoming a member of Vance Church, feel free to contact Erica. (Session members are reminded to be present for the Nov. 10 & 17 classes).

AdVance News Weekly

Sunday, October 20, 2019

- *Welcome to Vance Memorial Presbyterian Church, a traditional church with Spirit, serving the greater Wheeling community and beyond!* We welcome our radio congregation listening to our live worship on 97.3 WKWK-FM. Radio listeners can go to vancechurch.org, select the "News" tab and choose "Bulletin" to follow along with a PDF of the worship service. If you ever need prayer or would like home communion, please contact the church office at 1-304-232-0980.
- Good Morning! Please fill-out, sign and pass the Pew Pad to fellow worshippers and place it in the pew rack near the center aisle. Please place today's slip in the offering plate as it passes.
- Hearing devices and large print hymnals are available at the Welcome center in the Narthex. Inquire with an usher and they will assist you.
- Our Church Nursery is available every Sunday during worship for infant through pre-school children. Pre-school children are encouraged to stay in worship until after the children's sermon.
- Thanks for helping keep the Deacon's food pantry stocked! October is Tuna and Cracker Month. Please place donations in the marked boxes in the Narthex and Lower Lobby.
- We thank Karen Freese for serving as our song leader this morning.
- Thank you to all the donors and volunteers of our Rummage Sale fundraiser! You made this event a success to help our Woodsdale School neighbors!
- Chandler Wayne, of our Vance Choir, is having his bass trombone recital today at 5pm in the WLU College Hall. All are invited!
- Commission/Committee Meetings:
EFM—Sun. Oct. 20 @ 11:15am in Davis Study.
Deacons—Sun. Oct. 20 @11:15am in the Squibb Room.
MO&CS—Tues. Oct. 29 @6:00pm in the Wheeler Room.

REGISTER OF ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING	
ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY	71
SUN. OCT. 13 2019	
OFFERING LAST SUNDAY	\$1715
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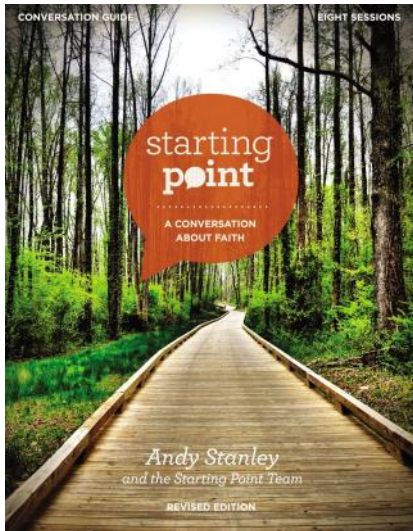
WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT VANCE CHURCH

ONE IN FOUR
WV CHILDREN GOES TO
SCHOOL HUNGRY

The Mission Outreach & Community Service Commission needs your help. We have been asked to provide 135+ meal bags each weekend to the students at Woodsdale Elementary School. We pack the bags in the Robbie Clarke Room on Wednesday evenings at 5:30 PM before Soup & Stuff. We are asking members of the congregation to come help pack weekend food bags.



On Wednesday nights Vance Church is having Soup & Stuff. We will gather as a community for a hearty meal of soup and bread at 6:00pm. At 6:30pm, we will have time to engage in fellowship. The Chancel Choir will rehearse in the Squibb Room and we will have educational programming led by the pastor in the Robbie Clarke Room.



After our Soup dinner, we continue our study of *Starting Point: A Conversation About Faith* by pastor and author Andy Stanley. Starting Point is an 8-session exploration of the Bible's grand story and where you fit into it. You will be part of a conversational small group environment where you can explore faith and experience community.

We hope that you will seize this weekly opportunity for community and fellowship.

IT'S BAAAAAACK!



Trunk or Treat Returns to Vance

Trunk or Treat is a fun program planned to introduce the children and youth of our community to Vance.

From 5-7 pm on October 31st kids

from the community will have an opportunity to trick or treat in our church parking lot and then come inside to Fellowship Hall for food and games. This is one of the most fun and joy-producing community events for a church. However we cannot pull off a program such of this, where we expect 300 little guests, **WITHOUT THE HELP OF EVERY MEMBER.** Starting Sunday there will be a sign up sheet at the church Welcome Center asking for you to help in making this event a success. We will need help with car trunks decorated in the parking lot for trick or treaters, with people in the kitchen to help with the food, and with folks to interact with the kids playing games and having fun. We will also need lots and lots of candy!!! So everyone has a job to do. **Remember that if everyone does something, no one has to do everything.**



Vance Memorial Presbyterian Church Session has called a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, October 27, 2019, immediately following the 10am Worship Service.

The purpose is to receive the report of the Congregational Nominating Committee (CNC) and vote on the proposed slate of deacons, ruling elders, and our 2020 CNC.

As Always, nominations may be made from the floor by and for officers and/or committee members.