

Presbyterian Women Working for Justice and Peace

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Listen here, mortal: God has already made abundantly clear what "good" is, and what YHWH needs from you: simply do justice, love kindness, and humbly walk with your God (Micah 6:8, The Inclusive Bible).

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JANUARY

Human Trafficking Prevention Month

П	National Human Trafficking Awareness Day	www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/human-trafficking
11–18	PW Together in Action Days	www.presbyterianwomen.org/justice
16	National Religious Freedom Day	http://religiousfreedomday.com
18	Race Relations Sunday	www.pcusa.org/resource/race-relations-sunday-liturgy
18-24	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity	www.oikoumene.org/en/resources/week-of-prayer
20	Martin Luther King Jr. Day	www.thethoughtfulchristian.com
25	Criminal Justice Sunday	www.pcusa.org/resource/criminal-justice-sunday-resources
25	Orange Day	http://endviolence.un.org
27	International Holocaust Remembrance Day	http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/International_Holocaust_ Remembrance_Day

FEBRUARY

Black History Month—www.africanamericanhistorymonth.gov

National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month—www.teendvmonth.org and www.cdc.gov/Features/DatingViolence

1	National Freedom Day	http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/National_Freedom_Day
I	Souper Bowl of Caring	www.souperbowl.org
9–15	International Random Acts of Kindness Week	https://randomactsofkindness.org
12	International Day against the Use of Child Soldiers	www.child-soldiers.org and www.redhandday.org
14	One Billion Rising for Justice	www.onebillionrising.org
25	Orange Day	http://endviolence.un.org

MARCH

Women's History Month—http://womenshistorymonth.gov Birthday Offering of Presbyterian Women—www.presbyterianwomen.org/birthday

6	World Day of Prayer	www.worlddayofprayer.net and www.wdp-usa.org
8	International Women's Day	www.internationalwomensday.com and www.un.org/en/events/womensday
8	Celebrate the Gifts of Women	www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/all-women/resources
4-15	UN Commission on the Status of Women	www.unwomen.org/en/csw/csw59-2015
15	Self-development of People Sunday	www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/sdop
21–24	Ecumenical Advocacy Days	http://advocacydays.org and www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/compassion-peace-justice/advocacy-training-weekend-2015
22	World Water Day	http://waterday.org and www.unwater.org/worldwaterday
24-31	National Farmworkers Awareness Week	www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/sdop
25	Orange Day	http://endviolence.un.org
29	Justice Advocacy Sunday	www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/washington
29-Apr.7	Ten Days of Prayer and Thanksgiving for the Roma	www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/pw/missionmatters

APRIL

National Sexual Assault Awareness Month—http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sexual_Assault_Awareness_Month
Ten Days of Prayer and Thanksgiving for the Roma—www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/pw/
missionmatters

5	Easter	www.worlddayofprayer.net and www.wdp-usa.org
7	World Health Day 2015	www.who.int/campaigns/world-health-day/2015/event/en
8	International Roma Day	http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/International_Romani_Day
16	National Holocaust Remembrance Day	www.ushmm.org; also see www.pcusa.org/blogs/swords-plowshares/2014/4/27/holocaust-remembrance-day/
22	Earth Day	www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/environment/earth-day-sunday
24	Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day	http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Armenian_Genocide_ Remembrance_Day
25	Orange Day	http://endviolence.un.org



People who have been impoverished are calling for justice. We need to hear that call and begin to join hands with many others around the world to work together for transformation.



MAY

I	May Day; Solidarity with Immigrant Workers and Families	www.immigrantsolidarity.org
4-8	Teacher Appreciation Week	www.nea.org/grants/teacherday.html
9	Fair Trade Day	http://fairtradeusa.org
10	Stamp Out Hunger drive	http://about.usps.com/corporate-social-responsibility/ nalc-food-drive.htm
П	Mother's Day	www.pcusa.org/resource/healthy-women-healthy-families- overview/
22	International Day for Biological Diversity	www.cbd.int/idb/
25	Orange Day	http://endviolence.un.org
26	Memorial Day	http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Memorial_Day

JUNE

14	Disability Inclusion Sunday	www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/phewa/ presbyterians-disability-concerns
21	Men of the Church Sunday	www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/men
25	Orange Day	http://endviolence.un.org

JULY

4	Independence Day	http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/National_Freedom_Day
5	Immigration Sunday	www.souperbowl.org
25	Orange Day	https://randomactsofkindness.org
30-Aug. I	Big Tent	www.child-soldiers.org and www.redhandday.org

AUGUST

2	Homelessness/Affordable Housing Sunday	www.pcusa.org/resource/homelessness-and-affordable-housing
6	Hiroshima Day	www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/peacemaking/peacemaking-through-prayer-and-worship/#worldcommunion
23	Public Education Sunday	www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/publiceducation
25	Orange Day	http://endviolence.un.org

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Jesus shows that this is an inclusive covenant in which the poor and marginalized are preferential partners, and calls us to put justice for the 'least of these' (Mt. 25:40) at the center of the community of life.²



SEPTEMBER

Thank Offering of Presbyterian Women—www.presbyterianwomen.org/thank

5–7	Labor Day Weekend: Labor in the Pulpits	www.iwj.org/resources/plan-labor-day-service
7	Labor Day	blog.thethoughtfulchristian.com/2014/09/the-fruits-of-their-labor-a-labor-day-reflection.html
21	International Day of Peace	http://presbyterian.typepad.com/peacemaking/2010/08/celebrate-the-international-day-of-peace.html
23	Native American Day	http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Native_American_Day
24-30	Global Week of Action Against Gun Violence	www.presbyterianmission.org/gunviolence
25	Orange Day	http://endviolence.un.org

OCTOBER

Domestic Violence Awareness Month—www.ncadv.org/takeaction/DomesticViolenceAwarenessMonth.php

4	World Communion Sunday	www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/worship/world- communion-sunday
П	Domestic Violence Awareness Sunday	www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/phewa
11	International Day of the Girl Child	http://dayofthegirl.org; www.un.org/en/events/girlchild
П	National Coming Out Day	hwww.hrc.org/resources/entry/national-coming-out-day
12	Indigenous Peoples' Day	http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Indigenous_People's_Day
16	World Food Day	www.worldfooddayusa.org; www.fao.org/world-food -day/home/en
25	Orange Day	http://endviolence.un.org
25	United Nations Sunday	www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/peacemaking/peacemaking-through-prayer-and-worship/#worldcommunion; http://umc-gbcs.org/calendar/united-nations-sunday

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God has brought into being an earth community based on the vision of justice and peace.3

Our faith compels us to seek justice, to witness to the presence of God and to be part of the lives and struggles of people made weak and vulnerable by structures and cultures—women, children, people living in poverty in both urban and rural areas, indigenous peoples, racially oppressed communities, people with disabilities, Dalits, forced migrant workers, refugees and religious ethnic minorities.⁴



NOVEMBER

American Indian Heritage Month—www.smithsonianeducation.org/heritage_month/aihm Native American Heritage Month—http://nativeamericanheritagemonth.gov

13	World Kindness Day	http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Kindness_Day	
20	Universal Children's Day	www.un.org/en/events/childrenday	
25	International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women	www.un.org/en/events/endviolenceday	
25-D.10	16 Days of Activism against Gender Violence	http://16dayscwgl.rutgers.edu	
26	Thanksgiving: a day to consider the Native perspective	http://nmai.si.edu/home	

DECEMBER

I	World AIDS Day	
5	International Volunteer Day	www.un.org/en/events/volunteerday
10	International Human Rights Day	www.un.org/en/events/humanrightsday
18	International Migrants Day	http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/International_Migrants_Day
25	Christmas	
25	Orange Day	http://endviolence.un.org

Notes

- I. Elizabeth Hinson-Hasty, Reconciling Paul: A Contemporary Study of 2 Corinthians, 5.
- 2. Hinson-Hasty, 65.
- 3. Ibid.
- 4. Ibid., 66.
- 5. Ibid., 53.

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Lover of Justice, enable us to prepare your way in the world. Enliven our imaginations and enable us to see, feel and even smell the aroma of your presence among us.⁵

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