October, 2023 Older Adult Working Group Report to CAG

The Older Adult Working Group continues to focus on updating resources on our new Conference webpage and supporting our Retired Clergy Stewards program. Jan Aerie has been very helpful in working with the Conference to add current and relative resources. She also continues to work with CHSSM and the UCC to secure more funding for the Older Adult programming.

The Eastern and St. Louis Associations hosted clergy appreciation luncheons last fall which included all our retired clergy.

Two informal gatherings with Eastern Association retired clergy and spouse/partners have been held this summer at Camp MoVal. Another is scheduled for October 31.

We need more Stewards to send cards and make phone calls to our retired clergy. I recently surveyed a group of retired clergy and they are feeling disconnected from the Conference.

Now that we are no longer under Covid restrictions, we would like to again offer workshops for our older adult population and caregivers.

Respectfully submitted,		
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