

Presbytery of Scioto Valley (PSV) Mid-Week E-News June 19, 2019

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The Presbytery OF SCIOTO VALLEY

Presbytery of Scioto Valley Mission and Vision Statement

God calls us through the Holy Spirit to connect with each other to plant, grow and nurture vital, faithful communities of Christ for service and ministry.

In response we build partnerships, communicate with and support congregations, leaders and individuals and embody Christ's transforming love in the world.

Presbytery Calendar

June

*A Prayer Celebrating God's
Creation...*



Earth Mender:

the garden goes like Eden's-
deer chomp hosta,
a midnight snack.

And...

candidates for office

lack candor.

But then... poppies grow
tall; children play
puddles and mud.

rainy spring afternoons;
and farmers truck
tomatoes and chard
to market.

And you, Jesus,
save us again, or still,
from a narrow vision.

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS...

First Presbyterian Church in Athens... is looking for a part-time Director of Christian Education. This part-time position will average 20 hours/week with a salary of \$10,000-\$12,000 including paid vacation and professional development. Health and retirement benefits are not included. For more information contact the pastor, Reverend Rob Martin: rmartin@athensfpc.org

Ostrander Presbyterian Church...

- is in need of some letters and numbers for their signboard. It is an older Unitype. If anyone has these going unused, would you be willing to share?
- Church pianist Alice Stone is retiring at the end of July, and we are looking for options to provide music for our very small congregation that cannot afford to pay much. We are looking for musicians who could assist from time to time, or possibly a system for providing music electronically.

If you can help, please contact Nikki Conklin, Ostrander Clerk, conklin.1@osu.edu or 614-582-8959.

Chillicothe First Presbyterian Church...has 50 maroon robes with accompanying stoles ready to be given and delivered to a church in need of them. They are a variety of sizes. If interested, contact Reverend Dr. Jason T. Link at revdrjtl@gmail.com.

JUNE

Sunday, June 23

3 pm

Ordination Service
Mark Parsons-Justice
First Presbyterian
Church, Gallipolis
Everyone Welcome!

All are invited to wear
red. Pastors are invited to
wear robes and
red stoles.

Wednesday,

June 26

Noon

Hanging Rock Area
Church Professionals
Lunch Gathering
Arch & Eddies Jackson

JULY

Monday, July 1

9:30

Church Professionals
Retreat Planning Team

10:30

CRE Task Team

12:30 pm

Commission for Church
Professionals (CCP)

Thursday, July 4

Independence Day
Presbytery Office Closed

Friday/Saturday

July 12-13

"Bad Calvinists" Exchange Pulpit Tour this Summer

The three "Bad Calvinists",
Gray Marshall, Pastor, First
Presbyterian Church,
Washington Court House,
Joel Esala, Pastor, Circleville
Presbyterian Church, and
Jason Link, Pastor, First
Presbyterian Church,
Chillicothe, will be doing a



Gray, Joel and Jason

"Bad Calvinist" Pulpit Exchange Tour this Summer, July 28, August 4 & August 11. They will be going around preaching at each of the churches that they serve, preaching on the story of "The Almost Sacrifice of Isaac" from Genesis 22. Joel will be preaching from the perspective of God in the story, Gray from the perspective of Abraham, and Jason from the perspective of Isaac. The schedule is:

July 28: Chillicothe First PC, 10 am, Rev. Gray Marshall, Circleville PC, 10 am, Rev. Dr. Jason Link, Washington Court House First PC, 10:30 am, Rev. Joel Esala.

August 4: Chillicothe First PC, 10 am, Rev. Joel Esala; Circleville PC, 10 am, Rev. Gray Marshall; Washington Court House First PC, 10:30 am, Rev. Dr. Jason Link.

August 11: Chillicothe First PC, 10 am, Rev. Dr. Jason Link; Circleville 10 am, Rev. Joel Esala; Washington Court House First PC, 10:30 am, Rev. Gray Marshall.

You are also invited to come to the First Presbyterian Church in Chillicothe on Sunday August 11, at 6:30 pm for a live podcast where you will be able to ask questions and join in the conversation. The Chillicothe Church is located at 13 Mead Drive.

PSV Commission for Nurture and Outreach News...

Amesville/New England Receives Mission Grant

The Amesville/New England Parish in Amesville recently received a Neighborhood Mission Grant of \$1750 for Nutritional Education for their Amesville/New England Parish Camp at Geneva Hills. With the help of this grant, approximately fifty adults and children will receive fruits and vegetables, as well as nutritional education through menu planning and evening programs during this summer's camp programs.

Presbyterian Women in
the Synod of the
Covenant

2019 Gathering Retreat
Covenant PC in Upper
Arlington, OH

(Info: www.psvonline.org)

Saturday, July 13

10:45 am

First Presbyterian Church,
Pataskala

Installation of Called
Pastor, The Reverend Dr.
Janet Hufford

Sunday, July 14

2-4 pm

Marysville First
Presbyterian Church

Review of Session
Records

Tuesday, July 23

Noon

PIE Planning Team

1 pm

Commission for Nurture
and Outreach (CNO)

4-6 pm

Fireside Chat for Pastors
Clintonville Rusty Bucket

Wednesday July 24

Noon

Hanging Rock Church
Professionals Lunch
Gathering

Arch and Eddies in
Jackson

Presbyterian Women PW/PSV Summer Gathering

Saturday, August 24, First PC, Washington Court House

A book review and a presentation by the Bad Calvinists will highlight the Summer Gathering of Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Scioto Valley on Saturday, Aug. 24, at First Presbyterian Church in Washington Court House.

Also included in the day will be an overview of the 2019-2020 PW Bible Study, "Love Carved in Stone: A Fresh Look at the Ten Commandments" plus some spirituality workshops and worship with communion.

Mark your calendars and invite others to this exciting gathering in August. Register by contacting Nancy Schuster, nandshu@aol.com. Cost is \$10 for the day.

Reverend Jimmie Hawkins To Visit Scioto Valley...

Saturday, September 14 - Tuesday, September 17

Jimmie Hawkins, Director of the Presbyterian Mission Agency Office of Public Witness in Washington D.C., will be leading several conversations and gatherings during his visit to Scioto Valley in September. He will not only be speaking at the September 17 Presbytery Meeting, he will also lead a gathering for youth in grades 6-12 on Sunday, September 15, from 5-7 pm at the Mifflin Presbyterian Church. His topic for this event will focus on "How Youth Can Make a Difference". Watch for more information on other opportunities to hear from and visit with Jimmie.

Presbytery of Scioto Valley Stated Clerk Search...

Deadline for Applications Extended to August 1

The Presbytery Commission for Operations Human Resources team is in the process of searching for a Stated Clerk for the Presbytery. Due to summer schedules, the due date for applications has been changed to August 1. The Stated Clerk of the Presbytery carries out the duties of the clerk, acts as corporate secretary, is a member of the Presbytery staff team and provides support to presbytery commissions and committees. The full job description and application materials are available on the presbytery website.

Per Capita and Your Presbytery: A Wise and Worthwhile Investment

By Elder Christine Burns, Pastor Fredericktown First Presbyterian Church

The vast majority of your annual per capita contribution is used right here in your presbytery, the Presbytery of Scioto Valley. Of the \$35.75 each member commits to per capita, \$23.55 is dedicated to the work of the churches and pastors that are within the bounds of this presbytery. You may be surprised to know all the ways that your contribution is spread to cover the work of the leadership team of the presbytery. Many of our congregations feel that they function completely independently; they do not. When your church goes through the transition of changing pastors, your presbytery is a large part of that transition. From working with the pastor nominating committee (PNC) of your church to the installation or placement of the pastor in the pulpit, many people have assisted in finding just the right pastor for you. The people who serve on various commissions of the presbytery are volunteers from all across our congregations. Minor travel expenses are sometimes paid, but very few of these volunteers accept pay for services. If you have ever had conflict in the church and made a call to a commission member, your per capita dollars have been put to work to find a resolution. From training events like Partners in Education, (PIE), to resources, to the support of mission workers, opportunities are available to every one of our churches. If you have ever placed a call to the Presbytery Office for assistance, your per capita dollars have been serving you. Many churches have been recipients of mission grants or other financial assistance, which are all funded by your per capita and mission giving. Your per capita commitment is an investment in the life and future of our presbytery and its congregations.

Sympathy and Prayers for the family and friends of the Reverend Judy Kolwicz

The Reverend Judith Peterson Kolwicz died on June 12 in St. Paul, Minnesota following a long battle with cancer. Judy, a graduate of Trinity Lutheran Seminary, and an elder at the St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, served in several congregations in Scioto Valley. Judy served as an Intern at the Delaware First Presbyterian Church, an Assistant to the Pastor at Hoge Memorial Presbyterian Church, and the pastor of the Columbus Westminster Presbyterian Church. Judy also served on the staff of the Synod of the Covenant. Memorial services will be held for Judy on Sunday, June 30, 2 pm at the Central Presbyterian Church in St. Paul, MN.

The 225th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

is coming to Scioto Valley in June 25-July 2, 2022!



Plans are being made by the Presbytery of Scioto Valley to prepare for the honor of hosting the 225th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), June 25-July 2, 2022. If you would like to be involved in the planning for this event, please sign up on the presbytery website: www.psvonline.org or email: jeannie@psvonline.org

2019 PRESBYTERIAN CALENDARS will be available in August...

This 16-month PC(USA) calendar-starting with September, 2019, and ending with December, 2020, can be ordered at any time. Cost will be \$8.50 each. To order, email: dagmar@psvline.org.

Stated Meetings for the Presbytery of Scioto Valley (PSV)

September 17, 2019, 3:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. - Liberty Presbyterian Church, Delaware

November 19,2019, 3:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. - Circleville Presbyterian Church

News is normally sent out mid-week. If you would like to share information about your congregation and its mission and ministry activities, please email them by Wednesday morning to: jeannie@psvonline.org.

Items are included and edited as space allows.

For the latest news and information from the Presbytery of Scioto Valley and its churches, visit www.psvonline.org. Telephone: 614-847-0565 or 800-244-7207; Fax: 614-847-4359

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