

Presbytery of Scioto Valley (PSV) Mid-Week E-News August 21, 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

AUGUST



*A Prayer for
Ordinary Time...*

Forgive us, Lord,
lazy or wasted days,
neglected work or study
and our failure to take
joy
in the life set before us.

Shake us awake
to our times,
to company shared
in hours and tasks,
so that good comes
for ourselves and
for others,
of gifts you give
in Jesus Christ.

Thursday,

Scioto Valley Presbytery Welcomes the newly-elected Stated Clerk, The Reverend Jeff Schooley



Jeff Schooley

A Special Presbytery Meeting was held on Tuesday, August 20 at the Overbrook Presbyterian Church to elect a Stated Clerk for the Presbytery. The Presbytery Nominating Committee placed in nomination the Reverend Jeff Schooley as their candidate for the position of Stated Clerk. Following Moderator Rebecca Tollefson's opening prayer giving thanks to God for the life and faithful service of Sally Robinson, Reverend Schooley was elected as the Stated Clerk for Scioto Valley. While continuing to serve as the pastor of the Marysville First Presbyterian Church, Jeff will begin service as a part-time clerk for the Presbytery on September 1, 2019. Jeff, an Ohio native, is a graduate of Kent State, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary and currently completing his work on a Ph.D. in Theology at Duquesne University. We welcome Jeff, and his wife, Brianne, to Jeff's new ministry as the Stated Clerk for the Presbytery of Scioto Valley.

August 22

1-3 pm
Global Mission
Network Meeting

**Saturday,
August 24**

10 am
Presbyterian Women
PW in PSV
Summer Gathering
Washington Court
House First PC

Sunday, August 25

10:30 am
Brookwood PC
*Closing Worship
Service for the
Eastminster PC*

**Wednesday,
August 28**

Noon
Hanging Rock area
Church Professionals
Lunch at Arch & Eddies
Jackson

SEPTEMBER



**Tuesday,
September 3**

3 pm
PSV Commission for
Congregational Life
(CCL)

2019 Presbyterian Youth Triennium Reflections

By Jenni Whitford, Director of Christian Education, Worthington

I have worked for the PCUSA for 20 years. I have attended church camps, Montreat, APCE conferences, our denominational conference - GA, Synod School and many small weekend retreats. I can tell you that Triennium is THE BEST THING the PCUSA does! I



Worthington PC Youth Group have had the privilege of attending the last 4 Triennium's. The first year I went as an Advisor/Chaperone. That is a tough job! You don't get much sleep and you have to be available for the middle of the night call from a sick teen or if someone has a faith crisis. The last 3 times I have been a Small Group Leader (SGL). I love it! A SGL teaches a group of teens, usually 15-20 teens and 2-3 adults, who are attending as Advisors. Small Group time is when we dig into the Bible and really wrestle with faith questions, doubts and "I Wonder" questions. There are no 2 kids from the same Presbytery in your group, it becomes a very safe space for the teens to ask tough questions. My favorite part about Triennium, though is Worship. Worship is an amazing, Spirit-filled time. Just imagine 5000 people, coming together in Elliott Hall of Music on Purdue's campus to sing, laugh, dance, hear scripture and listen to AWESOME, and I mean, AWESOME preaching. The kids line up outside of worship 30 minutes before the doors open and run, yes, run to their seats. They can't wait, either. I have never felt the Holy Spirit's presence more acutely than at Triennium!

Scioto Valley Presbytery Mourns the Untimely Death of the Reverend Sally Robinson

PSV Stated Clerk, October 1, 2017-August 14, 2019



Sally Robinson

Sally Robinson, minister member of our presbytery and current stated clerk, died unexpectedly on August 14. Sally was born and grew up in Columbus. Sally, one of the first graduates of Whetstone High School, graduated from Northwestern University and Louisville Theological Seminary. Sally began a career in advertising before serving congregations in the Presbytery of Shenandoah and Scioto Valley. She served as an interim

**Monday,
September 9**

12:30

PSV Commission for
Church Professionals
(CCP)

3 pm

PSV Commission for
Presbytery Operations
(CPO)

**Saturday-Tuesday
September 14-17**

Jimmie Hawkins
Events

(www.psvonline.org)

**Saturday,
September 14**

5:30-8 pm

Waverly First PC

Dinner and
Conversation

with Jimmie Hawkins

**Sunday
September 15**

10:45 am

Bethany PC

Rev. Jimmie Hawkins,
Preaching

3:00 pm

Mt. Vernon First PC
Installation Service for
Rev. Ross Slaughter

5-7 pm

Gahanna Mifflin PC
Presbytery-wide

pastor in more than 20 churches, most recently at the First Presbyterian Church in Mt. Gilead. Sally loved her work as a transitional pastor and a stated clerk. She will be missed by congregants, friends and colleagues. A memorial service is planned for Sally for Friday, September 6, 2 pm at the Covenant Presbyterian Church in Columbus. A time to greet and support Sally's family will follow the service.

Presbytery of Scioto Valley Older Adult Fall Rally

Mark your calendars for the annual Older Adult Rally on October 12, 10 am - 3 pm at the Hanover Presbyterian Church. For the cost of only \$15, participants will enjoy a delicious lunch along with the Older Adult Fall Rally Gathering and Program. The guest speaker is Theo Brown, Outreach Coordinator for Religious Groups for the National Institute for Civil Discourse. Topic will be "Why Christians Should Care about Civility". Watch for more information!

Openings in the Presbytery of Scioto Valley

Churches Seeking Staff Persons and Pastors...

The following are some of the opportunities on the PC(USA) Church Leadership Connection (CLC)

<https://clc.pcusa.org>. Once the website is accessed, select opportunity search in the upper right corner. You do not need a password to search.

Waverly First Presbyterian Church...is seeking a full-time solo pastor with 2-5 years of experience. This congregation is composed of members 55 and over and is open to new ideas. If interested, email Cay Roberts at pncfirstpresbychurchwaverly@yahoo.com.

Worthington Presbyterian Church...is seeking a full-time youth pastor/director. Applications are being accepted for either a non-ordained individual or a person seeking a first call. Interested persons may apply on CLC, or email Taylor Surface at taylor.surface@gmail.com.

London First Presbyterian Church...is seeking a full-time solo pastor with 5-10 years of experience to lead with well-prepared sermons and spiritual maturity. Apply on CLC, or send information to Steven Watters at swatters@hamiltonparker.com.

An additional opportunity that is not on the CLC...

Youth Event
with Jimmie Hawkins

**Monday,
September 16
9-11 am**

Overbrook PC
Presbytery Leaders
and Commission
Members

Conversation with
Jimmie Hawkins

2-4 pm

Clintonville Rusty
Bucket

Tea Time for Pastors
with Jimmie Hawkins

7-8:30 pm

Newark Trek
Brewing Company
For Everyone!!!

Church & State in
2020 Conversation
with Jimmie Hawkins

**Tuesday,
September 17**

Delaware Liberty PC
1-3 pm

Pre-Presbytery
Gathering

Topic: Justice Advocacy

Jimmie Hawkins
3:30 pm

**Presbytery
Stated Meeting**

**COMING IN
OCTOBER...**

Iberia Presbyterian Church...is looking for a candidate that is interested in a part-time position. We are a small-town church with an emphasis on family and community service. We would like someone who respects our church's history; has hope for our church's future; and has a clear focus on the current needs of our congregation. If you are interested in finding out more about us, please contact Megan Lawson, Clerk of Session, at megan.r.l@icloud.com

If your church is searching for a pastor or staff person and you would like to put an announcement in the presbytery weekly e-news, send your information to: Jeannie@psvonline.org.

Moderator Rev. Rebecca Tollefson invites you...

*Through the Beautiful Gate Pilgrimage
February 9-20, 2020*

The Holy Land is beautiful, meaningful and complicated. Steeped in history, it is a place shared by many ethnic and religious groups. Stories from the Ancient Near East, including the Bible, tell about a land that has been shaped by war, trade, religion and revelation. The pilgrimage will give travelers the gift of exploring this complexity as important archaeological, Christian, Muslim and Jewish sites are visited. Following Jesus' lead, we will explore, worship together, and listen as the people of the land share their stories and perspectives as they live and work for the rights of all people. Cost per person, double occupancy is \$2040. Single supplement \$790. This includes all guides, hotels and guest houses, tips to driver, guides and hotels, breakfast, 3 special lunches, dinner, entrance fees, luxury bus. Not included: lunches, final dinner, two to three small entrance fees, soft drinks, alcoholic beverages and airfare. A deposit of \$500 is payable to Hudson River Presbytery by September 15, 2019. Mark the check for Israel/Palestine 2020. For more information, email Rebecca: tolle325@hotmail.com.

Congregational Special Events in September

Sunday September 8

2 pm - Highlands Presbyterian Church Concert Irish Fiddle Fetish from Dublin High School will present traditional and modern Irish tunes. More information: www.highlands-presbyterian.org.

Whisler Presbyterian Church. Final Service celebrating the many years and generations of faithful ministry and mission in and through the Whisler Church.



**Sunday,
October 6
World Communion
Sunday**

3 PM

Dedication Service for
Rose Run Presbyterian
Church in New Albany

**Friday,
October 11**

Presbytery Office

10 am - 5 pm

Healthy Boundaries
Training for Pastors

**Saturday,
October 12**

10 am

PSV Older Adult Rally
Hanover PC

**Sunday,
October 27 to
Saturday,
November 2**



Presbytery Mission
Work Week with PDA
in Wilmington, NC

Sunday, September 15

10:45 am - Bethany Presbyterian Church guest preacher,
the Reverend Jimmie Hawkins, Director of the Presbyterian
Mission Agency Office of Public Witness in Washington
D.C.

3 pm - First Presbyterian Church, Mt. Vernon. Installation
service for the pastor, the Reverend Ross Slaughter.

Sunday, September 22

10:30 am - Rose Run Presbyterian Church in New Albany
opening service.

Sunday, September 29

10:30 am - Brookwood Presbyterian Church. Final Service
and celebration in the current location. Brookwood will be
uniting with the Parkview congregation and the Covenant
Parish.

Graveside Service for the Reverend Kristin Schutte

A graveside service for Kristin Schutte, active, but retired, minister member of Scioto Valley, will be held on Thursday, August 29, 11 am at the Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery, 10175 Rawiga Road, Seville, Ohio.

**The 225th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
is coming to Scioto Valley, 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 available in August...

This 16-month PC(USA) calendar, which will begin in September, can be ordered at any time. Cost will be \$8.50 each. To order, email: dagmar@psvonline.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