

Presbytery of Scioto Valley (PSV) Mid-Week E-News September 11, 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

SEPTEMBER

September 11

*A Prayer Remembering...
Holy God: this cross-road
nine-eleven
comes annually unbidden
returning us
to where we were when
we heard, or watched
losses-
Towers, Pentagon,
Pennsylvania field-
and then read day upon
day
of beloved whose lives
ended.*

*In this time of tolling
bells,
fluttering flags,
and public prayer,
heal wounds, touch scars
of those who yet suffer;
teach us gratitude
for courage and sacrifice*

Come and Hear the Reverend Jimmie Hawkins...

Director of the PCUSA Office of Public Witness

Rev. Hawkins will visit the Presbytery of Scioto Valley, September 14-17, for a time of learning, sharing and growing together as we translate the church's deep convictions about justice, peace and freedom from words into reality. "What are the priorities of the PC(USA) in addressing poverty in America?"



Reverend Jimmie Hawkins

Schedule of events for September 14-17.

September 14, 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm, Rev. Jimmie Ray Hawkins Visits Waverly First Presbyterian Church for Dinner and Conversation. Topic will be Addressing Poverty in Rural America.

September 15

10:45 am - 12:00 pm, Rev. Jimmie Ray Hawkins Preaches at Bethany Presbyterian Church, Columbus, lunch and Q&A following.

5:00 - 7:00 pm, Rev. Jimmie will lead a Youth Event with dinner at Mifflin Presbyterian Church, Gahanna. "How Can Youth Make a Difference Through the Church"? \$5 donation for Pizza. Youth leaders, please share the number of participants with kathibubb@gmail.com.

of rescuers and re-builders.

Mend and amend our world and nation, save us from forgetfulness and also hate; in Jesus of the cross.

**Saturday,
September 14**

5:30-8 pm
Waverly First PC
Dinner and
Conversation
with Jimmie Hawkins

**Sunday
September 15**
10:30 am
Logan First
Presbyterian Church
Celebrates 190 Years!

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
Youth Event
with Jimmie Hawkins

September 16

9:00 - 11:00 am, Rev. Jimmie Ray Hawkins will meet with all presbytery leaders at Overbrook Presbyterian Church.

2:00 - 4:00 pm, Tea Time for all pastors with Rev. Jimmie at Rusty Bucket, Clintonville.

7:00 - 8:30 pm, Rev. Jimmie will gather with all interested at the Trek Brewing Company in Newark. Theme: Balancing Church and State in 2020.

September 17

1:00 - 3:00 pm, Rev. Jimmie will speak at a pre-Presbytery Meeting; Liberty Presbyterian Church, Delaware; Theme: Justice Advocacy.

3:30 - 7:30 pm, Presbytery of Scioto Valley Meeting, "What is the Office of Public Witness?" by Jimmie.

Congregations Celebrate Mission and Ministry



Worship and Fellowship in the Church Yard

Dublin Presbyterian Church

celebrated 30 years of mission and ministry as a congregation on Sunday, September 8.

With special music and hymn singing the choir, hand bell ringers, instrumentalists, and the whole congregation, joined in making a

beautiful song to the Lord. Stories were shared, a potluck picnic was enjoyed, and a special kitchen renovation was dedicated in honor of a beloved member.

After 30 years of mission and ministry, the Dublin Presbyterian Church is still going strong and strives to be the hands feet and face of Jesus in the world around us. Thanks be to God!

**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 All
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 Event

Topic: Justice
Advocacy

Jimmie Hawkins,
Leader

Session Record Review

Noon-3 p.m.

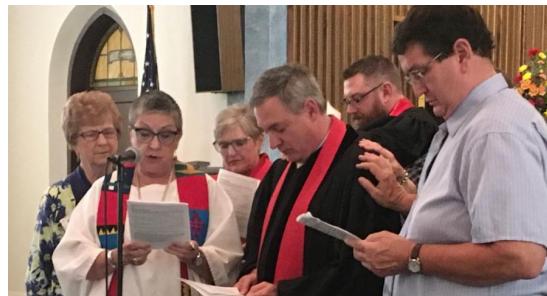
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**Whisler Presbyterian Church Celebrates 160 Years of
Mission and
Ministry...**



On Sunday, September 8, the Whisler Presbyterian Church was filled with church members, past and present, pastors, friends and families, who gathered to celebrate the many years of faithful ministry and mission in downtown Whisler. In the midst of special music, stories, scripture, prayers and fellowship, the Whisler congregation held a worshipful celebration of closing to their 160 years of ministry. During this worship of reflection and sharing, hymns dear to their hearts filled the sanctuary with the voices of the past and present blending in harmony. Reverend Don Frank delivered a meaningful message to the congregation and the service was closed with a congregational singing of the benediction.

**First Presbyterian Church, Mt. Gilead and the Presbytery
of Scioto Valley Install Pastor Gary Brose**



The First Presbyterian Church, Mount Gilead, is indeed pleased to welcome their new pastor, Reverend Gary Brose. Rev. Brose was charged to serve the congregation with energy, intelligence,

imagination, and love by Presbytery Moderator, Rev. Rebecca Tollefson. In this service of music and worship, the pastor pledged to care for this flock and the congregation was charged with accepting and supporting his leadership as they meet the future in ministry and mission. The members of the Installation Commission were, Rev. Dr. Jeri-Lynne Bouterse, Rev. Jeff Schooley, Ruling Elder Bonnie Hildebrand, Ruling Elder Dan Dreis, Ruling Elder Mike Porter, and Pastor Christine Burns. A

floor of the Carriage House - and there is an Elevator!)

3:30 pm
Presbytery
Stated Meeting

**Sunday,
September 22**

10:30 am
Rose Run PC
New Albany
Opening Celebration
in Home Church
Building

**Sunday,
September 29**

10:30 am
Brookwood
Presbyterian Church
Final Service and
Celebration in Current
Building, 2685 E.
Livingston Ave.

Columbus

OCTOBER

**Sunday,
October 6**

**World Communion
Sunday**

10:30 am
First Worship Service
of the New Unity
Presbyterian Church at
Parkview PC in
Reynoldsburg
*(A Celebration of the
uniting of the Parkview,*

time of fellowship followed the service where all could welcome Rev. Brose to his new role.

Delaware-Area Churches Gather for Worship...

Two historic churches in Western Delaware County came together for a joint outdoor service and picnic on September 8. Rev. Adam Anderson from Old Stone Presbyterian (1810) invited the people of Ostrander Presbyterian (1834) to a time of fall celebration. When he did so, it also brought Ostrander's new Stated Supply, Rev. Ronald Botts, back to the congregation where he had been student supply minister while in seminary many years ago.

While the two churches have had a history of cooperative ventures in the past, this may hopefully open the door to some new opportunities for witness in their growing area of the county. Both pastors recognize that Presbyterians today need to come together more than ever, even as they maintain the unique identities of their church families. The Psalmist's words still ring true, "How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity."

**The Presbytery of Scioto Valley, PC(USA)
252 Stated Meeting, September 17, 3:30 - 7:30 pm
Liberty Presbyterian Church, 7080 Olentangy, Delaware**

- 1 PM Reverend Jimmie Hawkins, Office of Public Witness
- 2:30 PM Training for New Commissioners
- 3:30 PM Convening the Meeting
- Worship
- Steward Christ's Work
- Introductions, Staff Reports, Announcements
- Celebrate Christ's Mission
- Mission Report: Rev. Cynthia Holder Rich
- Rev. Joon Won Lee, Korean PC
- Rev. Jimmie Hawkins, Public Witness
- Refreshments and Conversation
- Commission Reports
- Coordinating Team
- Eastminster Administration Commission
- Church Merger Task Force: Uniting Congregations
- Commission for Presbytery Operations
- Commission for Church Professionals
- Commission for Congregational Life
- Commission for Nurture and Outreach

*Brookwood and Covenant
Parish Congregations)*

3 PM

Dedication Service for
Rose Run Presbyterian
Church in New Albany

Tuesday,

October 1

1 PM

Older Adult
Ministries Team

October

Thursday,

October 10

6 pm

Presbytery

Conference Room

Orientation Gathering
for the Members of the
PSV 2019 Mission

Work Team Members

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,

Presbytery Nominating Committee

New Business

Moderator's Report

Announcements, Invitations, Joys and Concerns

Closing Prayer and Benediction

Choir Robes and Hammond Organ available...

Greenfield Pisgah Church... has 12 maroon choir robes with white stoles that are available for another church.

In addition, our Hammond organ, vintage 1950s, is no longer in working order. If someone would like to have it, please contact Nancy Ratliff, Clerk: 937-981-2072.

Drug Safe/Vaping Health Risks Presentation

Tuesday, September 24, Worthington Presbyterian Church

According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, 38% of high school students and 13% of middle school children tried 'VAPING' (the use of e-cigarette products) in 2018-19. Worthington Presbyterian Church (773 High St.) and Presbyterian Women United invite you on Tuesday, September 24 to hear Lori Povich, chair of Drug Safe Worthington, speak about the popularity of vaping and the health risks. Dessert and coffee at 6:30 pm; program at 7.

Presbytery's Annual Church Professionals Retreat

Topic: What does the Church need to know about
SBNR...(Spiritual but not Religious)



All pastors are especially invited to attend the annual retreat designed for church professionals, November 3-5, 2019, at the Deer Creek Resort near Mount Sterling, Ohio.

This year's retreat will feature the Reverend Dr. Linda Mercadante, who will lead a conversation on what the church and its leaders need to know about spiritual but not religious in today's world. Guest music and worship leaders, called the "Executive Session", who specialize in hymns set to jazz arrangements, will inspire all participants with their amazing music and creative worship. Registration and more detailed

November 2

Presbytery Mission
Work Team Working
with PDA

in Wilmington, NC

Sunday,

November 3-

Tuesday,

November 5

Deer Creek State Park
Church Professionals
Annual Fall Retreat

Register
at www.psvonline.org

**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". You can find the flyer with the registration form at www.psvonline.org

information are available on the presbytery website: www.psvonline.org.



**PRESBYTERIAN
DISASTER ASSISTANCE**

OUT OF CHAOS, HOPE

Hurricane Dorian made landfall in the Bahamas as a category 5 hurricane on September 1, 2019. All of us feel great sadness about the damage this hurricane has already caused, the loss of life, destroyed homes and structures, floods and affected vegetation. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) has provided a solidarity grant for response efforts in the Bahamas. PDA is in communication with several international response organizations, including Church World Service (CWS) and ACT Alliance, as well as National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD) and Puerto Rico VOAD. In conversations with ACT Alliance and CWS, we are identifying needs, local capacities and providing updated information. We understand the genuine desire to help our neighbors. As learned from previous disasters and the shared experience of many relief organizations, the best way to respond to a disaster is through monetary donations. Cash donations are the most efficient form of assistance. Unlike material donations, cash involves no transportation costs, shipping delays, or customs fees. It also enables relief organizations to spend more time providing aid by spending less time managing goods. Cash donations also allow relief supplies to be purchased in markets close to the disaster site, which stimulates the local economy, thereby boosting employment and generating cash flow. If you would like to support PDA's response, please designate gifts to DR000194 [online](#) or by check with "DR000194-Dorian" on the memo line to:

Presbyterian Church (USA), P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700.

**Westside Urban
Ministry (WUM)
Needs Coats...**

Once again, WUM is collecting new and gently used children's jackets. Bring yours to the next Presbytery meeting! Or, bring it to the box in the Presbytery office. WUM hopes that with your generosity we can once again provide over 800 coats to nurses and guidance counselors in schools on the West Side of Columbus to use with their school children as they see fit. Thank you!

**The Reverend Maria
Bock Baret**

*PC(USA) International
Peacemaker from the
Dominican Republic
September 14-18*

Maria is being hosted by the First Presbyterian Church in Athens. For more information, contact Rob Martin:

rmartin@athensfpc.org.

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.

Office Manager, 40 hours a week with benefits, for more information and see the position description at londonfirstpres@gmail.com

Columbus St. Andrew Presbyterian Church...is seeking a full-time solo pastor for a designated term. The candidate should have 0-2 years experience and be focused on three areas of ministry: care of aging members, Christian education for adults and youth, creating an environment to attract new membership. For more information, contact: David Hornbeck at standrewpres.pnc@gmail.com.

London First Presbyterian Church...is seeking a full time Office Manager. For more information, or to apply, contact The Reverend Desiree Youngblood at dyoungblood@swbell.net.

AN ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITY NOT YET ON THE CLC...

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. Iberia Presbyterian is also looking for a pianist for Sunday worship and special services. Inquiries may be directed to Megan Lawson.

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.

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



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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