

Presbytery of Scioto Valley (PSV) Mid-Week E-News October 23, 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

OCTOBER



Lord of our seasons:

Now comes a football
weekend

with tail-gating and
cheers;

also leaf-raking,
bedding gardens,
and washing windows.

Give us joy in games
of the young;
keep players safe and
fair,
and spirit on the field
and in the stands
good.

Presbyterian Women (PW) Fall Gathering

Saturday, October 26, 10 am

Worthington Presbyterian Church

The Fall Gathering of PW in PSV will focus on "Widening Your Circle" through mission opportunities. This Gathering will be a *Mission In-Gathering* for the Near Northside Emergency Material Assistance Program (NNEMAP). Please bring donations of feminine hygiene products and toilet paper. There will also be tables displaying wares and items for sale by our PW sisters. All proceeds will go to support mission projects. A special feature of the gathering will be a book review on [Camino Divina: Walking the Divine Way](#) by Gina Marie Mammano.

Presbytery of Scioto Valley Congregational News



Columbus Crestview Presbyterian Church....

In the church's October newsletter, worship leader Elder Carol Bogaards wrote that it was very important for members to be present in worship on October 13. On that Sunday all members and non-members at worship received an envelope with a letter and a new 100-dollar bill. They were asked to be a blessing to however God led them to use and or give away the money. They could also keep it themselves if they needed to pay bills or their neighbor had some needs.

Lord of our seasons:
Paint these days and
grant delight
in chores and play,
work and rest,
service and silence,
loves and friendships;

Through the love of
Jesus.

**Thursday,
October 24**

10 am
Certified Ruling Elder
(CRE) Task Team
1 pm
PSV Nominating
Committee

**Saturday,
October 26**

Presbyterian Women
PW Fall Gathering
Worthington PC
773 High St.
9:30 am Registration
10 am Gathering
"Widening our Circle"

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

Presbytery Mission
Work Team
in Wilmington, NC
(Hold in prayer the 19
members of this work
team. These persons
come from 9 of our
PSV congregations.)

Where did the money come from? Pastoral leader Carol asked the session for \$1,500 and asked that they trust her. She also asked that they ask no questions about the plans for the money. The session voted to give her the money. Crestview has 28 members. Carol felt that \$1,500 dollars would cover the attendance that day. Well, she was wrong. She needed \$1,800. Just in case, she had brought along an extra \$300 of her own money. The Crestview folks have three weeks to decide how to use the money.

The Ostrander Presbyterian Church...will celebrate its



Ostrander Presbyterian Church

185th Anniversary on
November 10. The
Reverend Rebecca
Tollefson, Moderator of the
Presbytery, will be the
guest preacher. Former
pastors will be welcomed
and offered appreciation for
their faithful ministries with

the Ostrander church family. The Presbyterian Pickers of the Delaware First Presbyterian Church will be the guest musicians for the celebration. A family style luncheon will conclude the day's festivities.

Reynoldsburg Unity Presbyterian

Church...invites you to attend the annual "Teddy Bear Tea" on Saturday, November 2 from 1-3 pm at the Unity Presbyterian Church (formerly Parkview Presbyterian Church), 6969 East Livingston Avenue, Reynoldsburg. There will be fun, fellowship, a light lunch, and entertainment provided by the group Acoustic Mayhem followed by a singalong. Please come and bring "real" friends along with Teddy Bears and other "stuffed" friends" to be donated to the Far-Eastside Neighborhood Pride Center in support of their Christmas toy drive.



West Berlin Presbyterian Church, 2911 Berlin Station Road, Delaware...invites everyone to a free Community Soup Supper this Friday, October 25, 4:30-7 PM.

**Thursday,
October 31**

10:30 am
Mission Initiative
Ministry Board

NOVEMBER

**Sunday,
November 3-
Tuesday,
November 5**

Deer Creek State Park
Church Professionals
Annual Fall Retreat

**Monday,
November 11**

12:30 pm
PSV Commission for
Church Professionals
(CCP)

3 pm
PSV Commission for
Presbytery Operations
(CPO)

**Tuesday,
November 12**

3 pm
PSV Commission
for Congregational Life
(CCL)

**Wednesday,
November 13**

Older Adult
Ministry Team
10 am

PC (U.S.A.) BOARD OF PENSIONS NEWS...

Reverend Douglas Portz, Senior Church Consultant

Come and discover what new benefits your church can offer to staff at no cost to the church! The Rev. Douglas Portz will be sharing information at a pre-presbytery meeting at the Circleville PC from 2-3 PM prior to the presbytery meeting on November 19. Topics to be covered include changes and how they affect benefits your church may offer pastors and staff. There are various menu options. Reverend Portz will be present to help you check out the Benefits Connect website and discover the new resources that are available.

2020 PRESBYTERY BUDGET AND PER CAPITA...

During the September Presbytery Meeting, the PSV Commission for Presbytery Operations presented for a first reading a budget for 2020 and a proposed Per Capita to help balance the presbytery budget. Continuing decreases in member numbers necessitates an increase in Per Capita to maintain the life and ministries of the presbytery. The 2020 Per Capita proposed by Operations is \$45 per person, an increase of \$9.25 per person per year. This breaks out as \$32.80 for the Presbytery; \$9.95 for the General Assembly; \$3.25 for the Synod of the Covenant.

The majority of the per capita stays in the presbytery and supports the programs, ministries, resources, staff, mission grants and activities here in Scioto Valley.

The 2020 Per Capita proposal will be acted on at the November 19 Presbytery Meeting.

PARTNERS IN EDUCATION (PIE), January 11, 2020

A Leadership Training Day for Everyone!

New Location...Worthington Presbyterian Church

Plan now to participate in the Presbytery's popular annual leadership day...PIE. The PIE event will focus on "Becoming Vital Congregations". A wide variety of workshops will be offered, such as elder and deacon training, Christian Education, older adult programming, global mission, legal issues in the church, worship and others.

PRESBYTERY-WIDE ANNUAL YOUTH RETREAT

**Thursday,
November 14**

6-7:30 pm

Gathering/Orientation
for new volunteers in
the Presbytery
Commissions
CCP, CCL, CPO, CNO,
and CT

**Tuesday,
November 19**

Presbytery Meeting
Circleville
Presbyterian Church

Camp Akita, February 7-9, 2020



Plan to gather
your youth and
leaders for the
2020 Youth
Retreat at Camp
Akita in early
February.
Information and
registration
brochures will be
available soon. For
more information,
email the

Reverend Steve Brand at sbrand@pts.edu.

Openings in the Presbytery of Scioto Valley (PSV)....Seeking Staff Persons and Pastors...

Presbytery of Scioto Valley Search for Presbytery Treasurer for 2020

Are you someone knowledgeable in financial management and accounting and familiar with Presbytery polity and systems? If so, the position of Treasurer of the Presbytery of Scioto Valley may be the way to serve that you have been looking for. The Treasurer is a 1-year position with an option for renewal. Some of the responsibilities include working with the presbytery staff team and the various commissions to prepare and present budget and audit information. This important role includes working closely with the Financial Assistant to organize and communicate the finances of the presbytery to provide clarity for all. The Treasurer also oversees the presbytery and church loan relationships with the Office of General Assembly, the Foundation, and local financial institutions. This is not a paid staff position but does provide a small stipend and expenses as needed. A full job description and application will be available on the presbytery website soon. The position will be filled by the November Stated meeting for election by the body for 2020. For questions, email: Jeannie@psvonline.org

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.

Highlands Presbyterian Church...is seeking a part-time pastor. The following are the desired qualities/qualifications of a pastor, listed in order of priority: Biblical and theological knowledge; PC(USA) Seminary trained; Experienced spiritual leader; able to communicate effectively with the congregation; able to motivate youth and adults; able to manage church programs. Activities include worship leadership; teaching; moderating

meetings; pastoral care; church redevelopment. For more information, contact Kathleen Isern, Clerk of Session; email klisern@gmail.com, or by phone: 614-327-4295.

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.

News from the PCUSA Board of Pensions...Healthy Pastors/Healthy Congregations Program

This program brings together pastors and congregational leadership to work toward financial sustainability by providing financial education, consultation, and theological reflection to help all build a brighter future financial together. A one-time grant of up to \$10,000 is available to eligible pastors after the pastor and congregational leaders have completed an educational seminar, and the pastor has completed online educational modules, as well as financial counseling through Ernst and Young. The program is paid for by the Board of Pensions and a Lilly Grant. The grant can be used for debt reduction or for retirement savings. For more details please go to www.pensions.org and look under the heading "Healthy Pastors, Healthy Congregations" to check the eligibility requirements for this program. The Rev. Dr. Douglas Portz, will conduct a seminar at the Circleville PC on Monday November 18th from 6:30- 8:30 PM for pastors and congregations that sign up. To sign up, please contact HPHC@pensions.org. or call 215-587-7219.

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 Stated Meeting for the Presbytery of Scioto Valley (PSV)

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