

Presbytery of Scioto Valley (PSV) Mid-Week E-News November 6, 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

NOVEMBER



Lord of questions:
when asked,
"And, what
is the gospel?"
an answer given

I find unforgettable:
"The world is a safe place."
"Saved place"
means the same,
eternally safe,
though not
day to day in our lifetimes
nor year to year
in this world
and beyond.

Celebrating Ordination Anniversaries in November Scioto Valley Ministers of Word and Sacrament



November 1, 1961	Reverend Dr. Reid D. Huntley
November 1, 2009	Reverend Michael C. Ludwig
November 2, 1980	Reverend Phyllis A. Heffner
November 3, 1985	Reverend Judith Birdsall
November 4, 2012	Reverend Margaret Coggins
November 8, 1998	Reverend Joon Won Lee
November 11, 1956	Reverend John J. Manos
November 16, 1986	Reverend Mark Pierce
November 19, 1995	Reverend Mark Orten
November 23, 1986	Reverend Mark L. Gauen
November 28, 1999	Reverend Kevin W. Heckathorn
November 29, 1992	Reverend Karen Stahr Bloom
November 30, 1958	Reverend Richard D. Ellsworth
November 30, 1997	Reverend Deborah A. Lewicki

God, help us
find our ways
in your way of risk
for goodness
in this safe and
scary world
with Jesus
our Saver.

**Monday,
November 11**

12:30 pm
PSV Commission for Church
Professionals
(CCP)
3 pm
PSV Commission for
Presbytery Operations
(CPO)
6:30 pm
West-side Urban Ministry
(WUM) Meeting at Hoge PC

**Tuesday,
November 12**

3 pm
PSV Commission
for Congregational Life
(CCL)

**Wednesday,
November 13**

Older Adult
Ministry Team
10 am

**Tuesday,
November 19**

Presbytery Meeting
Circleville
Presbyterian Church

2019 Church Professionals Annual Retreat

November 3-5, Deer Creek Resort



2019 Deer Creek Pastors' Retreat

Pastors from across the Presbytery gathered with friends and colleagues at the Deer Creek Resort for a time of inspiration, fellowship and education during this

year's conference/retreat. The Reverend Dr. Linda Mercadante led a fascinating and challenging discussion of what the church needs to know and do in a time of change. In the midst of these discussions the participants were treated to inspiring music and worship led by members of the "Executive Session", Reverend Dr. Wilson Gunn, Reverend Dr. Sheldon Sorge and Reverend Dr. Tammy Wiens. These gifted music leaders traveled from North Carolina and Pennsylvania to serve as the retreat worship and music leaders.

2020 Narrative Budget for the Presbytery of Scioto Valley

By Bob Gustafson, Chair of Presbytery Operations (CPO)

The Presbytery of Scioto Valley budget is our tool for planning fiscal support of our programs across the full spectrum of our Presbytery. It represents our values and how we want to implement them within the Presbytery. CPO has worked with each of the Commissions and the Coordinating Team in the development of the 2020 budget. Please recognize that if we did not believe that the work represented by the budget numbers is necessary to support your work and the witness of Jesus Christ in the world, we would not be sending this request to the Presbytery. The budget of course continues to be open to discussion. The following is information that it is hoped will be helpful in understanding our current budget situation. Read more at <https://psvonline.org/publication/10791/>

**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 PIE event. This
popular leadership 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**

**Camp Akita in the
Hocking Hills**

February 7-9, 2020

Information and registration
brochures will be available
soon. For more information,
see the Presbytery
website: www.psvonline.org

THANKS...Thanks!!!

To the congregations that
have already paid their full
per capita.
With congregational
support and generosity, the
Presbytery can fulfill its
shared mission goals and
ministries.

CONGREGATIONAL/ PRESBYTERY-WIDE NEWS

Ostrander Presbyterian Church...will celebrate its
185th Anniversary on November 10. The Reverend
Rebecca Tollefson, Moderator of the Presbytery, will be the
guest preacher. Former pastors of the Ostrander church
family will be welcomed and recognized with appreciation
for their faithful ministries. 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. Everyone Welcome!

STEWARDS OF THE ENVIRONMENT...

A special event at the Worthington Presbyterian Church on
Wednesday, November 13, 7 pm. (6:30 pm coffee and
dessert). Guest Speaker: Reverend Dr. Linda Mercadante.
All are welcome!



**Westside Urban
Ministries
(WUM)...**Invites you
to Collect and Share
Coats for Kids through
November 15. Do you
know that every day
from now until spring,

there are children on Columbus's West Side who will come
to school with nothing but the clothes on their backs? The
Presbytery's Westside Urban Ministries (WUM) works with
schools to enable the school nurse or counselor to give a
jacket to every child in need. WUM's goal is to provide 30
jackets for emergency winter use to each of the 22 West
side schools.

Please help WUM provide coats and jackets to the schools
again this year. WUM is taking donations of new and
gently-used coats for school-age children until November
15. Elementary school sizes are especially needed.
Collection boxes and people can be found at the Presbytery
office, and also at Concord Fellowship, Covenant, Broad
Street, Hoge, Plain City, and Westminster Presbyterian
churches. Special thanks to Rose Run Presbyterian church
for its donation of more coats than it has members!
Questions? Call Patti Nussle at (614) 209-5600.

2019 Presbytery Mission Work Team Members...



Members of the 2019 Mission Work Team in North Carolina

Members of the 2019 Mission Work Team in North Carolina spent a week painting, installing paneling and hanging drywall in three different homes, which were being prepared for the return of their displaced families.

Elders, pastors and other Presbyterians enjoyed making new friends as they served together in rebuilding homes damaged by Hurricane Florence in

Openings in the Presbytery of Scioto Valley (PSV)....Churches Seeking Pastors...

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.

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, November 18, 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m., Circleville Presbyterian Church

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 18, 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 in the Summer of 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)

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

E-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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