

# Presbytery of Scioto Valley (PSV) Mid-Week E-News January 16, 2020

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## *The Presbytery* OF SCIOTO VALLE

### **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**

#### **JANUARY 2020**



"The Earth is the Lord's"  
(Psalm 24:1)  
Oh God...

fires chase your people  
yet again to places  
named "Nod,"  
new homes or stops  
east or west of Eden.

Go with your children  
yet again, Lord.  
Help those driven by fire,  
threat or fear to trust  
they will be received  
when and where  
they stop next.

### **PARTNERS IN EDUCATION (PIE)**

*2020 "PIE" Event Gathers Nearly 200 Presbyterians for a Day of Training, Education, Inspiration and Fellowship*

Presbyterians from thirty congregations in the presbytery gathered at the Worthington Presbyterian Church on January 11 for the annual (PIE)



2020 Partners in Education (PIE) Event leadership/educational event. Special guest leaders, The Reverend Dr. Kathryn Threadgill and the Reverend Dr. David Gambrell, PC(USA) denominational staff, led workshops and keynotes on Growing Vital Congregations and Creative Worship. Much of Kathryn's Saturday afternoon workshop on Vital Congregations can be viewed at: <https://youtu.be/6OmU0Qq2XKw>.

Many words of gratitude and thankfulness go to the dedicated planning team led by Kathi Bubb, Jenni Whitford, Mary Gause, and the Worthington Presbyterian Church staff and members, who all worked hard to make this popular event a great event for all who participated.

And grant, Lord,  
that we be  
among their receivers  
who welcome your  
children, despite or  
because of...  
their origins;

in Jesus, your child  
from Bethlehem,  
or Nazareth,  
or the Middle East,  
or the cross,  
or from you,  
to us.

*Prayer by bill leety*

**Thursday,  
January 16**

1:30 pm  
Older Adult Ministry  
Committee

**4-6 pm**

Clintonville Rusty  
Bucket



***Fireside Chat  
For all Pastors!!!***

**Friday-Saturday  
January 17-18**

Alternate CPE for CREs

## **Presbytery-wide WINTER YOUTH RETREAT CAMP AKITA, February 7-9, 2020**

The PSV Annual Winter Youth Retreat is designed for youth in grades 6-12. This year's theme is "Let Love Lead". Sign up now for this popular retreat that fills up! Registration brochures are available on the Presbytery website: [www.psvonline.org](http://www.psvonline.org).

## **SPECIAL EVENTS IN THE PRESBYTERY Coming Soon**

- Tuesday, February 18, Stated Presbytery Meeting, Newark Second Presbyterian Church.
- Saturday, February 22, Presbyterian Women in Scioto Valley Spring Gathering at the First Presbyterian Church in Fredericktown.
- Sunday-Monday, March 15-16, PSV Annual Leadership Retreat at Procter Conference Center.
- Sunday-Thursday, May 3-7, Transitional Ministry 101, sponsored by PSV at the Procter Conference Center.

## **NEXT CHURCH National Conference**

March 2-4, 2020 in Cincinnati, Ohio

The NEXT Church is a network of leaders including church members, ruling elders, youth leaders, educators, pastors, seminarians and professors from across the Presbyterian Church (USA), who believe the church of the future will be more relational, diverse, collaborative, hopeful and agile. For more information on NEXT Church: [nextchurch.net](http://nextchurch.net). Plan now to attend this year's national NEXT Church conference in March in Cincinnati. Scioto Valley's Ministry Initiatives Board (MIB) is offering a limited number of \$400 scholarships for those interested in attending this conference. For information, or to apply for a scholarship, email Mark Gauen, [pastormark.wfp@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pastormark.wfp@sbcglobal.net).

## **Congregational News and Events...**

**Mission Trip Opportunity.....**Jackson First Presbyterian Church is planning a mission work trip with PDA, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, this summer in Puerto Rico. There is a limit of 16 people. Eight members from the First Presbyterian Church in Jackson have already

**January 20**  
**Birthday of Martin**  
**Luther King Jr.**

Presbytery Office  
Closed

**Tuesday,**  
**January 21**

4 pm  
PSV Coordinating  
Team (CT) Meeting

**Wednesday,**  
**January 22**

Noon  
Hanging Rock Area  
Pastors' Lunch  
Gathering  
Arch and Eddies  
in Jackson

**Thursday,**  
**January 23**

10 am  
PSV Certified Ruling  
Elder (CRE)  
Task Team

1 pm  
PSV Nominating  
Committee

**Tuesday,**  
**January 28**

1 pm  
PSV Commission for  
Nurture and Outreach  
(CNO)

signed up. The Jackson Church is looking for eight additional people. For more information please contact pastor Shelley Wiley [scwiley@aol.com](mailto:scwiley@aol.com)

**Worthington Presbyterian Church...**members and pastors are still celebrating the impact that with only \$15,000 they were able to wipe out nearly 4 million dollars of medical debt for nearly 3000 families in 15 Ohio counties. Through the RIP medical debt, a non-profit organization, money is multiplied and provides much needed debt relief for needy families who are much below the poverty level.

**Gallipolis First Presbyterian Church...**is embarking on a yearlong congregational challenge called "Devoted". The Reverend Mark Parsons, pastor, issued this challenge on Baptism of the Lord Sunday and cast a vision for 2020 based on Acts 2:42. Throughout the year, the congregation will devote themselves to teaching, fellowship and prayer, beginning with a five-week Bible study on Prayers of the Bible.

**The 225th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) will be held in Columbus in 2022**  
*July 2-9, 2022*

The Presbytery of Scioto Valley has the honor of hosting the 225th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), July 2-9, 2022. For questions, or to join the team of volunteers, email: [jeannie@psvonline.org](mailto:jeannie@psvonline.org)

## Welcome Jim Wagner... Treasurer for the Presbytery of Scioto Valley

We are pleased to welcome Jim Wagner to our Presbytery staff as the treasurer for the Presbytery. Jim, a deacon in the First Presbyterian Church in Logan, is the spouse of the Reverend Liz Wagner, pastor of the Logan First Presbyterian Church. Jim comes to this position with vast experience and many skills. Jim is a graduate of the Ohio State University with a B.S. in Business Administration. He is a financial and accounting professional, who is committed to improving operations and processes leading to increased productivity. Welcome Jim!



Jim Wagner, PSV Treasurer

## Stated Meetings of the Presbytery of Scioto Valley (PSV) in 2020

February 18, 2020, 3:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. - Newark, Second Presbyterian Church  
May 19, 2020, 3:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. - Columbus, Broad Street Presbyterian Church  
September 15, 2020, 3:30 p.m. -7:30 p.m. - Columbus, Overbrook Presbyterian Church  
November 17, 2020, 3:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. - Jackson, First Presbyterian Church

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