

Presbytery of Scioto Valley (PSV) Mid-Week E-News February 27, 2020

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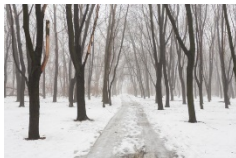
Mission and Vision Statement

"Inspire, Strengthen, And Challenge Congregations For Christ's Mission"

February 18, 2020

Presbytery Calendar

FEBRUARY



Creator...
with whom we start and
finish as dust:
in this time between
we cherish
breath and bone
in being your children
and family
one to another.
As we follow the step
and stride of Jesus
our brother...
give us more of his
grace and courage,
compassion and hope.
(A Prayer by bill leety.)

Thursday, February 27

Global Mission
Ministry Team

1 pm

Self-Development of People Sunday, March 15

Congregations in Scioto Valley Presbytery are being asked by our Self-Development of People Committee (SDOP) to observe March 15 as SDOP Sunday.



This program is funded in our presbytery through the *One Great Hour of Sharing* Special Offering.

This year SDOP will celebrate its 50th Anniversary Year in the PC(USA).

The SDOP Sunday resource lifts up stories of community building, self-reliance, and hope - stories of God in action. It also provides hymns, liturgical suggestions, and how to access other free SDOP resources that are available to you and your congregation. Resources for interpreting SDOP to your congregation can be found on-line at:

<https://www.presbyterianmission.org/resource/2019-sdop-sunday-resource/>

An article from the Presbyterian Outlook in 2018 gives a historical background of why and how the program was organized. Members of our presbytery SDOP committee would be happy to interpret how community groups can receive funds for self-development projects. To receive a copy of this article contact dagmar@psvonline.org.

For questions, or for more information, contact

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MARCH



Sunday, March 1

First Sunday in Lent
PDA (*Presbyterian Disaster Assistance*)
Blue T-Shirt Sunday

Sunday, March 8

Celebrate the Gifts of
Women Sunday

Monday, March 9

10 am
Committee on Local
Arrangements (COLA)
Meeting with GA partners
and J. Herbert Nelson,
Stated Clerk

*Topic: Hands and Feet
Initiatives*
(Overbrook Church Parlor)

3 pm
(CPO) Commission for
Presbytery Operations

(CCL) Commission for
Congregational Life
"Zoom" Meeting

Tuesday, March 10

Commission for Church
Professionals (CCP)
12:30-2:30 pm

Alternative CPE for CREs
3-8 pm

PSV's WESTSIDE URBAN MINISTRY (WUM) Information and Opportunities

WUM is a consortium of congregations in the Presbytery who have joined hands "to be a community of God that helps the Columbus West Side live life to the fullest".

All congregations in the Presbytery are welcome to join in this mission ministry. WUM has a rather fluid operational structure that enables this ministry to actively engage in the world around making our faith come alive, while waking us up to new possibilities. WUM leaders are currently talking with the Ohio Justice & Policy Center about opening a legal clinic on the Columbus West side that will help people with criminal records overcome barriers to employment and housing. A criminal legal clinic like this is a new type of legal clinic in Columbus, which can help people get fresh starts in their lives.

(WUM is always accepting new and gently used winter coats for school age children. Please bring coats to the Presbytery office, or email Overbrook's Connie Jump at csjumps@gmail.com)

Transitional Ministry Training 101 in Scioto Valley, May 3-7, 2020, Procter Conference Center

The Commission for Church Professionals is especially encouraging all active pastors to come and take advantage of this important training program. This program, which is valuable education for all pastors, will offer education and skills



development to more effectively lead congregations in the midst of changes in culture, context, ministry and leadership. Cost of the program is \$300 plus housing and meals. Cost of a double room including meals is \$450. Some scholarship assistance will be available for Scioto Valley participants. See more about the event at:

<https://psvonline.org/events/transitional-ministry-training-101>. For questions contact: Jeannie@psvonline.org or Dagmar@psvonline.org.

Tuesday, March 10

Fireside Chat
4-6 pm

Clintonville Rusty Bucket
All pastors welcome!

Sunday, March 15

Self-Development of
People Sunday

PSV Leadership Retreat
Procter Conference
Center, London, OH
Sunday, 6 pm to Monday,
1 pm

Monday, March 16

1-3 pm
Coordinating Team
(CT) Meeting at Procter
(following the Retreat)

Thursday, March 19

10 am
PSV CRE Task Team

1 pm
PSV Older Adult
Ministry Task Team

First Day of Spring!



Tuesday, March 24

Commission for Nurture
and Outreach
(CNO) 1 pm

FIRESIDE CHATS for All Pastors in Scioto Valley

Tuesday, March 10 & Wednesday, June 3, 4-6
pm. Clintonville Rusty Bucket

Plan now to gather with your pastor colleagues from around the Presbytery at one of the Fireside Chats planned for March and June. These delightful gatherings, sponsored by the Presbytery Commission for Church Professionals, bring pastors in Scioto Valley together for fellowship, conversation and refreshments. Appetizers are provided. There is no need to sign up. Just come and gather anytime between 4 and 6 pm on March 10 and/or June 3.

Congregational News and Events...

Mission Work Trip Opportunity with First Presbyterian Church of Jackson...

This mission trip to Puerto Rico will be Friday, July 10 through Friday, July 17. We will spend the first night in San Juan taking in the culture, then drive to Anasco on Saturday for our orientation to the work we will be doing and to settle into the guest house. The cost is approximately \$1,000 per person. That covers all regular expenses (airfare, room and board, vehicle rental) plus a small contingency fund. Each individual will be responsible for securing their own airline ticket, so contact Shelley for details on that. There are still six spots, possibly seven. This is a work trip, so folks need to be physically able to participate in the projects. The team will find out from Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) exactly what they will be doing 2-3 weeks before leaving. Please contact Rev. Shelley Wiley, Transitional Pastor of FPC Jackson, for more information: 740-286-1928 or scwiley@aol.com

Rose Run Presbyterian Church in New Albany...

has some extra items they would like to share with other churches: 55 choir robes and 16 bell choir robes, blue hymnals, two antique navy loveseats, Wenger choral risers. Please contact Nancy at mayor43054@gmail.com.

Worthington Presbyterian Church...

is searching for an Executive Administrator. This is a senior level position reporting to the Senior Pastor, head of staff and will provide: Oversight, supervision, and mentoring to the church's administrative and support staff to include personnel management and mission alignment; Supervision for the Administrative Assistant, Membership Clerk, Communications Specialist, Facilities Manager, and Food Ministries Manager; Staff support for the Personnel, Finance, Endowment, Facilities and

Tuesday, March 24
Westside Urban (WUM)
Ministry Team Meeting
5:30 pm

**Wednesday,
March 25**
noon
PSV Hanging Rock Pastors
Lunch and Special Event
Arch and Eddies
Gathering House in
Jackson

Umbrella Found...
at Partners in Education
Event (PIE) at
Worthington PC.
Umbrella is black with
polka-dots. To retrieve,
contact the Presbytery
office 614-847-0565.

A Book of Interest...
"A Bigger Table"

John Pavlovitz invites readers to find or build a church that is big enough for everyone. This book is a down to earth perspective on building a messy, authentic, and hopeful spiritual community. Available at Amazon.com or at the PC(USA) store at www.pcusastore.com.

Columbarium committees. Preferred qualifications include experience in, or knowledge of, church environment including leadership and supervision over multiple functions. Interested candidates may forward a resume to employment@worthingtonpresbyterian.com

Presbyterian Women (PW) in the Presbytery
Winter Gathering, February 22, Fredericktown First PC

About 40 Women from churches around the presbytery gathered on February 22 at the First PC in Fredericktown for the PW Winter Gathering. This Gathering focused on the empowerment of women and girls and Black History Month. After opening devotions remembering the 19th amendment and the business meeting, Beth Kocheiser, keynote speaker, presented a pictorial and story account of her USA Mission Experience to the Fingerlakes region. She visited 17 churches in the Fingerlakes region, all important points of light and hope in the abolitionist and suffragette movements of which Presbyterians have been so much a part. After a lunch with soup and fellowship, there were breakout workshops led by Betty Kennedy and Trevor Martin and Uriel Grimaldo, of the Mid-Ohio Worker's Association. The Mid-Ohio Workers Association (MWA) is a free and voluntary unincorporated association of temporary, service, domestic and other low-paid workers in central Ohio that has joined together with people from all walks of life-- students, clergy, small businesses and others--to build solutions to poverty conditions. Their presentation included a tribute to the work of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Afternoon worship was led by Pastor Christine Burns.

A CALL TO PRAYER...by J. Herbert Nelson, Stated Clerk, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

As the coronavirus has captured the headlines in recent weeks, mis-information, conspiracy theories, and fear of the unknown have raised anxiety and caused widespread apprehension. Financial markets have wobbled and people of Asian descent in this country and around the world have been unfairly targeted. This virus has exposed the vulnerability and fragility of the global community. As we all struggle with the horrific impact of the deadly virus that has infected so many people in China and now in a number of other countries, we cannot but call upon our God for help and healing.

Please join me in crying out for relief from this plague. We pray for healing for those who are infected, in China and in all the places where the virus has spread. We pray for all who already have lost loved ones to the illness and those who will yet suffer such loss. We pray for doctors, nurses and aides providing medical care, for insight in their caring, and for their health and well-being. We pray for wisdom for the medical and scientific experts who are desperately seeking ways to control the spread of the virus. We pray for public officials who must make the hard decisions about the quarantining of those who may have been exposed to the virus; and we pray for all those for whom those decisions feel like unjust imprisonment. We lift up the Christian church in China and our partners throughout the region as they seek to bring Christ's healing presence and peace. We pray for God to keep us alert to the threats posed by such a worldwide crisis, remembering the millions of God's children who live in places where the availability of medical care is meager or nonexistent. May God open our hearts, our financial resources, and our political will, so that the vision of a better future can become a reality for all of God's children. In the Providence of the God who created us, in the Passion of our Savior Jesus Christ who redeems us, and in the Power of the Holy Spirit through whom God's will is done. AMEN.

**The 225th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
To be held in Columbus, Ohio, 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. Please note the date change from the original announcement. For questions, or to sign up to volunteer, email: jeannie@psvonline.org

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

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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