

Presbytery of Scioto Valley (PSV) Mid-Week E-News July 2, 2020

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The Presbytery OF SCIOTO VALLEY

Mission and Vision Statement

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

JULY

A PRAYER FOR OUR WORLD TODAY...

*"I do not know
when we can gather
together again
in worship, Lord.
So, for now
I just ask that:
When I sing
along in my kitchen
to each song
on Stevie Wonder's
Songs in The Key of
Life Album,
that it be counted as
praise.
And that
when I read the news
and my heart tightens
in my chest,
may it be counted
as a Kyrie.
And that when my
eyes brighten
in a smile
behind my mask*

ORDAINED TO SERVE...

With Energy, Intelligence, Imagination and Love

The Rev. Sarah Juist, Pastor of Hanover Presbyterian Church in Newark, Ohio, models the T-shirt she created as a visual reminder of the ordination vows to serve the church with energy, intelligence, imagination and love. This design caught the attention of participants of GA 2020 when the outgoing co-moderators wore them during the proceedings. The response has been overwhelming and these shirts are now available for anyone to order.



Sarah Juist

Here's the link for the t-shirts - they'll be available until further notice. Feel free to share it far and wide! <https://www.bonfire.com/we-are-the-church-part-2/>

Celebrating the July Ordination Anniversaries of The Presbytery of Scioto Valley Pastors...

We thank and honor our Pastors with anniversaries in the month of July and thank them for faithfully serving with energy, intelligence, imagination and love...

Reverend Dan E. Bastin, HR - 7/1/1961

Reverend Rudolph W. Smith, HR - 7/6/1969

Reverend Donald J. Hilkerbaumer, HR - 7/9/1972

Reverend Gary M. Brose - 7/10/1983

Reverend Joseph T. Fields Jr. - 7/10/1994

*as I thank the cashier
may it be counted
as passing the peace.
And that when
I water my plants and
wash my dishes and
take a shower
may it be counted
as remembering
my baptism.
And that when the
tears come
and my shoulders
shake
and my breathing
falters,
may it be counted
as prayer.
And that when I
stumble upon a
Tabitha Brown video
and hear her grace
and love of you
may it be counted
as hearing a homily.
And that as I sit
at that table in my
apartment, and eat
one more homemade
meal, slowly, joyfully,
with nothing else
demanding my time
or attention,
may it be counted
as communion.
Amen."*

-Nadia Bolz-Weber,
Lutheran pastor/author

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Reverend Jennifer Eastman Hinkle - 7/12/2009
Reverend Wayne D. Morrison, HR - 7/12/1987
Reverend Dr. Irvin S. Moxley, HR - 7/13/1959
Reverend Thom M. Shuman - 7/13/1986
Reverend James W. Grove, HR - 7/19/1972
Reverend Katherine D. Kinnison - 7/19/2015
Reverend George D. Alexander, HR - 7/20/1960
Reverend Deb Patterson - 7/20/1997
Reverend Kathryn A. K. Puckett, HR - 7/22/1979
Reverend J. David Worthen, HR - 7/23/1972
Reverend Bethany Fulton - 7/27/2003
Reverend Malcom S. Davis - 7/28/1991
Reverend Robert G. Armstrong, HR - 7/29/1979
Reverend Jane E. Black, HR - 7/29/1984
Reverend T. Scot Braswell - 7/31/2005

"RAISING RACIAL AWARENESS"

A Presbytery-wide Conversation Sponsored by the
Commission on Nurture and Outreach (CNO)

"RAISING RACIAL AWARENESS", a four week presbytery-wide conversation on race, will begin on July 23. Each participant will receive a list of articles, videos, podcasts, etc. (maximum of 20 minutes each) to read, watch or listen to, one for each day. Participants will be invited to an introduction on Zoom on Thursday, July 23 at noon or 7:00 pm. During the conversations, participants will share observations, new learnings, and challenges with other church members and friends from around the presbytery. Email Kathi Bubb, kathibubb@gmail.com for more information and the Zoom link.

MORE INFORMATION ON RACIAL JUSTICE...

PC(USA) offers racial justice resources

Resources are arranged in six categories:

- Statements from the PC(USA)
 - Worship Resources
 - Policy Statements
 - Recommended Books
 - Study, Training and Discussion Materials
 - Articles.
- Click [here](#) to view what's currently offered.

Historic 224th General Assembly of the PC(USA)

Watch for stories and information gleaned from this historic virtual General Assembly by our PSV Commissioners. Many words of gratitude go to our Presbytery Commissioners to this General Assembly: Mark Gauen, PSV Moderator and Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Westerville, Elder Kae Merold, Pastor of the Outville Presbyterian Church, Reverend Sarah Juist, Pastor of the Hanover Presbyterian Church, Elder Kathi Bubb, Gahanna Mifflin Presbyterian Church, and Milo Browne, Westminster Presbyterian Church.

RETURNING TO IN-PERSON WORSHIP...A Continuing Conversation for Congregations, Jeannie Harsh, Executive Presbyter

The Presbytery Coordinating Team continues to strongly recommend that congregations take their time and carefully consider all of the questions, concerns and risks related to re-opening and returning to in-person worship. Re-opening safely is a complicated process, especially since the coronavirus is still a threat, and there is no vaccine. Although some of the smaller congregations are in the process of returning to their large sanctuaries, many of our congregations are not considering returning to their sanctuaries before Labor Day, and some are planning to continue virtual worship throughout 2020. The PC(USA) website continues to offer many resources and helpful guidance in this important conversation and the process of discernment and decision-making about when is the safest time to return to our sanctuaries.

https://www.pcusa.org/site_media/media/uploads/covid-19/returning_to_public_worship_may_2020.pdf

PASTORS OF PSV WEEKLY CHAT MEETING ON ZOOM

Reverend Ann Melick, Presbytery Commission for Church Professionals

Join our online chats on Thursdays to give and receive encouragement and practical advice during this unusual and changing time of ministry. To join this gathering of our pastors at 1 pm each Thursday. To join: <https://zoom.us/j/588789104?pwd=cDBEUm8yYnNIS0RUK3dwZG5KVFMvZz09>

Meeting ID: 588 789 104, Password: 463317, One tap mobile+13126266799,588789104#

Plain City Presbyterian Church is Looking for a Pianist...

Plain City Presbyterian Church is looking for a temporary pianist to provide music for Sunday a.m. worship service beginning in September. If interested, please contact Rev. Alice Phillips at revalp@neo.rr.com

You Are Invited to the Virtual New Wilmington Mission Conference July 17-19, 2020... Reverend Ginny Teitt, Conference Director and Pastor, Delaware Concord PC

The New Wilmington Missionary (now Mission) Conference, the oldest and sole-surviving mission conference, after meeting for 115 years meeting in the quaint town of New Wilmington, Pennsylvania, on the campus of Westminster College, will be held virtually. This year's Conference will not be held in the lakeside amphitheater with sawdust covered floors, adorned by flags of countries around the globe. In the months since the COVID-19 pandemic that has changed the way that we do church and limited gatherings

in-person, the NWMC Board of Managers and volunteer leaders have been praying, planning and preparing for something those young, dedicated founding visionaries never could have imagined. We have been inspired as we discern how to present a virtual, interactive global mission conference. I invite you to join the upcoming free virtual New Wilmington Mission Conference 2020 July 17 to 19 from the comfort of your own homes to hear words of encouragement, learn of mission opportunities, and listen to updates from co-workers and global partners located in places around the world. Learn more at nwncomissions.org. In a time of unprecedented uncertainty, in the midst of a global pandemic that has reached every country and culture, this one thing is certain; we need to be the church together! **Register here today:**

<http://nwmcmision.org/nwmc-2020/register-for-the-virtual-conference>

Westerville Central College Presbyterian Church invites you and your child(ren) to experience our Everest *Virtual* VBS program this year!

<https://vbspro.events/p/events/935589>

It is open to all! Our Virtual VBS program will start on July 14th and be released a day at a time for 5 days. Our program is totally FREE. The beauty of doing this virtually is that it will remain up on Right Now Media for 30 days. Therefore, you and your child(ren) can participate each day as the recordings are posted or go at your own pace. To register, you will need to go to our church website, www.ccpc.us and click on the Everest VBS banner. That will take you to the registration

page. Once you are registered, you will receive an email from our VBS team on how to sign in through RightNow Media. We will have free VBS home kits for the first 200 children. As an added bonus, by signing up through RightNow Media, you will also have access to over 22,000 Biblically based videos that you can take advantage of for as long as you like! Join us at Central College PC as we *Conquer Challenges with God's Mighty Power!*



DISMANTLING STRUCTURAL RACISM, Conversations on Racism and Advocacy, July 9, 2020

We are inviting all members of our presbytery to join in conversation with The Reverend Jimmie Hawkins, Director of the PC(USA) Office of Public Witness, for a conversation on how we do advocacy in the midst of COVID 19 and how we can continue to do the Lord's ministry in this new reality on Thursday, July 9 from 12 pm-1:30 pm. To join in this conversation, use this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86736218336?pwd=Ry83VVZPTWk0NSszQlY0ZnN5V1BQZz09>. Meeting ID: 867 3621 8336, Password: 975763

RESOURCES for SCIOTO VALLEY CONGREGATIONS

PSV Resource Website...The Presbytery leaders created a website, www.psvresources.org, which contains timely information, creative ideas and resources gathered by your presbytery leaders. You can also reach this website from our Presbytery website. These continually updated materials and resources are designed to provide information and resources for all areas of your church life and ministries, especially during this pandemic time.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL RESOURCES AND IDEAS...

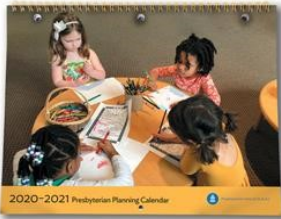
As we move into summer, here is a helpful piece on VBS:

<https://hope4ce.net/2020/05/06/is-vbs-to-be-part-of-your-re-entry/>

Technology Support Grants for Congregations... The Presbytery Commission for Congregational Life (CCL) has allocated funding for up to \$500 reimbursement grants to any church in the Presbytery for purchased materials that assist pastors and congregations in reaching out to members through technology during the COVID-19 Crisis. Items can be purchased anytime between March 8 and August 31, 2020. You can send receipts to the Presbytery Office or email to dagmar@psvonline.org with a description of why you purchased the items. If you have questions, email Adam Anderson, chair of Congregational Life: pastor@oldstone.org.

Board of Pensions offers dues relief and deferments to churches and employers. The PCUSA Board of Pensions is extending dues relief and other assistance to churches and employers as we move through the COVID-19 crisis. Any church or employer experiencing economic hardship is encouraged to contact the Board. For further information, visit: pensions.org.

Presbyterian Planning Calendars for 2020-2021



This 16-month calendar will start with September 2020 and end with December 2021. It contains many planning aids for pastors and other church leaders. This popular calendar includes lectionary for Sundays and special days, liturgical days, liturgical colors, resource information for PC(USA) programmatic emphases, updated synod, presbytery and Presbyterian Mission Agency staff directories, a color foldout synod/presbytery and world maps. The cost is \$10 each. You may place your order anytime. Email: dagmar@psvonline.org. The calendars should arrive by mid-summer. You will be contacted to arrange for a scheduled pick-up.

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

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

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. Watch for more information!!!

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