

Mid-week E-News May 27, 2021

The Presbytery OF SCIOTO VALLEY

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

February 18, 2020

The Presbytery of Scioto Valley includes 88 churches with a membership of 13,520 (updated March 23, 2021). Surrounding the metropolitan center of Columbus, Ohio, the Presbytery extends northward to Marion, east to Newark, west to London and southward to the Ohio River. The southern portion of the presbytery is distinguished by an Appalachian culture, where there are many small towns and much rugged open country. Scioto Valley Presbytery is represented in 21 Counties: Athens, Delaware, Fairfield, Fayette, Franklin, Gallia, Hocking, Jackson, Knox, Lawrence, Licking, Madison, Marion, Meigs, Morrow, Pickaway, Pike, Ross, Scioto, Union, and Vinton.

[Visit our website](#)



Prayer for the Sunday before Memorial Day

Lord God, for what on this day do we pray?
You know us better than we know ourselves.
You know the secret longings of our hearts.
You know our thoughts before we think them.
You know our prayers in their unspoken honesty, and you know them
in their stated ritual.

Hear us, then, and you, your Holy Spirit, help us give honorable form to all our prayers:
those spoken and those known only to you. Amen.

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Presbytery of Scioto Valley (PSV) Calendar

Thursday, May 27

10 a.m. PSV Certified Ruling Elder (CRE) Task Team Zoom Meeting

Monday, May 31 - Memorial Day

Presbytery Office Closed

Saturday, June 5

10-11:30 am

Matthew 25 Zoom workshop

"Extraordinary Time: Coming Out of COVID with Vitality".

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ1pf-6qrjMjHtCpjq0BemssRiZqxU4Bqp6w>

Monday, June 7

12:30 p.m. Commission for Church Professionals Zoom Meeting
3:00 p.m. Commission for Congregational Life Zoom Meeting

Tuesday, June 8

1:00 -2:00 p.m. Transitional Pastors Zoom Meeting

Monday, June 14

3:00 p.m. Commission for Presbytery Operations Zoom Meeting

Tuesday, June 15

10:00 a.m. Older Adult Ministry Team Zoom Meeting

Thursday, June 17

10:00 a.m. Certified Ruling Elder Task Team meeting on Zoom

7:00 - 8:00 p.m. **Youth Ideas Exchange on Zoom**

Register in advance for this meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYkcOupqDwuGtw7dioMXIIM_yZIgYS_cTCKY

Tuesday, June 29

1:00 p.m. Commission for Nurture and Outreach

2021 PRESBYTERY STATED MEETING DATES...

September 21, and November 16

Presbytery meetings will be held via Zoom until in-person meeting is deemed safe.

Your Presbytery staff persons, are available. Do not hesitate to email or call.

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Presbytery Office: 614-847-0565.

PSV Pastors' Informal Gatherings this Summer...

Watch for the dates for PSV pastors to gather in June, July and August. These informal gatherings will include Fireside Chats at the Clintonville Rusty Bucket, Hanging Rock area Lunches in Jackson, and an afternoon gathering at an outdoor shelter in the Delaware area.

Matthew 25 Zoom workshop Saturday, June 5, 10-11:30 a.m.

"Extraordinary Time: Coming Out of COVID with Vitality".

The Rev. Carlton Johnson, Associate Director for Vital Congregations will be the speaker. We will reflect on our call to follow Christ at this moment in time. As our churches go back to in-person worship and we find ourselves doing more than "going back to normal" we face an opportunity to follow God in amazing adventures. Come help us explore the astonishing truth that "perhaps we were made for a time such as this." (Esther 4:14)

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZIpF-6qrjMjHtCpiq0BemssRjZqxU4Bqp6w>



PSV Commission for Nurture and Outreach...

We did it! We have reached over 100 subscribers to our new PSV YouTube channel

- www.youtube.com/sciotovalleypresbytery.

You can watch recorded programs, including:

- "Understanding How Historical and Structural; Racism Have Shaped Central Ohio - Neighborhoods Today" with Michaelo Wilkos from United Way
- Summer Idea Exchange with educators in our presbytery
- Global Mission Engagement 101, session 1-4
- Interview with Sportscaster James Brown on racism
- Presbyterian Women Spring Gathering and more!!

PSV Global Mission Engagement 101 Program Events Gathered over 80 persons from at least 18 PSV Congregations!

Thanks to the hard-working leaders in the PSV Commission for Nurture and Outreach and the PSV Global Mission Network for these excellent conversations with mission workers and leaders near and far! All five sessions were planned and coordinated on Zoom by the Reverend Dr. Cynthia Holder Rich, a minister member of the Presbytery of Scioto Valley serving in Tanzania.

Looking for Curriculum for Youth Ideas Exchanges?

The Commission on Nurture and Outreach (CNO) is pleased to offer:

Youth Idea Exchange: Sharing ideas about resources and programming for grades 6 - 12

Thursday, June 17 from 7:00 - 8:00 pm, Register in advance for this meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYkcOupqDwuGtw7dioMXIIM_yZigYS_cTCKY

Questions? Contact Kathi Bubb, chair of CNO at kathibubb@gmail.com

Scioto Valley Presbytery is a Matthew 25 Presbytery!

Matthew 25 is a PC(USA) initiative that has three focuses -

Building Congregational Vitality, Dismantling Structural Racism and **Eradicating Systemic Poverty**. For more information, go to the PC(USA) website www.pcusa.org.

CNO (PSV Commission for Nurture and Outreach) has appointed Matthew 25 Ambassadors who can speak to your Mission/Outreach/Service Committees and/or Sessions to explain more about Matthew 25. Check out pcusa.org/matthew25

Presbytery of Scioto Valley Congregations Lifted Up in Prayer

The Commission for Congregational Life is committed to helping congregations promote and nurture healthy, faith-filled relationships and ministries in their congregations and communities. Our weekly Email news is highlighting our 88 congregations, celebrating their beginnings, histories, stories and ministries. We hope you and your congregation will join in celebrating our congregations and holding them in your prayers.

Harrisonville Presbyterian Church

In July 1893, persons gathered and cut logs



Hilliard Presbyterian Church

The Hilliard Presbyterian Church, often called "the church with a heart"



from their farms to build a new church. Stone was cut and dressed for foundation and steps, hauled to the location by oxen. The Church was dedicated September 24, 1894, debt free.

The union of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and the Presbyterian Church was realized on April 24, 1906.

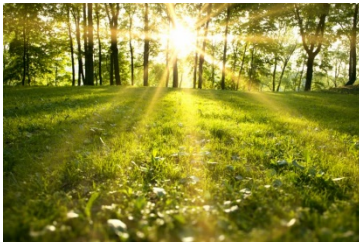
In 1971 the United Presbyterian Ministry in Meigs County, "The Meigs Ministry", was organized to carry on the work of the United Presbyterian Ministry in Meigs County: Harrisonville, Middleport and Syracuse.

Harrisonville Presbyterian Church with its faithful members continues to serve the needs of the surrounding community. The Reverend David Faulkner is the pastor of this faithful small membership church.

captures the essence of the mission of the Hilliard Presbyterian Church. Since its 1960 incorporation as a mission church of the former Columbus Presbytery, the church has grown in fellowship, mission, worship, and study.

The original building was dedicated in 1962. In 1987, the addition of a new education and fellowship wing was dedicated. In 2009 a large sanctuary was built and dedicated. This church is known for a strong mission program and faithful outreach to the Hilliard community. The church currently shares its facility with the Cristo Rey Church family.

Hilliard Presbyterian Church is in a time of transition as they begin a search for a new pastor to lead them into the future God has planned for this faithful congregation in a lively and growing metropolitan area.



Kirkmont Presbyterian Camp and Conference Center in Zanesfield, Ohio is hiring camp counselors. Recent high school graduates or college-age youth who would like a summer job that pays, provides meals and lodging plus opportunities to be in community, please contact Sara Metzler (937)543-2141, or email: sarametzler.kirkmontcenter@gmail.com

Join the Presbyterian Communicators Network for this informative workshop focusing on livestreaming your church service.

Tuesday, June 1, 2 p.m. EDT

Registration is now open for this on-line Communications Workshop

What do you want your community to know about your church? Now, more than ever, church leaders need to be in touch with their congregations and their communities. Join the Presbyterian Communicators Network for this informative workshop focusing on livestreaming your church service. After more than a year of many church buildings being closed, congregations are beginning to re-enter their places of worship. However, one thing the pandemic has taught us is that we must do church differently. This workshop will share tips, tools and techniques to help you up your game of livestreaming or help you venture into the world of livestreaming.

You don't have to have a huge budget or a large staff to effectively tell the story of your work inside and outside the church walls. The workshop will share a variety of resources that are available at little or no cost. Register now for this online workshop, conducted by communications professionals on the Presbyterian Mission Agency staff. **[Register now →](#)**



The conference will begin on Monday, September 13th at 2 PM Eastern and will conclude on Wednesday September 15th at 12:30 PM Eastern. For a detailed look at the schedule, please click [here](#).

Stewardship Kaleidoscope is an annual conference offering excellent plenary speakers, informative workshop leaders, provocative worship experiences, and incredible networking opportunities for all who are passionate about stewardship and generosity. Drawing leaders from across the Presbyterian Church (PCUSA) and other ecumenical partners, Stewardship Kaleidoscope is designed to help participants explore stewardship, in its many colorful dimensions!

Our mission is to create an annual event that:

- Ignites generosity.
- Gives practical tools for cultivating generosity in congregations.
- Expands the leadership capacity of those who lead stewardship initiatives.
- Cultivates adaptive approaches for funding Christ's mission.

Venues vary annually, and you can count on Stewardship Kaleidoscope to provide Real Tools for Real Ministry! <https://stewardshipkaleidoscope.org/conference>

PC(USA) Curriculum News...

New FOLLOW ME Curriculum from the PC(USA) - [Follow Me : PC USA Store](#)

Sunday School Curriculum Overview - [Sunday-School-Curriculum-Overview-booklet-revised-April-2021-2.pdf \(prcli.org\)](#)

Presbyterian Older Adult Ministries Network (POAMN) News...

The Presbyterian Older Adult Ministries Network provides many resources including the *POAMN's Tour Guide for Celebrating Longevity*. This publication is filled with a variety of program ideas and articles shared by POAMN members. It also includes model worship services to consider using when planning worship that celebrates older adults. The 2021 guide is now on the POAMN website and be downloaded at www.poamn.org under the "Resource" tab, where you will also find copies from past years.

PASTORS OF PSV WEEKLY CHAT MEETING ON ZOOM. 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.

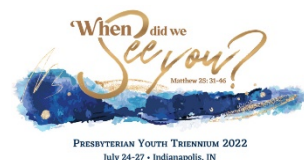
To join: <https://zoom.us/j/588789104?pwd=cDBEUm8yYnNIS0RUK3dwZG5KVFMvZz09>

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

Changes are coming to Triennium, a life-changing event for thousands of Presbyterian youth and young adults...

A new venue and new way of being in small groups are designed to enhance the beloved event, which takes on a Matthew 25 focus by Mike Ferguson | *Presbyterian News Service*

LOUISVILLE — The 2022 version of Presbyterian Youth Triennium will feature **a Matthew 25 framework**, activities that will extend a full year following Triennium and enough innovation to send thousands of high schoolers and young adults scurrying to register — once registration goes live this winter. Among other



changes, organizers are moving the popular every-three-years event, set for July 24-27, 2022, from the campus of Purdue University, which has hosted Triennium since 1983, to a place where everyone involved can enjoy around-the-clock air conditioning: the **Indiana Convention Center** in Indianapolis, as well as at least eight nearby hotels, most of them connected to the convention center by pedestrian walkways. All attendees will enjoy their meals together in a large assembly hall at the convention center. Meals together will also include Bible study, games — and one of PYT's signature components, music. For more information visit:

<https://www.presbyterianmission.org/story/changes-are-coming-to-triennium-a-life-changing-event-for-thousands-of-presbyterian-youth-and-young-adults>



Committee on the Office of the General Assembly (COGA) approves docket for the 225th General Assembly, between June 18-July 9, 2022

Members ponder what's in store for future Assembly gatherings

Rick Jones | Office of the General Assembly - April 16, 2021

Read more: [https://www.pcusa.org/news/2021/4/16/coga-](https://www.pcusa.org/news/2021/4/16/coga-approves-docket-225th-general-assembly)

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