

Mid-week E-News June 10, 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.

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A Prayer for Summertime

God, you send us scorching days to remind us of the heat of your passion for justice, you send us summer showers to bring for the sweet corn and plump tomatoes to nourish us, you send us rolling thunderstorms and lightning displays to remind us of your majesty and wonder, you send us kittens who stalk sunbeams, and dogs who wake us early for walks, and we give you thanks. Amen.(c) 2021 Thom M. Shuman

Presbytery of Scioto Valley (PSV) Calendar

Monday, June 14

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

Thursday, June 17

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

Register in advance for this meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYkcOupqDwuGtw7dioMXIIM_yZIgYSCTCKY

Tuesday, June 29

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

2021 PRESBYTERY STATED MEETING DATES...

September 21, and November 16

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

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

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Presbytery of Scioto Valley Prayers for our Congregations.

Each week the Email news has been highlighting our congregations and celebrating their beginnings, histories, stories and ministries. During the summer you are encouraged to especially hold all of our congregations in prayer as we carefully begin to return to in-person worship and gatherings. We will resume highlighting come August.

Looking for Curriculum for Youth Ideas Exchanges via Zoom?

Thursday, June 17, from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

The Commission on Nurture and Outreach (CNO) is pleased to offer: **Youth Idea Exchange:** Sharing ideas about resources and programming for grades 6 - 12

We will share ideas with one another about what is working - and not working - in our churches PLUS learn about great resources (many of them are FREE!!)



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

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYkcOupqDwuGtw7dioMXIIM_vZIqYSCTCKY

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

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 \(prcli.org\)](#)

Summer Gatherings this for PSV Pastors

Rusty Bucket in Clintonville: The Presbytery Commission for Church Professionals is inviting pastors to join in the popular Fireside Chats on the third Thursdays of June, July and August. These gatherings are scheduled for June 17, July 15, and August 19, 3-5 pm, and will be held at the Clintonville Rusty Bucket, 4109 N. High Street, in Columbus. The gatherings are designed to offer an opportunity for informal conversation and refreshments with pastoral colleagues in the Presbytery.

Afternoon Tea and Refreshments at the West Berlin Presbyterian Church Picnic Pavilion in Delaware County:

Pastors are invited to gather in the church's delightful outdoor picnic area for an afternoon tea and fellowship on July 1, 3-5 pm. This gathering is

graciously being hosted by the West Berlin Presbyterian Church pastor and members. The church is located at 2911 Berlin Station Road, Delaware.



Certified Ruling Elder (CRE) Presbytery of Scioto Valley Training Program Looking for Ministry Candidates...

Have you recognized an elder in your congregation, who has exhibited signs of a call to ministry? Perhaps that elder has expressed a desire to serve the Lord in new leadership roles, or maybe serve as a commissioned pastor? The Presbytery of Scioto Valley is in need of good pastoral leadership to serve in our small membership congregations. The presbytery offers a certified ruling elder training program designed to accommodate any schedule. If you have interest, or you think

someone in your congregation might be interested in the training to serve as a commissioned pastor, please contact Kae Merold, moderator of the Presbytery's Certified Ruling Elder Task Team, pastorkae@rroho.com.

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!

The Commission on Nurture and Outreach was pleased to host The Rev. Carlton Johnson, Associate Director for Vital Congregations, via zoom last Saturday to hear about how the Vital Congregations program of the PC(USA) can help our congregations come out of COVID with new energy and purpose. The presentation can be viewed on our YouTube page - www.youtube.com/sciotovalleypresbytery, under Matthew 25.

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

Synod of the Covenant webinar shares wisdom on the challenges of preaching about race by Mike Ferguson | Presbyterian News Service.

LOUISVILLE — A mostly white group of more than 40 preachers tuned in Wednesday to hear the Rev. Dr. Chip Hardwick — who in turn did his share of listening during an informative 90-minute online session he hosted — lead a webinar with this provocative title: "Preaching about Racial Justice without Losing your Conviction or your Job." View the webinar [here](#).

Hardwick, interim executive with the **Synod of the Covenant**, first prayed and then opened the workshop by offering preachers this assurance: We can never preach a sermon bad enough to prevent God from speaking. Then he laid out some of his assumptions:

Read more: <https://www.presbyterianmission.org/story/love-logic/>



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:

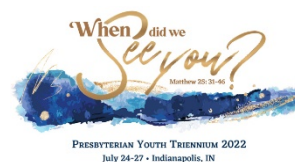
- Ignites generosity.
- Gives practical tools for cultivating generosity in congregations.
- Expands the leadership capacity of those who lead stewardship initiatives.
- Cultivates adaptive approaches for funding Christ's mission.

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

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

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>



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#

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.

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) - Coronavirus/COVID-19 Resource Center

Worship, Pastoral & Governance Resources. Reopening after the pandemic.

Coronavirus/COVID-19 Resource Center

Updated June 1, 2021, 3:05 p.m. ET

All resources are from PC(USA) agencies unless otherwise noted. Newly added resources are marked with a red dot (●).

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225th General Assembly (2022)

June 18 - July 9, 2022

Hybrid - Committee sessions in Louisville, KY.
Plenary sessions online. For more information visit:

<https://oga.pcusa.org/section/qa/qa/>

Presbyterian Historical Society <http://www.history.pcusa.org/>



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