

Mid-week E-News May 12, 2022

# The Presbytery OF SCIOTO VALLEY

*"Inspire, Strengthen, And Challenge Congregations For Christ's Mission."* 2-18, 2020

I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord,  
to give you a future with Hope. Jeremiah



## The Presbytery of Scioto Valley 262nd Stated Meeting Sunday, May 15, 2022, 3:30 p.m. via Zoom

Your Zoom Link Invitation will be coming to you  
via Constant Contact. In case you did not receive your invitation  
contact Dagmar at [dagmar@psvonline.org](mailto:dagmar@psvonline.org)

Please note that the meeting will open at 3:00 p.m. to allow commissioners to be checked-in in an orderly fashion. The chat window will be allowed for all participants, both for general conversation and person-to-person communication, until 3:55 pm for the purposes of greeting one another and informal conversation.

Ruling Elders, Teaching Elders, Commissioned Ruling Elders and Christian Educators are invited to participate in the important work of the church in this different forum. All important matters we are faced with will be addressed.



### WHAT IS THE SELF-DEVELOPMENT of PEOPLE COMMUNITY GRANT?

The Self-Development of People (SDOP) program of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) provides small "start-up" grants to informal community groups of seven or more members. Grants may range up to \$2000. SDOP grants are designed grant to informal community group of seven or more for groups whose members are financially underserved and function as self-governing units seeking to improve their own well-being and empowerment.

[LETTER AND GRANT APPLICATION](#)

## **Presbytery Anti-Racism Book Study and Conversation.**

It's not too late to join the **Presbytery Anti-Racism Book Study and Conversation**. We will meet on Zoom for **three Thursdays in May, the 12th, 19th, and 26th** from 1:00 - 2:00 pm.

**If you would like to meet during an evening, please contact Kathi Bubb at [kathibubb@gmail.com](mailto:kathibubb@gmail.com) to see if there is interest for a second group.**

This Conversation is sponsored by the Commission on Nurture and Outreach. We are reading *Wait - Is This Racist? A Guide to Becoming an Anti-racist Church* by Kerry Connelly, Bryana Clover, and Josh Riddick. The book guides church leaders and staff through an examination of all aspects of church life, including leadership, preaching and liturgy, music, small groups, buildings, and grounds. This program will help churches create an action plan that will take them toward not only becoming anti-racist but also actually *doing* anti-racist work and becoming a justice-oriented organization that leans more fully into the kin-dom of God. You are responsible for getting your own book. We will read the Introduction and Chapter 1 for May 12.

**Register in advance for this meeting:**

**[https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMof-uhqzqgGtwnBHp\\_WLEgv4vkwMukB5hk](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMof-uhqzqgGtwnBHp_WLEgv4vkwMukB5hk)**



The Synod of the Covenant  
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

## **Higher Education for Christian Leaders Scholarships!!!**

### **Applications for Higher Education for**

**Christian Leaders Scholarships are due May 15, 2022.** Information and applications are now available for students pursuing vocational, associates, undergraduate, or first masters degree (in theology). Candidates have the opportunity to discuss their work to strengthen congregational vitality, dismantle structural racism, and/or eradicate systemic poverty. Completed applications are due on May 15, 2022.

Learn more and apply at <https://synodofthecovenant.org/2022-higher-education-scholarship-application/>.

Questions? Contact Betty Angelini at [bettyangelini@fpcwarren.org](mailto:bettyangelini@fpcwarren.org) or Lisa Allgood at [lisa@cpresby.org](mailto:lisa@cpresby.org).



## **FIRESIDE CHATS FOR PASTORS...May 19**

Scioto Valley Church Professionals are invited to come and join in conversation, fellowship and complimentary appetizers with your colleagues. Mark your Calendars for our Presbytery's Fireside Chats on the 3rd Thursday of the month at the Rusty Bucket, High Street, Clintonville, 3-5 pm on May 19, June 16, July 21, and August 18.

**Fall Curriculum Conversation** - Is your church looking for ideas on curriculum for this fall for children, youth, and/or adults for Sunday School, youth group, mid-week studies, and more? **Join us on Thursday, May 19 from 7:00 - 8:30 pm on zoom.** We will focus on curriculum available from the PC(USA), but will share other resources as well. Register here [https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0uf-CorT8iGNS4DhnILvghxFJhKQ\\_oFWIz](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0uf-CorT8iGNS4DhnILvghxFJhKQ_oFWIz)

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**UPDATE: Called to be Easter People - A Matthew 25 Challenge.**

We are excited at the number of churches who are responding to our "We Are Easter People Challenge". The goal of the challenge is for Scioto Valley congregations to jointly log 2022 hours of Matthew 25-related mission service during the seven week-period between Easter and Pentecost. From Crestview PC helping with meals at House for Hope, to Mifflin PC cooking and serving lunch at Open Shelter, to the Presbyterian Women filing backpacks with hygiene supplies and delivering them to the Perry Multi-County Juvenile Detention Center, we are reaching out!

The only requirement is that the hours of service be undertaken by a congregation (not by individuals within a congregation) and directed to our brothers and sisters Christ called "the least of these: those who hunger, those who thirst, those who are sick, those who are strangers, those who are imprisoned, those who are naked."

Your congregation is encouraged to send weekly updates to the presbytery office at [dagmar@psvonline.org](mailto:dagmar@psvonline.org). Please include your church name, the project, how many total hours, a contact person, and an email.

**Save the Date!** Saturday, June 25, 2022, 10 a.m.- 12 noon  
**Free Workshop on Preaching!!!** by Dr. M. Craig Barnes, President of Princeton Theological Seminary Worthington Presbyterian Church, 773 High Street, Worthington, OH 43085.

**Pentecost Offerings April 19-June 5, 2022.** The Pentecost Offering unites us in a church-wide effort to support young people and inspire them to share their faith, ideas, and unique gifts with the church and the world. Congregations keep 40% of raised funds to initiate or support programs for young people in their communities.



The remaining 60% is remitted to the Presbyterian Mission Agency.

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[\*\*READ MORE\*\*](#)

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Presbytery of Scioto Valley YouTube  
channel [www.youtube.com/sciotovalleypresbytery](https://www.youtube.com/sciotovalleypresbytery).

## 2022 Presbytery Meeting Calendar

The Presbytery Conference Room is now available for hybrid meetings. Contact Dagmar in the Presbytery Office to schedule your meeting on Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

### MAY

- 15, Sunday, 3:00 p.m. Presbytery Meeting via Zoom.
- 17, 10:00 a.m. Older Adult Ministry Task Team Zoom Meeting.
- 19, 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Fireside Chats For Pastors at the Clintonville Rusty Bucket on Third Thursdays, May-August
- 23, 6:30 p.m. Cap City Helping Hands (formerly WUM).
- 26, 1:00 p.m. Commission for Nurture and Outreach (CNO) Meeting.
- 30, Memorial Day - Presbytery Office Closed.

### 2022 Presbytery Meeting Dates, Tuesdays and Sundays

Sunday, May 15; Tuesday, September 20; Sunday, November 20.

All meetings begin at 3:30 p.m.

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**Your Presbytery staff are available in the Presbytery Office, or by email or phone. Presbytery Office Hours, Monday-Thursday, 9 am - 4 pm.**

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## JOB OPENINGS IN THE AREA

### Mifflin Presbyterian Church Staff Openings

#### **Full Time Director of Christian Education and Youth Ministry**

The description and application details are available  
at: [www.mifflinpres.org/jobs](http://www.mifflinpres.org/jobs)

#### **Organist and Accompanist**

A job description can be found at [www.mifflinpres.org](http://www.mifflinpres.org). Applications will be received until May 15, and inquiries can be directed to the Music Director, Kate Cremean, [k8.cremean@gmail.com](mailto:k8.cremean@gmail.com).

**Friendship Village of Dublin** is looking for a **Chaplain and Spiritual Care Coordinator**. The Chaplain and Spiritual Care Coordinator plans, coordinates

and directs the programs relating to spirituality and religion within the Community and is responsible for providing spiritual support to residents, family members of residents, and staff. For the full job description visit:

<https://www.fvdublin.org/about-us/employment/>

**St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Pickerington, Ohio**, a mission focused community of faith is seeking a part time Parish Administrator to support the work of the priest, musician, and the laity in living out their call to be the hands and feet of Jesus. Helpful gifts to have include a heart for ministry, a spirit of teamwork and flexibility. This part time position is 10 hours per week. Tuesday and Thursday 9am to 2pm. Interested applicants please send a cover letter, resume and contact information to: Reverend Sally Cook at [pastorsally@standrewspickerington.org](mailto:pastorsally@standrewspickerington.org). St Andrew's Episcopal Church, 8630 Refugee Road, Pickerington, Ohio 43147 or call 614 626- 2720.

**Coordinating Team, Purpose:** To organize the life of the Presbytery, and to hold the Presbytery accountable to its mission and vision by coordinating all presbytery strategic and long-range planning activities, presbytery meeting agendas, staffing, and budget creation.

**From your Presbytery's Coordinating Team, Convener, Jim Wilson**  
**2022 Presbytery Meeting Dates :** Sunday, May 15; Tuesday, September 20; Sunday, November 20. All meetings are scheduled at 3:30 p.m. Read more:  
<https://psvonline.org/publication/2022-presbytery-meeting-dates-conversation/>

**Commission for Congregational Life (CCL). Purpose:** To promote and nurture healthy, faith-filled relationships within and among congregations and the presbytery through facilitation, communication, and coordination.



The Presbytery of Scioto Valley includes 86 churches with a membership of 12,996 (updated March 9, 2022). 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.

### **May Prayer List for Scioto Valley Congregations**

Each Month we lift up in prayer some of our congregations and their pastors. During the year we hope to pray for every one of our congregations and their pastoral leaders.

*This month we lift up in prayer the following congregations and leaders:*

Columbus Korean Presbyterian Church, Pastor Joon Won Lee

Oak Hill Sardis Presbyterian Church, Vacant

Columbus Old First Presbyterian Church, Vacant

Ostrander Presbyterian Church, Vacant

Columbus Overbrook Presbyterian Church, Pastors Bill Gause and Mary Gause

Pataskala First Presbyterian Church, Pastor Janet Hufford

Columbus Ramseyer Presbyterian Church, Pastor Justice A. Ofosuhen  
Pataskala Jersey Presbyterian Church, Pastor Dallas Dryburgh  
Pataskala Outville Presbyterian Church, CRE Kae Merold  
Columbus St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, Pastor Jon Carlisle

**Commission for Church Professionals (CCP) Events. Purpose:** CCP works to foster the faith and vitality of those who are called to professional ministry—pastors, associate pastors, designated pastors, interim pastors, honorably retired teaching elders, stated supply, temporary supply, teaching elders in specialized ministry, inquirers, candidates, commissioned ruling elders, certified Christian educators, and ministers at-large.

### **Annual Church Professionals' Retreat**

This year's retreat, which is designed for pastors and church educators, will be held on November 13-15, 2022, at the Deer Creek State Park Lodge.

Visit <https://psvonline.org/events/annual-church-professional-retreat/>

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### **Presented by Healthy Congregations, Inc.**

Monday, May 23, 2022; 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Online via Zoom

**Keynote Speaker: Dr. Walter H. Smith Jr. a.m. The Role of Social Adaptation on Human Functioning, p.m. Leadership, Vision and Managing Relationship Polarization**

### **Stepping Back: Engaging New Horizons Workshop Offerings (4)**

Monday, May 23, 2022 10 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Online via Zoom

- 1) A Practical Approach to Polarizing Forces, Ronald Richardson
- 2) Grief and Resilience: A Family Systems Perspective, Fulgence Nyengele
- 3) Where Am I? What's the Next Faithful Step?, Dana Runestad
- 4) Anxiety - The Gift Nobody Wants and Everyone Needs, Emlyn Ott

To view more information and to register

visit: [www.healthycongregations.com/may-event-2022](http://www.healthycongregations.com/may-event-2022)

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### **Ohio Princeton Seminary Alumni Gatherings - May 26th and June 2nd**

*- Free food and Fun! Two events that are especially designed for the Ohio Princeton Seminary Alumni!*

**The first event will take place in Columbus on Thursday, May 26th from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Rusty Bucket in Clintonville, 4109 N. High St. Columbus, Ohio 43214. <https://www.myrustybucket.com/locations>**

**The second event will take place in Cincinnati on Thursday June 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. at Artemis Mediterranean Bistro 7791 Cooper Rd. Cincinnati, Ohio (right off Ronald Reagan Highway)**

**[Artemis Mediterranean Bistro \(artemisbistro.com\)](http://artemisbistro.com)**

**Please RSVP to [Karen.Behm@cchmc.org](mailto:Karen.Behm@cchmc.org) for either event by May 23<sup>rd</sup>.**

***Commission for Nurture and Outreach (CNO) News, Updates and Upcoming Events.***

**Purpose:** To provide and nurture educational, connectional, and outreach opportunities, which promote growth in discipleship, encourage congregational mission partnerships, and support special areas of ministry, such as peacemaking, youth and campus ministry.

**Matthew 25 is alive and well in our Scioto Valley Presbytery!**

This PC(USA) Initiative encourages congregations to focus on building congregational vitality, dismantling structural racism, and eradicating systemic poverty. For more opportunities check out the complete list here:

<https://psvonline.org/publication/matthew-25-is-alive-and-well-in-our-presbytery/>

**New confirmation curriculum for Matthew 25 churches.**

**Confirmation for the Matthew 25 Congregation: Commissioned to Change the World.**

<https://pres-outlook.org/2022/02/matthew-25-congregation-confirmation/>

**Mission Work Trip Opportunities for our Presbytery in 2022...**

This year our Presbytery will offer two mission locations in West Virginia for Presbytery mission work teams the week of October 23-29. We will be working with the West Virginia Mission Advocacy Workcamps (WVMAW ) at locations in Colcord, West Virginia and Hampden, West Virginia. Applications will be available soon. Email Jeannie Harsh if you are interested in putting your name on the mission work team list.

**Commission for Presbytery Operations (CPO) Purpose:** To provide organizational support to the daily operation of the Presbytery, to hold the Presbytery accountable to its members, and to comply with all state-mandated not-for-profit organizational requirements.

***On the Road to the 225th General Assembly, June 18 - July 9, 2022***

As the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) approaches another historic General Assembly, church leaders are making sure that all voices are heard across the denomination. The theme for this GA is "From Lament to Hope".

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