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PRESBYTERY *of* SCIOTO VALLEY

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PRESBYTERY OF SCIOTO VALLEY PURPOSE STATEMENT

As a body of Christ, the Presbytery of Scioto Valley is a trusted and responsive spiritual community building connection and creating vitality across all and within each of our diverse congregations. (11/28/2023)

[Read more about the One Great Hour of Sharing \(OGHS\)](#)



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING
SPECIAL OFFERINGS
HUNGER • DISASTER • DEVELOPMENT

February 14 - March 14, 2024



SPENCER LAJOYE IN LIVE CONCERT (Free Admission)

Friday, February 9, 2024, 7 p.m.

New Albany Rose Run Presbyterian Church
5220 Johnstown Road, New Albany, OH 43054

Saturday, February 10, 2024, 7 p.m.

Columbus Covenant Presbyterian Church
2070 Ridgecliff Road, Columbus, 43221

A SPECIAL LOVE OFFERING WILL BE TAKEN FOR the [KALEIDOSCOPE YOUTH CENTER](#).

Commission for Nurture and Outreach. 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.

Youth Zip Lining Trip - Saturday April 20,

2024. The youth event task team is planning a zip lining trip to Hocking Hills. This event is for middle and high school youth. A zoom meeting will be held Thursday, February 22nd at 2 p.m. for those interested in taking part. Further details will be worked out at this meeting. For more information email Rev. Steven Brand at SBrand@pts.edu Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84888824877>. Meeting ID: 848 8882 4877



Save the date:

Fall Youth Retreat, November 16-17, 2024.
Camp Akita, 29746 Logan Hornsmill Road, Logan, Ohio.

Commission for Church Professionals News. Purpose: 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.



Ostrander Presbyterian Church Seeking to Fill Pulpit Vacancy. The congregation of Ostrander is a small, rural community church. We are seeking to fill the pulpit with a 25% position (approximately 12 hrs./week). A five member Session serves the roles of Elders, Deacons and Trustees. The position is available immediately.

Position Responsibilities: Interacts with our younger generation of the congregation. Conduct Sunday Worship including Holy Communion (if ordained). Visit shut-ins and members who are seriously ill. -Be available for general pastoral duties such as baptisms, weddings and funerals. Serve as moderator of Session. Provide counseling and support to individuals and families as needed. Connect with the local community through presence at events and using social media.

Salary and benefits are commensurate with Presbyterian guidelines. Submit a resume with a summary of qualifications and

experiences relevant to the position. Include a list of three references. Mail or email to: Nikki Conklin, Clerk, Ostrander Presbyterian Church, P.O. Box 242, Ostrander, OH 43061. conklinnikki@gmail.com



all who grieve.

We pray for the family and friends of the Rev. Edward Sensenbrenner, Retired Minister Member of the Presbytery of Scioto Valley who passed away on Saturday, February 3, 2024. We give thanks for his life and his ministry and pray for words of comfort for

Obituary

"Do you believe in prayer? does your church? Come on down..." Jesus (Matthew 26:40). We meet by phone each Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. The group prays for our Presbytery, its churches, and other concerns raised by the group. **Simply call 240-591-0333, and when prompted enter code 783190#.** The group is led by the Reverend Don Pendell.



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 12,817 (updated March 20, 2023). 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.



February Prayer List for Scioto Valley congregations and Pastors.

Throughout each month we lift 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.



Columbus, Westminster Presbyterian Church,
Worship Leader

Columbus, Christ Presbyterian Church, Pastor Pam Patterson

Columbus, Highlands Presbyterian Church, Pastor Keith Jones

Pickerington Prince of Peace Presbyterian church, Worship Leader

Dublin Presbyterian Church, Pastor Nikki Hogarth

Share your story/news? Congregations, Commissions and ministry teams are encouraged to submit items of interest to dagmar@psvonline.org

Please be aware that Scammers are busy:

- 1) finding the names of staff members on a church website.
- 2) sending an email in the staff members name to the church office email requesting a digital copy of the church directory. However, the email is from a different email than that belonging to the staff member. That's the red flag.
- 3) If the scammer is mailed the directory, the scammer contacts members by name using their cell phone number, masquerading as the pastor or other church leader. However, the source text number is not that of the pastor. That's the next red flag.
- 4) The scammer asks the church member in order to meet an emergency need to purchase an eBay gift card, scratch off the redemption code, and to mail a picture of the code.



Dear friends, the PC(USA) has designated the second Sunday in February as Camp and Retreat Sunday. As your partner in camp and retreat ministries, we are happy to share upcoming events and opportunities with you. Registration for summer camps, the spring women's retreat, and a total eclipse viewing event are all currently available at <https://kirkmontcenter.campbrainregistration.com/>. We frequently update our social media pages and encourage you to follow us there to stay up-to-date, call (937) 593-2141 or email info@KirkmontCenter.org [Facebook.com/Kirkmont](https://www.facebook.com/Kirkmont)

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Commission and Ministry Team Meetings

[Click here for Website Calendar.](#)

Scioto Valley Presbytery staff is working in the office, and available by email or phone. The Presbytery office hours are Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Website: www.psvonline.org - Presbytery Office: 614-847-0565.

[Click here to contact your Presbytery Staff and Officers.](#)

February Meetings

8, 2:00 p.m. Nominating Committee, Presbytery office.
12, 3:00 p.m. Commission for Presbytery Operations Hybrid meeting.
20, 3:30 p.m. Presbytery Hybrid meeting,
First Presbyterian, Grove City.
21, 9:00 a.m. Committee on Preparation for Ministry Zoom meeting.
21, 10:00 a.m. Book Club via Zoom.
22, 3:00 p.m. Pastors Fireside Chat, Rusty Bucket, Clintonville.
28, 1 p.m. Transitional Pastors, Presbytery office.

2024 Presbytery Hybrid Meetings, 3:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

February 20, First Presbyterian Church, Grove City, OH
May 21, First Presbyterian Church, London, OH
August 20, First Presbyterian Church, Chillicothe, OH
November 19, Covenant Presbyterian Church, Columbus, OH



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YouTube Channel. A reminder that our presbytery has a YouTube channel. (<https://www.youtube.com/c/SciotoValleyPresbytery>) with videos on officer training, global mission, curriculum selection,

Presbyterian Women gatherings, Matthew 25 programs, and more from
our presbytery

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