

Mid-week E-News July 18, 2024



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.



“Blessed are the peacemakers, they will be called children of God.” Matthew 5:9

Dear Friends,

Last weekend, anyone watching television saw the news coverage of the attempted assassination of former President Donald Trump while he was speaking at a campaign rally in Butler PA. The presbytery leader in that area has shared information about how they may provide help to those on whose doorstep tragedy and violence has occurred.

We all find ourselves in the midst of tragedies and violence, whether they directly impact us or they take away our own feelings of security and comfort. Sometimes a break from watching or reading the news is all it takes to give us the space to heal our spirit. However, sometimes it takes a lot more.

One of the resources that was shared by the Rev. Dr. Tom Harmon was that of Common Ground USA (cg-usa.org), a group that works in transforming conflict into collaboration. Their advice to the Butler PA community, and to us all, is:

- Reach out and check in with friends and colleagues on both sides of the political divide – with open hands and care. It is crucial in this moment to build the kind of collaboration and belonging that we long for.
- Encourage your networks and organizations to promote dialogue that calls for patience and calm and to use this moment to open our hearts and reach across divides rather than retreat into our camps in fear or anger.
- Exercise patience during this time as details are investigated. Refrain from sharing (and resharing) unverified information.

I would add to this list to think twice about sharing memes that you may on first glance agree with, but after having had time to contemplate, realize does

not show your true Jesus-follower identity. After all, Jesus would not call for violence to follow violence. Jesus told us to turn the other cheek – to be the peacemaker.

Will you be a part of helping to bridge the divide, even as you may be wrestling with hurt feelings, fear, or anxiety? Jesus reached out and healed the ear of the High Priest's slave after Peter used a sword to protect Jesus from being arrested. Jesus told Peter, "No more of this!" May we find ways to be on the side of "No more of this."

In Christ's service,

The Rev. Kathy Nice, Transitional General Presbyter, Presbytery of Scioto Valley

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At Montreat Youth Conference: Youth from Newark Second and Granville First throwing out an OHIO on top of Lookout Mountain, NC.

Growing up with Gracie

226th General Assembly comes together around the beloved mascot, iconic fish banks, and 75 years of One Great Hour of Sharing

[More about Gracie.](#)

Visitors from the South Pacific and South Korea have openings in their schedules

by Darla Carter | Presbyterian News Service
Frances Namoumou

LOUISVILLE — The **Presbyterian Peacemaking Program** is finalizing the itineraries of its 2024 **International Peacemakers** and needs your help to fill the schedules of peacemakers from the South Pacific and South Korea.

[Visit the PCUSA Website](#)



MATTHEW 25

Matthew 25 Congregations!

Please check your inboxes for a link to the CJOE Matthew 25 survey distributed earlier in June. We really need your input for planning and evaluation. If you can't find the email or the link,

contact Tina Johnson, tinarjohnson@gmail.com, to have the link resent. Thanks!

The Grace Upon Grace Project - Prince of Peace Presbyterian Church, Pickerington will be having a garage/Yard sale July 26 & 27, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. If the Ohio weather does not cooperate (to hot or rainy) we will move indoors to the fellowship room. Grace Haus is located on the church property, 895 Old Diley Rd, between Rule 3 and Pizza Cottage.

Volunteers are needed 7 a.m.-9 a.m. Friday 7/26 set up, 9 a.m.-12 and 12-3 p.m. both days cleanup 3 p.m.-4 p.m. both days. We are also accepting donations of metal hangers (dry cleaners or kohl's type)

Sunday, August 4, we will have our Grand Opening with an Open House at the Grace Haus from 12noon-2 p.m.. All invited!

Linda Johnson, profvol11@yahoo.com

Grace Upon Grace Project-Pickerington Prince of Peace Presbyterian Church Online Giving <https://tithe.ly/give?c=1381762>



2024-2025 Presbyterian Planning Calendar



Presbyterian Church (USA)

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It is time again to place your order for 2024-2025 Presbyterian planning calendar. The cost is \$10 each. This 19-month calendar contains many planning aids for pastors and other church leaders. 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, color foldout synod/presbytery and world maps.

To order call 614-847-0565 or email dagmar@psvonline.org You will be notified of your order so you can arrange for pick.

Jacob's Porch weekly meals. One of the best ways to get involved with Jacob's Porch is through our weekly meals we provide students free of charge. It is with the generosity and support of our congregations that we can continue serving our students in this way. We welcome all individuals, congregations, and especially youth groups to consider signing up to serve a meal for this coming school year. **Dinners are always served at 6:06pm on Sundays.** In addition, we have extra offerings during the Fall welcome week. If you are interested in signing up, please find all available times at the link below. Thank you in advance for supporting our students!

Link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E48A5AB2EABFDC52-jacobs#/>

Summer Worship - Jacob's Porch and OSUKirk invite you to join us. While many of our students are home on summer break, our community continues to gather on **Sunday evenings at 6:06pm in our space (45 E 13th Ave Columbus, OH 43201).** During these Summer months we love to have visitors and welcome anyone who is interested in checking out the Porch, especially prospective students and supporters! If you are interested in attending a Sunday when Taylor is preaching, join us July 28th. We hope to see you there!
In Christ,
Taylor Barner", Campus Minister, Jacob's Porch. www.jacobsporch.com
45 E 13th Ave, Columbus, OH 43201, Cell: 412-613-0835.

"Do you have a student headed to The Ohio State University next year? If so, OSUKirk at Jacob's Porch wants to connect with them! Please share the QR code/link below with any incoming OSU students to help us reach out before the Fall semester begins. We look forward to connecting with you soon!" Link to Intake: bit.ly/3x42uHr

July 23 7:30 p.m. Inflation Reduction Act and government funds for church's caring for God's Creation. Presbyterians for Earth Care. Here's the link to the Presbyterians for Earth Care

<https://presbyearthcare.org/july-2024-webinar-series/>

Scroll down to register for any of their events.

July Webinar III: IRA Funds for Individual & Church Green Energy Projects.

Ronald Newman, Senior Advisor at the U.S. Department of Treasury for Inflation Reduction Act Implementation, has spent the past several months engaging faith-based organizations and intermediaries such as Interfaith Power & Light regarding the Inflation Reduction Act framework, explaining concepts ranging from Direct Pay to the Investment Tax Credit. I have taken steps to better ensure that faith-based organizations can access the support they need with project planning, project management, financial analysis, financing, tax preparation and filing, and more. Mr. Newman will explain how Presbyterians can lead within the faith-based community in the clean energy transition. Join us to learn more about how individuals & congregations can access this critical funding to make the installation of green energy projects possible.

Topics covered in the presentation will include:

- the tax credits accessible by nonprofits: **Publication 5817-G (6-2023) (irs.gov)**
- the tax credits accessible by individuals/families (recognizing that churches lead communities of individuals): **Publication 5886-A (Rev. 1-2024) (irs.gov)**

Webinar Date: Tuesday, July 23, 2024

Time: 7:30 pm EDT (6:30 CDT, 5:30 MDT, 4:30 PDT)

- Presenters: Ronald Newman, U.S. Dept. of Treasury.

Rev. Emily Krause Corzine (she/her) Presbyterian for Congregational Life and Transitions

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My position is funded through the St. Andrew Legacy Fund and the generous donations of the members and churches who fund our per capita budget.

I observe sabbath on Friday and do not check email or voicemail on that day.

July book club: July 24, 31 (Wednesdays) at 10 a.m. We will meet by Zoom. *How We Ended Racism* by Justin Michael Williams and Shelly Tygielski. If you want to be sure to receive the zoom link, let us know to include you on the direct email.

Out of this World Music Camp, August 5, 2024. Newark Second Presbyterian Church

Music Camp will take place on August 5-9 from 6:00 PM – 8:30 PM each day and will be open to 4-year-old kids through graduated 8th graders. Have a question? Email the Rev. Lanie Sipes lsipes@spcnewark.org



Workshop on Becoming an LGBTQ+ Affirming Church—

Many churches would like to be bolder in their witness to the LGBTQ+ community but worry about fracturing their church. How do we lead our churches toward greater inclusion while bringing along as many as possible? Come to this workshop on leading inclusive change with unity.

The Rev. Joel Esala, pastor of Covenant Presbyterian church, shares his journey with us.

Thursday, August 29, 2024. Presbytery office in the Great Room of Overbrook Presbyterian Church, 4131 N High Street, Columbus.

9:00 a.m. fellowship, 10:00 a.m. program begins.

Noon – program ends (then have lunch with new friends)

Please register by calling the presbytery office 614-847-0565 or email dagmar@psvonline.org

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[Youth Retreat Fact Sheet](#)

[Pilgrimage
Brochure](#)

Pilgrimage to Israel and Palestine November 6-19 2024.

[Schedule](#)

For questions, or if you would like an application, please contact Rev. Mary Gene Boteler mgboteler@gmail.com or Dr. Rick Nutt rnutt@muskingum.edu. Please include this information in your church bulletin or newsletter.

Church Position Openings

Columbus Hoge Memorial Presbyterian Church is looking for an organist and choir director. For more information contact Commissioned Pastor Tom Billman at tomabillman1953@gmail.com or (614) 531-5323 (mobile).



Presbytery of Scioto Valley New Structure.

[Click here for Details about the New Structure](#)

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

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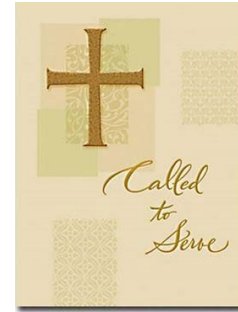
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Tuesday Morning Prayer group has decided to put a bookmark in our meetings for the summer and hopefully plans to reactivate after Labor Day.

Ordination Celebration Anniversaries'

One of the ministries of the Presbytery Commission on Ministry (COM) is to support the minister members in our Presbytery by celebrating their ordination anniversaries. This month we recognize and lift in prayer the following ministers who are celebrating the anniversaries of their ordinations to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament in the month of July.



July Ordination Celebrations

Training Events for Clergy



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

SOC@SynodoftheCovenant.org



The Presbytery of Scioto Valley includes 83 churches with a membership of 12,175 (updated March 6, 2024).

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.



July Prayer List for Scioto Valley Presbytery congregations and pastors.

Throughout 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.

Columbus Highlands Presbyterian Church, Pastor Keith Jones
Columbus Hoge Memorial Presbyterian Church, Pastor Tom Billman

Columbus Westminster Presbyterian Church, Pastor Jon Carlisle
Dublin Presbyterian Church, Pastor Nikki Hogarth
Galloway Presbyterian Church, Pastor Thom Shuman

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

[Click here for Website Calendar.](#)

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

August 20, First Presbyterian Church, Chillicothe, OH
November 19, Covenant Presbyterian Church, Columbus, OH

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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