

## Mid-week E-News September 5, 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.



---

Zechariah 8:12 says, "For I am planting seeds of peace and prosperity among you. The grapevines will be heavy with fruit. The earth will produce its crops, and the heavens will release the dew"

---

**About the 2024 Season of Peace  
September 8th – October 6th.** Welcome to the 2024 Season of Peace. This year's reflections highlight the lives of Presbyterians who have worked to advance peace and justice. **Path of Peace Daily Reflections.**



[Learn more about the Season of Peace.](#)



**Peace & Global Witness -  
September 8 - October 6, 2024.**

The Peace & Global Witness Offering encourages the church to cast off anxiety, fear, discord and division. So we can embrace God's mission of reconciliation to those around us and around the world. **Free Worship Liturgy, Social Media Images and More for World Communion Sunday.** Click here for: [Peace & Global Witness Resources.](#)

---



## Ordination Celebration Anniversaries in September.

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.

The Reverend Dr. A. Bruce Henderson – 9-1-1959  
The Reverend Dr. Thomas H. McGloshen - 9-1-1963  
The Reverend Greg Callision– 9-8-1985  
The Reverend J.Ross Slaughter- 9-8-1985  
The Reverend Lawrence R. Hoffmann – 9-15-1985  
The Reverend Jean Seitz HR -9-15-1985  
The Reverend Virginia Teitt – 9-16-2003  
Pastor Thomas A. Billman – 9-17-2019  
The Reverend Lisa Rene Eye – 9-22-2002  
The Reverend Beverly A. Schmidt – 9-22-1985  
The Reverend Patricia A. Stout – 9-22-1991  
The Reverend Alice L. Phillips – 9-25-1994  
The Reverend J. Robert Gray – 9-26-1971  
The Reverend Robert E. Martin – 9-27-1987  
The Reverend Barbara Lou Morrison – 9-27-1981  
The Reverend Lyndon E. Whybrew – 9-27-1964  
The Reverend John W. Quist – 9-28-1969

---



Dear Friends,

As the days of summer come to their end, and we see evening close earlier, it brings a feeling of melancholy; I enjoy the fall colors and the cooler evening temperatures, but I do miss the excitement of the summer.

I think this is a similar feeling in many of our churches.

The excitement of full pews and classrooms is past, the quiet of empty classrooms and missing friends in the pews is real.

While I don't want to sound pollyannaish, I think many of our churches **CAN** be exciting **STILL**. In most of our communities, there is at least one church that is growing, or at least maintaining larger numbers. Has anyone gone to see what they are doing?

That church may not hold to the same theological understandings as we do, they may not be open and inclusive, and they may not have the same denominational structure...but they are still worshiping God, are they not?

So, what are they doing? What can you do to be similar, while still maintaining your ties to the PCUSA and to our understanding of scripture? It is something that we should all take a look at in order to not go the way of Sears & Roebuck....

The Rev. Kathy Nice, Executive Presbyter, Presbytery of Scioto Valley  
[knice@psvonline.org](mailto:knice@psvonline.org) (Please note the new email address)  
614-847-0565 (office) or 614-507-2626 (mobile)



Older  
Wiser  
Lifelong  
Scholars

**"OWLS"** programs (The October School) from Ohio Living (former Westminster- Thurber). **On September 12, Thursday afternoon, from 1:00 -2:30 p.m.** OWLS will present a KICKOFF concert . Dave Powers and Kelly Krum Delaveris will perform the great American music of Gershwin and Porter at Ohio Living's

Heritage Pointe. Fee for the concert is \$15.00. For questions and details call 614-579-2557 or go to [www.owls.coursestorm.com](http://www.owls.coursestorm.com)

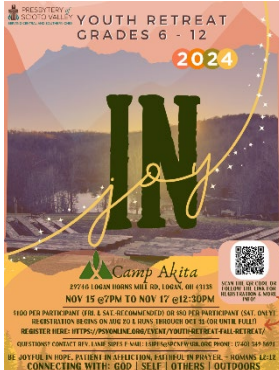
### **"Tools for Tough Talks" - September 26,**

**2024.** Disagreements about politics, theology, and other challenging topics are all around us - in our families, our churches, our communities, and our nation. How can we have these difficult conversations in ways that model our Christian faith? The Presbytery office invites you to join us in the Columbus Overbrook Church Great Room for a presentation and conversation on tools you can use to be better equipped to have loving, productive talks, led by Kathi Bubb, a Certified Christian Educator from our presbytery. To register or for more information contact the presbytery office at [dagmar@psvonline.org](mailto:dagmar@psvonline.org) or 614-847-0565 (registration not required).

**Programs of Interest to Seniors** - Memory Cafés at the Hilliard Branch

[Fall Program Schedule](#)

**Let Go & Let God: Making Space for what is important. Letting Go!** Older Adult Fall Rally, **Saturday, October 19, 2024**, 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 211 Garfield Avenue, London, OH 43140. More information coming soon.



**Fall Youth Retreat November 15-17, 2024.**  
**Camp Akita, 29746 Logan Hornsmill Road,  
Logan, Ohio.**

FACT Sheet with lots of information for you: **PSV Youth Retreat FAQ 2024.**

Group Hold: **<https://forms.gle/6tZ8sB2jFSG5bbPTA>**  
Youth Retreat  
Registration: **<https://forms.gle/85LuvrnZK8ijUvij7>**

Online payment through ZELLE payments can be made to: **[accounting@psvonline.org](mailto:accounting@psvonline.org)** If you prefer to pay by check, make your check payable to the Presbytery of Scioto Valley, mail to: 4131 N. High Street, Suite B, Columbus, OH 43214.

**[Click here for Presbytery Website Calendar.](#)**

**[Pilgrimage Brochure](#)**

**Pilgrimage to Israel and Palestine  
November 6-19 2024.**

**[Schedule](#)**

For questions, or if would like an application, please contact the Rev. Mary Gene Boteler **[mgboteler@gmail.com](mailto:mgboteler@gmail.com)** or the Dr. Rick Nutt **[rnutt@muskingum.edu](mailto:rnutt@muskingum.edu)**. Please include this information in your church bulletin or newsletter.



[SDOP READ FIRST](#)

[SDOP Grant Application](#)

*"Self-Development of People (SDOP) enters into partnerships with community groups of low-income people that want to change their lives and communities. We receive and review grant applications year-round. Apply now!"*

---

**Share your story/news?** Congregations, Commissions and ministry teams are encouraged to submit items of interest to [\*\*dagmar@psvonline.org\*\*](mailto:dagmar@psvonline.org)

---



**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\*\*](http://www.psvonline.org) - 614-847-0565.

[Click here to read more about the Core Values](#)

[Click here for the Meeting/Event Calendar.](#)

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



**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.

---



**September 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.

**Metro Central pastors and congregations.**

Columbus, Bethany, the Rev. Dr Edward K Lewis Sr.  
Columbus, Broad Street, the Rev. Ann R. Palmerton  
Columbus, Broad Street, the Rev. Amy Miracle  
Columbus, Covenant, the Rev Joel A. Esala  
Columbus, Crestview, Worship Leader Carol Bogaards  
Columbus, Glenn Echo, the Rev. Leland Platt  
Columbus, Indianola, the Rev Trip Porch  
Columbus, Old First, the Rev Katherine D. Kinnison  
Columbus, Overbrook, the Rev William P. Gause  
Columbus, Overbrook, the Rev Mary Gause  
Grandview Heights, Boulevard, the Rev Tiffany Komasara

---

**Presbytery Hybrid Meeting, 3:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

November 19,2024, 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, Matthew25 programs, and more from our presbytery

---

[Click here for Presbytery Website Calendar.](#)



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

Be sure read the latest news..  
[SOC@SynodoftheCovenant.org](mailto:SOC@SynodoftheCovenant.org)

---



[Visit General Assembly Website.](#)



[Share This Email](#)



[Share This Email](#)



[Share This Email](#)

Presbytery of Scioto Valley | 4131 N. High Street, Suite B | Columbus, OH 43214 US

[Unsubscribe](#) | [Update Profile](#) | [Constant Contact Data Notice](#)



Try email marketing for free today!