

Mid-week E-News October 17, 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.



Sing praises to the LORD, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name. Psalm 30:4



Core Value: Nurturing Spiritual Community

One of the Core Values of the Presbytery of Scioto Valley is **Nurturing Spiritual Community**. As we lean into our new structure and purpose, we ground our work in the Spirit of God and nurture the faith and lives of those we serve. Around Bible study tables. In worship. Packing meals for the after-school program. Gathering for preparation for a fall festival or soup meal. You have shared with me the ways that you are being nurtured, and the longings you have for renewed spiritual community. We nurture our souls by being with one another as the body of Christ. This foundation is grounded in the person of Jesus Christ. Each community and each person within the Presbytery of Scioto Valley contributes to the building up of the kingdom of God right where you are. As individual communities of faith, you nurture those within and outside the walls of your church. What refuels me in the Fall season, as the air becomes crisp, and the leaves turn and fall to the ground is the opportunity to walk in the leaves. Through the woods, on a walking path, on the piles along the sidewalks and streets, I am one to walk in leaves and hear the

crunch underfoot. It is the reminder of the seasons changing and preparing for a new thing.

Is God being glorified in your day and in worship? Who is God calling you to be? How do you live out that spiritual community where you are? What feeds your spirit each day? Remember to walk in leaves.

Rev. Emily Krause Corzine (she/her) Presbyter for Congregational Life & Transitions, Presbytery of Scioto Valley 614-847-0565 (office) or 380-206 4822(cell)

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.

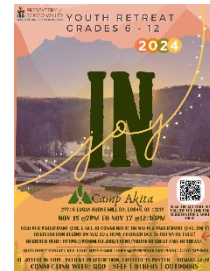
Register NOW for the Fall Youth

Retreat November 15-17, 2024, 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** 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.



Cap City Helping Hands Coat Drive

The Presbytery's Cap City Helping Hands Coat Drive is in full gear this month of October. You can help by contributing any new or gently used jackets. We always take cash donations too! Our goal is to provide 10-20 jackets to each elementary, middle, and high school in the

Columbus City Schools. Bring your donations to the Coat Box outside the Presbytery office, located in Overbrook Presbyterian Church, or call Patti Nussle at 614-209-5600 for a pick-up.

**How to Stop Breaking the Bible and Damaging People
October 24, 2024, at the Presbytery office, in the Parlor of
Overbook Presbyterian Church, 9 a.m. Gather, 10-noon Program.**

How is it that we have allowed the Living Word to become a site of hateful contention and death-dealing proclamations? Some Christians wonder if we should keep reading our sacred scriptures while others use these words to wound children of God.

Rev. Katie Kinnison uses her experiences of decades of teaching & preaching the Bible, graduate work in how reading transforms us, relationships with communities who courageously face their trauma, and her own walk with the Living God to open up what it can mean for us to study the scriptures. This "honey in the honeycomb" can indeed help us come all the way alive in God and bless the world. We need to learn to read again. We need to read in community and to let love be our aim as we live out what we come to understand from our engagement with the Spirit alive in our scriptures.

To register contact the presbytery office at dagmar@psvonline.org or call 614-847-0565 (registration not required).



**General Assembly Amendments Information
Session, Thursday, October 24th 7:00 p.m. Zoom
Meeting.** Join the General Assembly Commissioners and Presbytery Staff for a review of the Amendments that the Presbytery of Scioto Valley will be voting on at our November meeting.

This time will be an overview of the amendments, pros and cons, and other insights our commissioners had from experiences at General Assembly this summer in Salt Lake City.

Please see the amendments and rationale

HERE: https://www.pcusa.org/site_media/media/uploads/oga/pdf/2024_0920_ga226_proposed_boa_amendments_ecumenical_agreement.pdf

The ZOOM Link is provided here:

Topic: PSV General Assembly Amendment Conversations

Time: Oct 24, 2024 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84371807812?pwd=0mWX2bwuP8bYHIyIa4Vc5badQicgcq.1>

Meeting ID: 843 7180 7812. Passcode: 226721

October 24, 2024, 12noon-1:00 p.m. Lunch and Learn: Good Futures Accelerator. The Presbytery of the Western Reserve is hosting an online Zoom webinar with Corey Schlosser-Hall and DeEtte Decker from the PCUSA Office of Innovation to introduce the Good Futures Accelerator. At this event you will learn about the Good Futures Accelerator, a dynamic and proven course designed to help congregations creatively use their church buildings and property to align money and mission. **Please Register. Click here: [Good Futures Accelerator — Presbytery of the Western Reserve \(preswesres.org\)](https://preswesres.org)**

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

PSV Calendar

Concerts/Job Postings/Donation and more...



Gospel Music Concert, This Thursday October 17, 7:00 PM

West Berlin PC would like to invite you and others to join us for a wonderful Gospel Music concert by the Hyssong Family Trio, October 17, 7:00 PM at our church (2911 Berlin Station Road, Delaware, OH 43015). This will be our third year of

hosting this lively and inspiring concert. Concert is free, but a free will offering will be collected.

October 18, 2024, Boulevard Presbyterian Church is hosting a free community concert by the locally renowned musicians of ***Such Sweet Thunder*** - featuring the music of **Duke Ellington**. The concert will be held Friday, October 18, 2024, 7 - 8:30 p.m., at BOULEVARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH located at 1235 Northwest Boulevard. **Admission is FREE.** Light snacks and drinks will be served. Donations will be accepted for *Freedom a la Cart*, a Columbus Cafe and Bakery that empowers survivors of sex trafficking and exploitation to build lives of freedom and self-sufficiency.

On October 27th at 4:13, Circleville Presbyterian Church is hosting a Halloween Organ Concert. Organists from our church and community will be presenting a concert of "spooky" music. Folks are

invited to wear a (family-friendly) costume and join us for an afternoon of music. A Trunk-or-Treat will be held before the concert from 3:13-3:53 at the Trinity Lutheran Church Parking Lot, directly across the street from our church on Mound Street.

We invite attendees to bring a canned good for the Community Cupboards, and a freewill offering for Hurricane Relief will be received.

Hunted Happenings Poster

Advent is just around the corner! Do you wish that you had some new ideas for celebrating Advent through worship, education, nurture, and service, at church and in your family? Wish no more!! Instead, join us on Wednesday , **November 6, at 7:00 pm on Zoom** as we share some creative, easy, and affordable Advent ideas, led by educator Jenni Whitford and friends.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85278375759?pwd=ZpTDC1s8aHg8WhbWjhnaKqg4MWT79e.1>

Meeting ID: 852 7837 5759. Passcode: 754334



Outville Presbyterian Church Gathers Supplies for Hurricane Helene Victims in Asheville, NC.

Thursday, October 3, Wayne Rader, a member of the church volunteered to take a large trailer of supplies to the Asheville, NC area to help those impacted by Hurricane Helene. Using social

media, email, announcements Sunday during church and sharing among the community, the congregants gathered a huge supply of water, pet food and supplies, canned foods, baby supplies, cleaning items, gloves, blankets, etc. The list goes on. Cash was also donated generously. Many people from the immediate and greater community have joined us in this operation.

God's presence was clear in this "pop- up project."

Employment Opportunities

First Presbyterian Church of Westerville is seeking a part-time Director of Youth and Family Ministry. For more information, please contact Chris Henson or Nancy Dumford at jobs@fpcw.us.

The Synod of the Covenant is seeking a full-time Associate Executive for Racial Justice and a ten hour/week volunteer treasurer. If you have interest or a recommendation, please contact Chip Hardwick, Synod Executive, at chip@synodofthecovenant.org.

For more information, visit [Seeking Full-Time Associate Executive for Racial Justice \(synodofthecovenant.org\)](https://synodofthecovenant.org) for the Associate Executive position and [Available Position: Treasurer \(Volunteer Staff\) \(synodofthecovenant.org\)](https://synodofthecovenant.org) for the Treasurer position.

Gahanna Mifflin Presbyterian Church has a **Nazareth Bible School Kit** to donate. Contact jayneelgin@yahoo.com or call (614) 715-6029.



**Presbyterian Disaster Relief
Information**

Presbytery of Scioto Valley Stated Meeting - a Hybrid Meeting, November 19, 2024, 3:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m., Covenant Presbyterian Church, Columbus, OH.

Pre-Presbytery Meeting Celebrating Matthew 25

Everyone is invited to join us for a **Pre-presbytery event on Tuesday, November 19, from 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.,** at Covenant Presbyterian Church (2070 Ridgecliff Road in Columbus) as we celebrate our twenty Matthew 25 churches! We will share the vision, the joys, the challenges, and future possibilities for churches that have already made the commitment to build congregational vitality, eradicate systemic poverty, and/or dismantle structural racism. Those interested in finding out more about Matthew 25 are welcome, too! **RSVPs** to the presbytery office are requested but not required.

Regarding Ruling Elders: A monthly series for serving faithfully. Where is the place God is leading you? **valerie izumi-October 15, 2024** A few years ago, ruling elder Clara Harper, then a member at Highland Presbyterian Church in Louisville, Kentucky, was eager to get more involved. She felt she had exhausted earlier options for

service — engagement in youth group, the Montreat Youth Conference Planning Team, and Presbyterian Youth Triennium. She was open to serve as a ruling elder as an opportunity to respond to a call she had been experiencing to take the next step into leadership within the church without needing to go to seminary.

[READ MORE RE: Ruling Elders.](#)

[Presbytery Website Calendar view for future events.](#)

Faith and Finance, February 22, 2025

[Learn more about the Faith and Finance Event.](#)



Presbytery of Scioto Valley New Structure.

[Click here to view the Presbytery 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.

[Read about the Core Values](#)

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

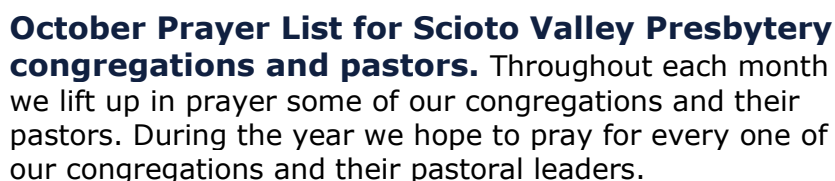
[Click here for the Meeting/Event Calendar.](#)



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

Ordination Celebration Anniversaries' in October.

October Ordination Anniversaries



Amanda Presbyterian church, Pastor Christina Piper
Bloomington, First Presbyterian church, Worship Leader
Chillicothe, First Presbyterian church, Pastor Jason Link
Circleville Presbyterian church, pastor Nancy Dederer
Frankfort Presbyterian church, pastor Todd Thomas

[Click here for Presbytery Calendar.](#)



University of North Carolina scholar offers a talk and answers questions during a Synod of the Covenant and Science for the Church webinar.

Visit General Assembly Website.



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