

Mid-week E-News November 7, 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.



How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!

Psalm 133:1 NIV

Let us be united in your peace—one in the Body, one in the Spirit, and one in the hope of calling, all through the gift of your endless grace.

Amen. Based on the Liturgy of St. Mark (2nd century)

Siblings in Christ,

On this day post the election of many local, state, and national leaders, I have heard from many of you with differing emotions of this day and this new chapter in our country's history. I am reminded of God's never-failing love for all of God's people. This, we must hold onto and champion for the sake of our faith. I am sharing a prayer from our Book of Common Worship that spoke to me today.

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart, that the barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease, and that with our divisions healed, we might live in justice and peace, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Grace and peace,

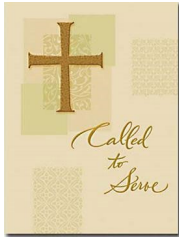
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My position is funded through the St. Andrew Legacy Fund and the generous donations of the members and churches who fund our per capita budget.

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



November 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.

Southwest pastors and congregations.

Portsmouth, First Presbyterian Church - Pastor Ron Johnson

Portsmouth, Second Presbyterian Church - Pastor Allison Bauer

Sedalia, Midway Presbyterian Church - Worship Leader

Washington Court House Presbyterian Church - Pastor Steve Brand

Waverly, First Presbyterian Church, Pastor Jane Johnson

Ordination Celebration Anniversaries in November.

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 Phyllis A. Heffner HR – 11-2-1980

The Reverend Judith Birdsall HR – 11-3-1985

The Reverend Tiffany Komasa – 11-8-2015

The Reverend Joon Won Lee – 11-8-1998

The Reverend John J. Manos HR – 11-11-1956

The Reverend. Mark Pierce – 11-16-1986

The Reverend Mark L. Gauen HR – 11-23- 1986

The Reverend Kevin W. Heckathorn – 11-28-1999

Commissioned Pastor Kevin J. Lowry – 11-28-2023

The Reverend Karen Stahr Bloom HR – 11-29-1992

The Reverend Deborah A. Lewicki HR – 11-30-1997





The Reverend Dr. Jonathan Seitz, Installation Service at Liberty Presbyterian Church, Delaware. Congratulations!



Presbytery of Scioto Valley Stated Meeting - a Hybrid Meeting, November 19, 2024, 3:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m., at 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.

Clean Up Bucket Challenge (through November 19th).

The Presbytery of Scioto Valley (PSV) is collecting Clean Up Buckets (see link) for the clean-up efforts in the Southeastern United States. We have commitments for seventy-one buckets from our churches. **THANK YOU! KEEP THEM COMING!** We are challenging PSV churches to support this effort and bring the buckets to the November 19th Presbytery meeting at Covenant Presbyterian Church, Upper Arlington. So far Church World Service has distributed close to 6,000 buckets after recent hurricanes. We will help refill their supply. We know more churches who are



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gathering supplies and building buckets! That is amazing! Contact Rev. Emily Corzine for more information and let her know how many buckets you have. Please consider giving to Church World Service or Presbyterian Disaster Assistance for their ongoing work.

Clean Up Buckets are needed: <https://pda.pcusa.org/page/kits/>

A prayer from PDA Director, Rev. Edwin Gonzalez-Castillo

Helene Prayer

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/Hurricane Bucket Assembly

Download Christmas Joy Offering Resources Early!

[Christmas Joy Resources](#)

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 \(synodofthecovenant.org\)](#) for the Associate Executive position and [Available Position: Treasurer \(Volunteer Staff\) \(synodofthecovenant.org\)](#) 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.

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

2025 - Coming Events - Mark your calendar now!

January 11, 2025. Church Officers Training.

Pull out your calendars and add the Presbytery Church Officer Training on Saturday, January 11, 2025. Registration starts at 9:00 a.m., and the event will finish by 11:30 a.m. **Classes for elders and deacons** will be held at two locations - Gahanna Mifflin Presbyterian Church and Chillicothe First Presbyterian Church. More details are coming soon, but **save the date!**

[Sign Up Here.](#)

March 1, 2025 - PIE (Partners in Education) Event!

We are excited about this year's **PIE (Partners in Education)** Event on Saturday, March 1, 2025, at Covenant Presbyterian Church in Columbus, starting with registration at 9:00 a.m. and ending by 2:30 p.m. Our keynote speaker will be the dynamic **Dr. Corey Schlosser-Hall, the Presbyterian Mission Agency's Deputy Executive Director of Vision, Innovation and Rebuilding.** We will also have eight workshops, including "Making Your Church More Visible", "Real Talk from Young Adults", "Anti-Hunger Advocacy", and "Prayer Practices for Lent". The cost for the event is \$20 which includes lunch. More information is coming soon, but please put this on your calendar and spread the word!

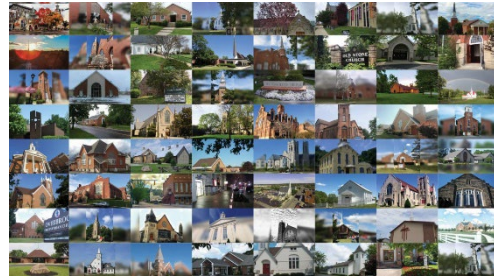
February 22, 2025, Faith and Finance, February 22, 2025

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

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.



The Presbytery staff is in the office and available by email or phone at 614-847-0565, office hours Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. www.psvonline.org

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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, Matthew25 programs, and more from our presbytery.

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