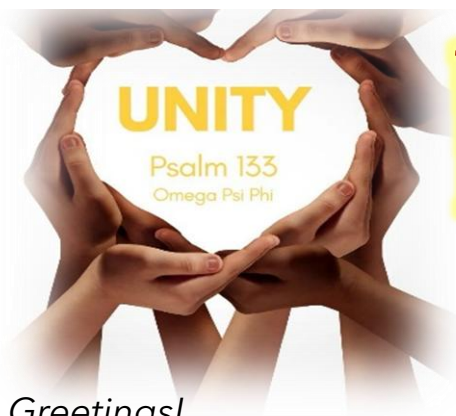


PW in the Synod of the Covenant Gathering 2026



Bound Together in Unity & Love

Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!

Psalms 133:1 NKJV

Greetings!

We hope you make it a point to join us for our Synod of the Covenant Gathering, **July 24-25, 2026**, being held at **Southminster Presbyterian Church**, 7001 Far Hills Ave., Dayton, Ohio, 45459. Here's their web site: <https://sminster.com>.

The registration **fee** of \$75 (full 2-day experience) or \$50 (1-day only) **includes**: all programming for both days, Friday's dinner, and lunch on Saturday! Use the registration form below to help us plan a joy filled event from start to finish! Please make checks payable to PWSOC and **mail your response to our registrar**: Audra Carr - 4731 Holt Rd., Holt, MI 48842 by June 29, 2026.

Questions or Concerns? Contact Anita Betts - P W Gathering Coordinator @ busybeemom50@yahoo.com or call (517) 993 7000.

Please Provide the Following Information:

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: ____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Presbytery: _____ Church: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone # _____

Participation Options and Choices! (Please fill in missing information and/or check the boxes)

Your name tag will say, My Name is... _____

Meals needed: Friday Dinner Saturday Lunch

Dietary Restrictions/Requests: Vegetarian: Gluten Free: Other:

Special diet or unique limitations: _____

Sat. AM **Workshop Selection** (See Sat description): A B C D

Join Us in Support of
Artemis House!
Gift cards from the following
retailers are needed!
Kroger Meijer Target Speedway

A Schedule that Values Your Presence!

FRIDAY 7-24 Activities and Events

- 3PM** Check-in
- 3:30** Lighting of the Christ Candle, Greeting and Land Acknowledgement
- 3:40** Opening Devotions with Chris Wolfe
- 4:00** Welcome - Chip Hardwick
Executive for the Synod
- 4:25** Horizon Skit
- 4:35** Business Meeting - Part 1
 - * Break
- 5:30** Blessing and Dinner
- 6:45** Energizers & Music
- 7:00** **Keynote: Dr. Sarah Leer**
- 7:50** **Closing** for the evening
- 8:00** **Let's PLAY Bingo!**



Sarah Leer PhD

Sarah - Arkansan native & lifelong Presbyterian. She has served non-profits for 10+ years, including the Presbyterian Church (USA), owner of Sarah Leer Consulting, LLC.

SATURDAY AM Activities & Events

- 8:00** Morning Check-in
- 8:30** Welcome Devotions by Jane Mytenko
- 9:00** **News from Louisville**
P W Exec. Dir.- Susan Jackson Dowd
Pam Synder: Gathering Moderator

* **Susan Jackson Dowd** has served on the PC(USA) national Louisville staff since 1988. The first six years with the Presbyterian Publishing Corporation and the remaining years with the *PW Horizons*.

- 9:50** **Keynote: Dr. Lisa Hess**
 - * Break

10:40 Workshops

- A.** Dr. Leer: 26-27 Bible Study Questions
- B.** Dr. Hess: Writing as a spiritual practice
- C.** Sue Ochs & Rhonda Martin:
The Role and Duties of a P W Treasurer
- D.** Susan J. Dowd & Pam Snyder
P W Essentials

SATURDAY PM Activities & Events

NOON Blessings and Lunch

- 1:00** PW Business Meeting - Part 2
- 1:30** **Presentation by the Artemis Center** -
Dayton's Domestic Violence Resource Agency
 - * Break
- 2:30** Closing Worship
- 3:30** Extinguishing Christ Candle and optional walk to the Sojourner Truth Statue

Planning to spend Friday night in Dayton? Audra Carr - our registrar, will provide Internet links for the following 2 hotels when she receives your reservation information.

*Both locations provide Continental Breakfasts!

Home 2 Suites by Hilton: 5161
Cornerstone N. Blvd. Centerville, OH
45440

Holiday Inn Express by IHG: 5655
Wilmington Pike Centerville, OH 45440

Lisa is a professor-scholar, poet, teaching-elder (PCUSA), Circle-Way facilitator, and an avid Peloton & Cross Fitter enthusiast. Ohio is home for Lisa and her family.



Lisa M. Hess, PhD

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ARE YOU a FIRST TIME PW Synod Gathering Attendee OR did YOU BRING a first-time attendee?

If the answer is YES let us know when you check in and get your DRAWING TICKET!