

Presbytery of Scioto Valley (PSV) Mid-Week E-News March 20, 2019

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The Presbytery OF SCIOTO VALLE

Presbytery of Scioto Valley Mission and Vision Statement

God calls us through the Holy Spirit to connect with each other to plant, grow and nurture vital,

faithful communities of Christ for service and ministry.

In response we build partnerships,

*communicate with and support congregations,
leaders and individuals,*

and embody Christ's transforming love in the world.

Presbytery Calendar

March 2019

Wednesday,

March 20

First Day of Spring!



Happy Spring!!!

Meeting at 9:15 a.m.

CPM Task Team

Tuesday,

March 26

1 pm

PSV Commission

Presbytery of Scioto Valley Leadership Conference and Retreat



Presbytery volunteer leaders serving on the Presbytery Coordinating Team and its Commissions recently gathered at the Procter Conference Center for a Leadership Conference and Retreat focusing on God's Future for the Presbytery of Scioto Valley. During this short conference retreat led by Bob G. Armstrong, the gathering came up with a proposed three year plan to prepare the presbytery for God's future and the hosting of the 225th General Assembly (GA) of the PC(USA) in 2022. Focusing on forward thinking, topics included identifying our Presbytery Committee on Local Arrangements (COLA), ministry initiative grants, education on Presbyterian life, witness

for Nurture and Outreach

**Wednesday,
March 27**

Jackson Arch & Eddies

Hanging Rock Area
Church Professionals
Gatherings

11 am Bible Study

Noon Lunch

APRIL



Monday, April 1

12:30 pm

PSV Commission for
Church Professionals

3 pm

PSV Commission for
Congregational Life

Tuesday, April 2

2 pm

Ministries Initiatives
Board Meeting

Monday, April 8

3 pm

PSV Commission for
Presbytery Operations

Tuesday, April 9

1 pm

PSV Older Adult
Ministry Team Meeting

Thursday, April 11

and the Reformed tradition, sustainable youth ministries, empowering congregations, new ways to measure church vitality, connecting congregations, global mission, campus ministries, regional gatherings and support, new interest groups, and preparations for hosting our denominational General Assembly (GA) in 2022. Watch for more information soon.

Glen Echo Presbyterian Church Mission Work Trip...

Medical Doctors and Nurse Practitioners Needed...

Glen Echo's annual Haiti medical mission work trip is scheduled for May 26-June 2. It would be wonderful to locate as many as 3 MD's and/or nurse practitioners to serve. Dr. Diane Gorgas, Vice-Chair Academic Affairs OSU Emergency Medicine and Executive Director OSU Office of Global Health, will be leading the trip. Contact Pastor Lee Platt at 614-286-6221 for more information.

Congregational News Items...

Fredericktown First Presbyterian Church...

realize that giving is ageless as they recognize 4-year-old Matilda for donating her long blond hair to someone, a child or adult, who is dealing with a grave

illness. Children are never too young to understand the concept of giving. Matilda's gift of her hair

displayed that generosity is the giving of oneself to another through whatever resources are available to you. Parents Cindy and Jim encourage and inspire Matilda to be kind, caring, decisive, and always generous.



Matilda after donating her long hair.

Granville First Presbyterian Church... is celebrating being certified as an Earth Care Congregation (ECC) in February. An Earth Care Congregation speaks to the great commitment to caring for God's earth. To become an Earth Care Congregation, the congregation affirms an Earth Care Pledge that integrates environment practices and thinking into all facets of church life. Practices and activities are completed in the fields of worship, education, facilities and outreach. Other PSV churches that are currently certified as Earth Care Congregations are Jackson First Presbyterian Church and Delaware First Presbyterian Church.

Metropolitan Area Council (MACC) Update

12:30 pm
PSV Staff
Lunch/Meeting

April 14
Palm Sunday
Holy Week Begins

April 18
Maundy Thursday

April 19
Good Friday

Sunday, April 21
Easter Sunday!



COMING IN MAY

Tuesday,
May 21
Presbytery
Meeting Day
First Presbyterian
Church, London

1-3 pm Session
Records Review

3:30-7:30 p.m.
Presbytery Meeting

By The Reverend Dr. George Mehaffey

The Mission Statement of the Metropolitan Area Church Council (MACC) affirms that The Columbus Metropolitan Church Council honors God by linking Christian communities through communicating, expression, and service. MACC recently met to address the antisemitism and anti-Muslim discrimination and bigotry against minorities. The members of MACC commended the House of Representatives for its overwhelming resolution condemning all types of discrimination "contrary to the values and aspirations of the people of The United States". For more information about MACC, contact the Rev. Dr. George Mehaffey, 614-361-0755.

Covenant Gathering 2019

Plan now for a week of fun- and faith-filled summer fun!



July 7, 4 pm - July 12, 11 am
Geneva Retreat and Conference Center
5282 N Old US 31, Rochester, IN
www.genevacenter.org

Join with other Christians at the beautiful Geneva Retreat, Camp and Conference Center in the rolling hills of north central Indiana for this year's Covenant Gathering. We will share amazing "What If" possibilities of faith in God's Kingdom. Covenant Gathering is a little bit conference and a little bit vacation with facilities for all abilities!

Visit: www.covenantgathering.com for more information.

CLERK'S CORNER...by Rev.Sally Robinson, PSV Stated Clerk

At our last presbytery meeting on February 19, 2019, commissioners voted on the changes to the Book of Order technically called the Amendments to the Constitution. You may find those amendments on our presbytery website: www.psvonline.org, under Documents and Resources/Minutes Archives/Proposed Amendments for February 19. We voted to approve all but 18-C, which we voted not to approve. As of this week, a total of

132 presbyteries have voted, and those voters have been much the same as ours. All of the amendments have been approved, with the exception of 18-C which was disapproved. That means a new Book of Order will be printed this summer and available to us next fall. For those of you who were commissioners to this meeting, you have had an opportunity to be a part of our national process of our connectional system of government at work. This is part of what it means to be a Presbyterian. Those of us who are members of a presbytery (Ministers of Word and Sacrament) or a local church (Ruling Elders) have a voice in the larger church. Thank you for exercising your right to have this voice.

Memorial Service for the Reverend Robina Winbush

Friday, March 22, Noon. Calling Hours 10 am-12 Noon.
Columbus Broad Street Presbyterian Church

Robina grew up in Columbus at our Bethany Presbyterian Church. She has been serving as the Associate Stated Clerk and the Director of Ecumenical Relations in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).



Coming to Scioto Valley in June 25-July 2, 2022!

The 225th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

Plans are already being made by our Presbytery to prepare for the honor of hosting the 225th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), June 25-July 2, 2022. If you want to be involved in the planning for the 225th General Assembly, please sign up on the presbytery website: www.psvonline.org or email: jeannie@psvonline.org

The Presbytery of Scioto Valley (PSV) Stated Meetings for 2019

May 21, 3:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. - First Presbyterian Church, London
September 17, 3:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. - Liberty Presbyterian Church, Delaware
November 19, 3:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. - Circleville Presbyterian Church

News is normally sent out mid-week. If you would like to share information about your congregation and its mission and ministry activities, please email them by Wednesday morning to: jeannie@psvonline.org.

Items are included and edited as space allows.

For the latest news and information from the Presbytery of Scioto Valley and its churches, visit www.psvonline.org. Telephone: 614-847-0565 or 800-244-7207; Fax: 614-847-4359