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“And he asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Christ.”

Mark 8:29

For the week of September 13, 2018

The Cincinnati Sampler

REPORT FROM OUR MEETING

The Presbytery of Cincinnati (PoC) gathered this past Tuesday for worship, fellowship, discernment and decision-making, and here's what happened:

- Welcomed new pastors to the Presbytery: Bob Anderson as Interim at PCW; Ken Locke as Interim at Fort Thomas; Jeffrey Lange as Pastor at Glendale; Hailey Malcolm as Interim at Montgomery; Kris Moore as Interim at Calvin-Amelia; Brad Sheppard as Designated at Immanuel
- Approved new Bylaws (amended) for the Presbytery of Cincinnati
- Designated the Reverend Maurice Mitchell as Honorably Retired effective October 1, 2018
- Approved Administrative Commissions for Reading-Lockland PC and Elmwood-Carthage PC
- Approved a 3% increase in the 2019 Minimum Effective Salary Compensation for Full-Time Pastors (required)
- Encouraged a 3% salary increase for Pastors and CREs in 2019 (recommended)
- Received the 2019 Proposed Budget for a first reading
- Received information regarding Local Mission Partnership Grants
- Encouraged to attend the Coaching Event hosted in October at Crestview
- Reminded by the Stated Clerk and Moderator to complete the Necrology Form in advance of the November Stated Meeting
- Elected for 2019: TE Adam Fronczek (Knox) as Moderator; RE Bill Bogdan (Mt Auburn) as Vice-Moderator; RE Bob Young (Blue Ash) as Chair of Council and RE Bill Maney (Crestview) as Treasurer
- Participated in a choice of workshops
- Received a generous offering in support of PC(USA) mission co-workers (the Shelvis-Mathers) in the South Sudan: \$1,338



PRESBYTERY STAFF AND OFFICERS

- Nancy Kahaian, General Presbyter—nancy@cpresby.org
- Melana Scruggs, Stated Clerk—melana@cpresby.org
- Margaret Heidenreich, Administrative Assistant — secretary@cpresby.org
- Phil Chapman, Financial Secretary—phil@cpresby.org
- Bob Young, Moderator
- Adam Fronczek, Vice Moderator
- **PRESBYTERY OFFICE HOURS ARE 9AM-2PM** Monday through Thursday

SEPTEMBER 2018

CALENDAR

PRESBYTERY OF
CINCINNATI (POC)

Tue 18 Sept

9:30AM Bible Study for
Pastors and Preachers at the
Presbytery Office—Rabbi du
Jour is Sarah Ruden

Thu 20 Sept

10:00AM Committee on
Preparation for Ministry
Meeting at Presbytery Office

Fri 21 Sept– Sat 22 Sept

“Conflict in the Church:
Entrusted with the Message
of Reconciliation” at the
Wilmington Presbyterian
Church, Ohio

Mon 24 Sept

10:00AM-4:00PM Execu-
tive Forum in the Synod of
the Covenant at Toledo

Tues 25 Sept

9:30AM Bible Study for
Pastors and Preachers at the
Presbytery Office—Rabbi du
Jour is Sarah Ruden

11:00AM Nominating Com-
mittee at the Presbytery
Office

PRESBYTERY GATHERS



Two Opportunities to receive resources for discipleship and ministry, along with networking with fellow Presbyterians in our region include:

Conflict in the Church: Entrusted with the Message of Reconciliation at Wilmington, Ohio (a shared ministry with Miami Valley Presbytery). If your leadership seeks tools for managing differences of opinion and difficult decisions, please attend. There is a required profile to complete, and registrations **are due at the end of TODAY, Thursday, September 13**. Please call the Presbytery Office at 513.221.4850.

A Coach Approach to Change, Transition and Transformation featuring Chad Hall, President of Coach Approach Ministries. This event will be hosted Friday, October 19 and Saturday, October 20 by the Presbytery at Crestview PC in West Chester. A registration form is posted on the Presbytery website. **Registrations are due October 12!** Everyone is welcome to attend.

NEWS AND NOTES FOR YOU

The Reverend Brooks Holtzclaw—Honorably Retired—passed away on Friday, September 7. He was a member of the Presbytery of Cincinnati, and served the Morrow Presbyterian Church for more than 30 years. Services will be held on Saturday, September 22 at 11AM at the Pleasant Plain Presbyterian Church, Reverend Kevin Waters officiating.

Bill Clegern, RE at Glendale, died peacefully at his home on August 31 after a two-year battle with cancer. His wife, Sharon Clegern, serves on staff at Pleasant Ridge PC, and is active with Presbyterian Youth Connection. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, September 29 at 11AM at Knox Presbyterian Church.

Eastern Area Congregations—Crop Walk will be hosted this Sunday, September 16 from 1:00-3:00PM at Adams Lake State Park in West Union. Please bring a dish to share. Hot dogs and beverages will be provided. Everyone welcome!

Recovery Service at Providence Presbyterian Church in Bright, IN on Wednesday, September 16 at 7:30PM. Everyone is welcome to this worship service, grounded in 12-step spirituality.

Apple Fest at Immanuel Presbyterian Church on Saturday, October 6 from 11AM-4PM. You want a homemade apple pie from Immanuel! Come and support IPC!

Mystery Dinner on Sunday, October 7 is a Presbyterian Youth Connection event open to young people in the life of the Presbytery of Cincinnati. For more information, please contact the Reverend Kelsey Hawisher-Faul at Heritage PC 513.398.7671

Questions and suggestions for the 2019 Budget for the Presbytery of Cincinnati should be forwarded to office@cpresby.org by Monday, October 15. Thank you for your feedback.