

**The Presbytery of Ohio Valley**  
**Docket for Assembly: November 21, 2024**  
**Video Conference via Zoom**  
**Elder Beth Snyder, Moderator**  
**The Rev. Wendy VanderZee, Vice Moderator**  
**Elder Joe Kimmel, Stated Clerk**  
**10:00am ET/9:00am CT**

Declaration of Quorum

Call to Order and Opening Prayer: Beth Snyder

Introductory Business

    Welcome

    Introduction of New Members: Joe Kimmel and Susan McGhee

    Seating of Corresponding Members: Joe Kimmel

    Consent Agenda: Minutes of August 24, 2024; Docket; Stated Clerk's Report; Treasurer's

Report

Greetings from Lauren W. Rogers, Ministry Engagement Advisor, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

Report of the Presbytery Council: Susan McGhee

    Recognition of South Side Presbyterian Church

    2025 Budget

Report of the Committee on Ministry: Alan Finnan

    Presentation of Ruling Elder Ron Strohe to be examined for commissioning to particular  
    pastoral service in and for the Spencer Presbyterian Church

Report of the Nominating Committee: Deborah Fortel

Annual Meeting of the Corporation: David Crittenden

Greetings from Pyoca Camp and Retreat Center: Mike Davis

Speak Out Session

Report of the Executive Presbyter

New Business

Prayers of the Presbytery

    Memorial Moments for the Rev. D. Calvert Brand

Invitation to the Offering

Proclamation of the Word: Beth Snyder

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Recognition of Out-Going Presbytery Leadership

Installation of Presbytery Moderator and Vice-Moderator for 2025

Adjournment with Closing Litany

**Stated Clerk's Report**

Elder Joe Kimmel

**A. Teaching Elder Changes since August Assembly:**

- Ministers Received:  
Mary Beth McCandless – Maumee Valley Presbytery
- Ministers Dismissed:  
Linda Peters – Chicago Presbytery
- Minister Deaths:  
Cal Brand – 11/03/24

**B. Churches with 5-Year Anniversaries ---- Dec 2024:**

<b>Church</b>	<b>Founded</b>	<b>Anniversary</b>
New Albany, Mount Tabor	12/13/1914	110

**C. Business Entity Reminder:** Clerks of each Session complete/update their Church's Business Entity Reports with the Indiana Secretary of State's website every other year. Please check to see if this is the year for your needed update or if it is past due. To look up a church's status use the following link: <https://bsd.sos.in.gov/publicbusinesssearch>

**D. Assembly Dates for 2025:**

- Saturday, February 8, 2025 (likely by Zoom)
- Thursday, May 22, 2025 (Pyoca Camp & Retreat Center)
- Saturday, August 23, 2025 (likely *in-person*)
- Thursday, November 20, 2025 (likely by Zoom)

## Treasurer's Report

Elder Jean Brown

Presbytery of Ohio Valley, Inc.  
Condensed Statement of Revenues and Expenses (Actual vs Budget)  
January 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024

	<u>Jan-Sept 2024</u> <u>Actual</u>	<u>Annual</u> <u>Budget</u>	<u>% of</u> <u>Budget</u>
<b><u>Revenue</u></b>			
Per Capita	\$ 188,835	\$ 238,590	79%
Shared Giving (Unified Mission)	44,521	85,000	52%
Contributions	3,936	17,500	22%
Unrestricted Invest Inc & Trans	9,000	12,000	75%
Restricted Invest Inc & Trans	56,250	75,000	75%
	<u>302,542</u>	<u>428,090</u>	71%
<b><u>Expense</u></b>			
Staff Expense	218,610	281,829	78%
Ecclesiastical Expense	57,196	71,590	80%
Meeting Expense	3,024	4,000	76%
Administration & Office Expense	31,223	40,000	78%
Program Expense	20,627	32,000	64%
<b>Total Expense</b>	<u>330,679</u>	<u>429,419</u>	77%
<b>Net Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<u>\$ (28,137)</u>	<u>\$ (1,329)</u>	

### **Fund Balances**

**As of September 30, 2024**

Church Legacy Funds	961,911
Monroe City Fund	115,071
Charlie Pye Fund for Excellence in Ministry	100,310
Restricted Funds (Specific Use)	29,521
Undesignated Net Assets	<u>1,530,934</u>
	<u>\$ 2,737,747</u>

If you would like a detailed statement or any other additional information, please contact Jean Brown at (866) 344-7853 or at [jean@presbyteryov.org](mailto:jean@presbyteryov.org)

**2024 Per Capita 55**

		<b>Members</b>	<b>2024 Per Capita</b>	<b>Received as of 11/7/2024</b>	<b>% Paid</b>
Bedford	First	87	4,785	4,785	100.0%
Bloomfield	First	53	2,915	2,915	100.0%
Bloomington	First	319	17,545	13,159	75.0%
Bloomington	United	48	2,640	2,640	100.0%
Boonville	Hemenway Memorial	78	4,290	4,290	100.0%
Brazil	First	219	12,045	6,023	50.0%
Brownstown	Brownstown	32	1,760	1,760	100.0%
Canaan	Jefferson	6	330		0.0%
Cayuga	Cayuga	20	1,100	1,100	100.0%
Central	Valley City	14	770	770	100.0%
Charlestown	Community	20	1,100	1,100	100.0%
Clinton	United	34	1,870	1,870	100.0%
Columbus	Fairlawn	79	4,345	2,173	50.0%
Columbus	First	434	23,870	23,870	100.0%
Corydon	Corydon	72	3,960		0.0%
Dale	Dale	35	1,925	1,925	100.0%
Elizabeth	Church of the Covenant	28	1,540	1,540	100.0%
Evansville	Eastminster	232	12,760	6,125	48.0%
Evansville	First	293	16,115	13,429	83.3%
Evansville	First Avenue	32	1,760		0.0%
Farmersburg	First	12	660	660	100.0%
Fort Branch	First	53	2,915	84	2.9%
Greencastle	Greencastle	102	5,610	5,610	100.0%
Hanover	Hanover	49	2,695	2,695	100.0%
Henryville	Community	32	1,760	1,760	100.0%
Henryville	Mount Lebanon	20	1,100	1,100	100.0%
Jeffersonville	First	170	9,350	9,350	100.0%
Laconia	Rehoboth	47	2,585	2,585	100.0%
Laconia	United	13	715	715	100.0%
Leavenworth	Community	40	2,200		0.0%
Lexington	Lexington	69	3,795	3,795	100.0%
Livonia	United	34	2,070	1,870	90.3%
Madison	Madison	122	6,710	6,710	100.0%
Madison	Smyrna-Monroe	7	385	385	100.0%
Martinsville	First	58	3,190	3,190	100.0%
Mitchell	Mitchell	43	2,365		0.0%
Montezuma	First	15	825	825	100.0%
Mount Vernon	First	55	3,025	3,025	100.0%
Nabb	Nabb	11	605	605	100.0%
Nashville	Brn County Fellowship	43	2,365	2,365	100.0%
New Albany	Mount Tabor	75	4,125	4,125	100.0%
New Albany	St. John United	162	8,910	2,295	25.8%
New Washington	Trinity United	15	825	385	46.7%
North Vernon	Graham	16	880	880	100.0%
Paoli	First	42	2,310	1,155	50.0%
Patoka	Patoka	28	1,540	1,540	100.0%
Patoka	Union Bethel	10	550	550	100.0%
Petersburg	Main Street	51	2,805	2,805	100.0%
Princeton	Fairview	44	2,420	2,420	100.0%
Princeton	Princeton	67	3,685	3,685	100.0%
Roachdale	Roachdale	32	1,760	1,760	100.0%

**2024 Per Capita 55**

		<u>Members</u>	<u>2024 Per Capita</u>	<u>Received as of 11/7/2024</u>	<u>% Paid</u>
Rockville	Memorial	8	440	440	100.0%
Salem	Salem	43	2,365	2,365	100.0%
Scipio	Scipio	18	990	990	100.0%
Scottsburg	First	40	2,200	2,200	100.0%
Seymour	First	113	6,215	6,215	100.0%
Spencer	Spencer	63	3,465	3,465	100.0%
Sullivan	First	52	2,860	2,860	100.0%
Terre Haute	Central	202	11,110	11,110	100.0%
Terre Haute	Unity	52	2,860	2,860	100.0%
Vernon	Vernon	7	385	385	100.0%
Vevay	Caledonia	4	220		0.0%
Vincennes	Bethany	12	660	660	100.0%
Vincennes	Indiana	95	5,225	2,500	47.8%
Vincennes	South Side	7	385		0.0%
Vincennes	Upper Indiana	56	3,080	3,080	100.0%
Washington	Westminster	56	3,080	2,310	75.0%
		4,500	\$ 247,700	\$ 199,842	80.7%

**Shared Mission 2024**

		<u>Pledged</u>	<u>Received as of November 7, 2024</u>			
			<u>GA</u>	<u>Synod</u>	<u>POV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Bedford	First					0
Bloomfield	First		210	35	455	700
Bloomington	First				2,700	2,700
Bloomington	Korean					0
Bloomington	United					0
Boonville	Hemenway Memorial					0
Brazil	First					0
Brownstown	Brownstown					0
Canaan	Jefferson					0
Cayuga	Cayuga					0
Central	Valley City					0
Charlestown	Community					0
Clinton	United					0
Columbus	Fairlawn		473	158	945	1,575
Columbus	First		12,705	1,284	16,693	30,682
Corydon	Corydon					0
Dale	Dale					0
Elizabeth	Church of the Covenant					0
Evansville	Eastminster					0
Evansville	First		1,800	400	3,800	6,000
Evansville	First Avenue					0
Farmersburg	First					0
Fort Branch	First					0
Greencastle	Greencastle					0
Hanover	Hanover		550	250	1,200	2,000
Henryville	Community					0
Henryville	Mount Lebanon					0
Jeffersonville	First		825	300	3,375	4,500

## Shared Mission 2024

		<b>Received as of November 7, 2024</b>				
		<u>Pledged</u>				
			<u>GA</u>	<u>Synod</u>	<u>POV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Laconia	Rehoboth		150	25	325	500
Laconia	United					0
Leavenworth	Community					0
Lexington	Lexington					0
Livonia	United		1,500	423	1,923	3,845
Madison	Madison		150	25	325	500
Madison	Smyrna-Monroe		90	15	195	300
Martinsville	First					0
Mitchell	Mitchell					0
Montezuma	First		150	25	325	500
Mount Vernon	First		300	50	650	1,000
Nabb	Nabb		30	5	65	100
Nashville	Brn County Fellowship		1,500	250	3,250	5,000
New Albany	Mount Tabor					0
New Albany	St. John United					0
New Washington	Trinity United					0
North Vernon	Graham					0
Paoli	First					0
Patoka	Patoka					0
Patoka	Union Bethel					0
Petersburg	Main Street		600	100	1,300	2,000
Princeton	Fairview					0
Princeton	Princeton		300	50	650	1,000
Roachdale	Roachdale					0
Rockville	Memorial					0
Salem	Salem					0
Scipio	Scipio					0
Scottsburg	First		200	100	2,000	2,300
Seymour	First					0
Spencer	Spencer					0
Sullivan	First					0
Terre Haute	Central		4,875	1,375	6,250	12,500
Terre Haute	Unity					0
Vernon	Vernon		195	55	250	500
Vevay	Caledonia					0
Vincennes	Bethany					0
Vincennes	Indiana					0
Vincennes	Southside					0
Vincennes	Upper Indiana					0
Washington	Westminster		1,800	330	3,870	6,000
		<u>0</u>	<u>28,402</u>	<u>5,255</u>	<u>50,546</u>	<u>84,202</u>

## **Report of the Presbytery Council**

The Rev. Susan McGhee, Moderator

### **For Presbytery's Information**

#### **The Presbytery Council conducted an electronic vote August 14, 2024**

- Acting as a Commission of Presbytery, commissioned Ruling Elder Joe Kimmel to serve as Moderator of Session of Livonia United Presbyterian Church, effective 08/15/24

#### **The Presbytery Council conducted an electronic vote August 15, 2024**

- Acting as a Commission of Presbytery, adopted the attached resolution to act on matters pertaining to the dissolution of the South Side Presbyterian Church

#### **The Presbytery Council conducted an electronic vote September 22, 2024**

- Acting as a Commission of Presbytery, appointed John VanderZee to serve as Moderator of Session of First Presbyterian Church, Bedford
- Acting as a Commission of Presbytery, appointed Susan Moorefield to serve as Moderator of Session of Cayuga Presbyterian Church
- Acting as a Commission of Presbytery, approved the celebration of the Lord's Supper at the Presbytery Convocation on September 16, 2024

#### **The Presbytery Council conducted an electronic vote October 17, 2024**

- Acting as a Commission of Presbytery, appointed Susan McGhee to serve as Moderator of Session of Patoka Presbyterian Church

#### **The Presbytery Council met by Zoom Videoconference October 30, 2024**

- Acting as a Commission of Presbytery, received and approved a request from First Presbyterian Church, Fort Branch, for an exemption to G-2.0404, which limits the service of a ruling elder or deacon to six consecutive years, pending approval of the congregation.
- Acting as a Commission of Presbytery, received and approved a request from Nabb Presbyterian Church for an exemption to G-2.0404, which limits the service of a ruling elder or deacon to six consecutive years, pending approval of the congregation.
- Acting as a Commission of Presbytery, appointed Jerusha Van Camp as Moderator of Session of Patoka Presbyterian Church, effective 11/01/24
- Appointed Jerusha Van Camp to serve as Registrar for the 2025 Presbyterian Youth Triennium
- Appointed **David Crittenden** (Board of Trustees President); **Jean Brown** (Treasurer), **Bill Henderson** (216<sup>th</sup> GA Commissioner & Member of GA Funding Resources Committee); **Rob Henson** (Financial Development Specialist & Member of Stewardship Committee); **Alan Finnan** (COM Co-Moderator & Member of Personnel Committee); **Wendy VanderZee** (2025 Presbytery Moderator); and **Susan McGhee** (Executive Presbyter & Moderator of Council) as members of a Funding Review Task Force to explore the financial resources of the Presbytery, consider a variety of funding models, and develop a strategy for the use of our resources to support our congregations as they seek to bear witness to the sovereign activity of God in the world and serve as communities of faith, hope, love, and witness.

**The Presbytery Council met by Zoom Videoconference November 12, 2024**

- Acting as a Commission of Presbytery, appointed Susan McGhee as Moderator of Session for Scipio Presbyterian Church
- Acting as a Commission of Presbytery, authorized the Committee on Ministry Leadership (COM Moderator(s), Executive Presbyter, and Stated Clerk) to respond to vacancies in the position of moderator of session by appointing a moderator of session pro tempore to serve until a new moderator is identified, elected, and deployed.
- Transfer the \$23,876.36 remaining in the “Synod Transformation Grant” to a new holdover account “Small Church Connections, Governance, and Mission,” to provide resources – including the use of contract staff – to help strengthen the connection between the presbytery and its smaller congregations, particularly those being served by an outside moderator of session.

**For Presbytery Action:**

1. That the Presbytery of Ohio Valley celebrate the ministry and legacy of the South Side Presbyterian Church
2. That the Presbytery of Ohio Valley approve the attached budget for 2025

**Resolution for the Dissolution of the  
South Side Presbyterian Church, Vincennes,  
Indiana, by the Presbytery of Ohio Valley**

**WHEREAS**, the Session of the South Side Presbyterian Church, Vincennes, Indiana, in a called meeting with Executive Presbyter Susan McGhee on August 3, 2024, requested that the Presbytery of Ohio Valley work with it to bring about the dissolution of the Congregation, effective September 1, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, the Congregation, at a duly called meeting on August 11, 2024, voted unanimously to concur with the Session's request; and

**WHEREAS**, the following persons have each indicated willingness to serve if so appointed to an administrative commission for the South Side Presbyterian Church: Ruling Elder Jean Brown, the Rev. David Crittenden, the Rev. Alan Finnan, and Ruling Elder William Henderson; and

**WHEREAS**, William Henderson has indicated his willingness to serve as Moderator and Alan Finnan has indicated his willingness to serve as Vice-Moderator of the administrative commission:

Now, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Presbytery of Ohio Valley, by means of its Presbytery Council, dissolve the Congregation of the South Side Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), Vincennes, Indiana, effective September 1, 2024, with gratitude for its faithful ministry as a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.); and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the following persons be appointed to serve as the Administrative Commission for the South Side Presbyterian Church: Ruling Elder William Henderson (Moderator), the Rev. Alan Finnan (Vice-Moderator), Ruling Elder Jean Brown, and the Rev. David Crittenden; and given the authority to work with the Officers of the Presbytery

1. to act on all matters pertaining to the dissolution of the Congregation,
2. to act on all matters pertaining the disposition of property and other assets,
3. to assist in matters pertaining to the dissolution of the South Side Presbyterian Church, Inc., and
4. to make regular reports to the Presbytery Council and a final report to the Presbytery; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Presbytery of Ohio Valley offer prayers for the former members of the South Side Presbyterian Church as they continue in Christian witness, service, and fellowship in other congregations.

Adopted this 15<sup>th</sup> Day of August, 2024, by the Presbytery of Ohio Valley, through its Presbytery Council.  
Attest:

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Susan C. McGhee  
Moderator, Presbytery Council  
Executive Presbyter, Presbytery of Ohio Valley  
C.E.O., Presbytery of Ohio Valley, Inc.

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E. Joseph Kimmel, Jr.  
Stated Clerk, Presbytery of Ohio Valley  
Secretary, Presbytery of Ohio Valley, Inc.

Presbytery of Ohio Valley  
Proposed Budget Summary  
January 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025

Description	Proposed 2025 Budget	Change From 2024 Budget	Per Capita	Mission	2024 Budget
<b>INCOME</b>					
Income From All Sources	\$ 432,265	\$ 4,175	\$ 237,765	\$ 194,500	\$ 428,090
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 432,265</b>	<b>\$ 4,175</b>	<b>\$ 237,765</b>	<b>\$ 194,500</b>	<b>\$ 428,090</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>					
Staff and Office Expense	\$ 322,171	\$ 342	\$ 165,359	\$ 156,813	\$ 321,829
Other Administrative Costs	\$ 76,532	\$ 4,942	\$ 76,532	\$ -	\$ 71,590
Meetings & Committees	\$ 5,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 3,625	\$ 1,375	\$ 4,000
Presbytery Programs	\$ 32,500	\$ 500	\$ 3,000	\$ 29,500	\$ 32,000
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 436,203</b>	<b>\$ 6,784</b>	<b>\$ 248,516</b>	<b>\$ 187,688</b>	<b>\$ 429,419</b>
<b>SURPLUS (GAP)</b>	<b>\$ (3,938)</b>	<b>\$ (2,609)</b>	<b>\$ (10,751)</b>	<b>\$ 6,812</b>	<b>\$ (1,329)</b>
<b>Per Capita</b>	<b>\$ 55.00</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>			<b>\$ 55.00</b>

**Presbytery of Ohio Valley**  
**Proposed Budget**  
**January 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025**

	<b>Proposed 2025 Budget</b>	<b>Change From '24 Budget</b>	<b>Per Capita</b>	<b>Mission</b>	<b>2024 Budget</b>	<b>Comment on Changes</b>
<b>INCOME</b>						
Per Capita Giving	237,765	(825)	237,765	-	238,590	Approved by Assembly
Shared Giving from Churches	85,000	-	-	85,000	85,000	
Undesignated Funds Including Int. & Div.	17,000	5,000	-	17,000	12,000	Based on projected increase in unrealized earn
First Vincennes Mineral Rights Proceeds	5,000	-	-	5,000	5,000	
Legacy Funds	70,000	-	-	70,000	70,000	
Returned Reimbursements	500	-	-	500	500	
Individual Contributions	15,000	-	-	15,000	15,000	
Assembly Offerings	2,000	-	-	2,000	2,000	
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>432,265</b>	<b>4,175</b>	<b>237,765</b>	<b>194,500</b>	<b>428,090</b>	
<b>EXPENSES</b>						
<b>Staff, Office, &amp; Administrative</b>						
EP Salary & Housing	106,801	4,108	53,401	53,401	102,693	Recommended by Personnel
EP Benefits	27,697	(9,640)	13,849	13,848	37,337	Based on health insurance savings
EP Continuing Education	5,000	-	2,500	2,500	5,000	
EP Professional Expense	3,000	-	1,500	1,500	3,000	
EP Travel	15,000	-	7,500	7,500	15,000	
Stated Clerk Salary & Housing	20,234	778	20,234	-	19,456	Recommended by Personnel
Stated Clerk Cont Ed	1,200	-	1,200	-	1,200	
Stated Clerk Professional Expenses	750	-	750	-	750	
Stated Clerk Travel	3,000	-	3,000	-	3,000	
Contract Staff	7,500	-	-	7,500	7,500	
Consulting & Coaching	8,500	-	-	8,500	8,500	
Administrative Associates Salary & Benefits	58,408	2,246	29,204	29,204	56,162	Recommended by Personnel
Treasurer Salary	14,923	574	14,923	-	14,349	Recommended by Personnel
Treasurer Travel	1,000	-	1,000	-	1,000	
Payroll Tax Expense	7,158	276	5,798	1,360	6,882	Based on Salaries
Office & Administrative Expense	42,000	2,000	10,500	31,500	40,000	Based on activity and current costs
<b>Total Staff and Office Expense</b>	<b>322,171</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>165,359</b>	<b>156,813</b>	<b>321,829</b>	
<b>Ecclesiastical Expenses</b>						
GA Expense	-	(250)	-	-	250	No GA in 2025
Moderator's Expense	750	-	750	-	750	
Insurance	5,000	500	5,000	-	4,500	Based on projected insurance cost increases
GA Per Capita	46,861	4,349	46,861	-	42,512	Per GA
Synod Per Capita	16,471	(57)	16,471	-	16,528	Per Synod

Permanent Judicial Commission	500	-	500		500	
Commissions	750	-	750		750	
Outside Accounting Services	6,200	400	6,200		5,800	Based on activity and current costs
<b>Total Other Administrative Costs</b>	<b>76,532</b>	<b>4,942</b>	<b>76,532</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>71,590</b>	
<b>Presbytery Meetings &amp; Committees</b>						
Presbytery Assembly	2,000	-	2,000	-	2,000	
Council	750	-	375	375	750	
Preparation for Ministry	500	-	500		500	
Committee on Ministry	750	-	750		750	
Mission & Witness Resource Committee	750	750		750	-	New committee
Stewardship	250	250		250	-	Based on projected needs
Nominating Committee	-	-	-	-	-	
Trustees	-	-	-	-	-	
<b>Total Meetings &amp; Committees</b>	<b>5,000</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>3,625</b>	<b>1,375</b>	<b>4,000</b>	
<b>Presbytery Programs</b>						
Council Program Expenses	1,500	-	-	1,500	1,500	
CPM Program Expenses	1,500	-	1,500		1,500	
COM Program Expenses	2,500	-	1,500	1,000	2,500	
Resource Center Purchases	250	-	-	250	250	
Mission & Witness Resource Committee	500	500	-	500	-	New committee
Stewardship	250	-	-	250	250	
Clergy Career Development & C/E						
Scholarships	2,000	-	-	2,000	2,000	
Camp Pyoca	24,000	-	-	24,000	24,000	
<b>Total Presbytery Program</b>	<b>32,500</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>29,500</b>	<b>32,000</b>	

**Presbytery of Ohio Valley**  
**Per Capita Calculations**  
**January 1, 2025- December 31, 2025**

<b>Description</b>	<b>2025 Per Capita</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>2024 Per Capita</b>
<b>Per Capita Amounts</b>			
Presbytery - Base 2024 Amount, increased by unpaid per capita	\$ 41.39	\$ 3.88	\$ 37.51
Partial Increase due to lost membership and unpaid per capita	\$ (1.04)	\$ (4.92)	\$ 3.88
Synod	\$ 3.81	\$ -	\$ 3.81
General Assembly	\$ 10.84	\$ 1.04	\$ 9.80
<b>Total Per Capita</b>	<b>\$ 55.00</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$ 55.00</b>
<b>POV Members</b>	<b>\$ 4,323</b>	<b>\$ (15)</b>	<b>\$ 4,338</b>
<b>Income from Per Capita</b>	<b>\$ 237,765</b>	<b>\$ (825)</b>	<b>\$ 238,590</b>
<b>Per Capita Expense</b>	<b>\$ 248,516</b>	<b>\$ (1,645)</b>	<b>\$ 250,162</b>
<b>Surplus (GAP)</b>	<b>\$ (10,751)</b>	<b>\$ 820</b>	<b>\$ (11,572)</b>

Note: In 2023, 17 churches failed to pay all or part of their Per Capita.  
 Unpaid Per Capita raises the Per Capita expense for all the other churches in the Presbytery.  
 For 2025, the effect of unpaid Per Capita has been projected as part of the budget process.

## **Committee on Ministry Report**

The Rev. Alan Finnan and the Rev. Cindy Cushman, Co-Moderators

Summary of COM actions, **July 31, 2024**, through **November 12, 2024**.

### **FOR INFORMATION**

At the **October 8, 2024**, meeting, the Committee on Ministry took the following action:

1. Approved the following pastoral agreements:

a. **Hanover Presbyterian Church of Hanover and the Rev. Roger Veliquette** serving as transitional pastor

Period	Hrs./wk	Salary	Housing	Auto Mi.	Study L	Pd.Vac	Cont.Ed.	Pension
09/12/2024 to 09/11/2025	Full time	\$36,784	\$20,000	Vch.IRS rate	2 weeks incl. 2 Sundays	1 month incl. 4 Sundays	\$2,000	Yes

b. **Patoka Presbyterian Church of Patoka and the Rev. William Morris** serving as ecumenical supply

Period	Hrs./wk	Salary	Housing	Auto Mi.	Study L	Pd.Vac	Cont.Ed.	Pension
01/01/2025 to 12/31/2025	Part time – approx. 10hrs/wk	N/A	\$12,556	Vch.IRS rate – est. \$5,000	2 weeks incl. 2 Sundays	1 month incl. 4 Sundays	\$1,200	No

At the **November 12, 2024**, meeting, the Committee on Ministry took the following action:

1. Approved the following pastoral agreement:

a. **First Presbyterian Church of Seymour and the Rev. Jose Luis Casal** serving as stated supply pastor

Period	Hrs./wk	Salary	Housing	Auto Mi.	Study L	Pd.Vac	Cont.Ed.	Pension
11/15/2024 to 11/14/2025	Part time – approx. 15-19 hrs/wk	\$2,600/ month*	N/A	Vch.IRS rate	2 weeks incl. 2 Sundays	1 month incl. 4 Sundays	\$1,200	No

\*includes housing

2. Took the following actions regarding **Ruling Elder Ron Strohe**:

- a. Received a report from the Committee on Preparation for Ministry that Ruling Elder Ron Strohe has satisfied the requirements of G-2.1002 to be certified to receive a commission to particular pastoral service
- b. Received a request from the Session of the Spencer Presbyterian Church, that he be commissioned to particular pastoral service in and for that congregation.
- c. Approved the match between Elder Strohe and the Spencer Presbyterian Church, and agreed to present him to the Presbytery of Ohio Valley at its November 21 Assembly for examination and commissioning (if the way be clear)

## FOR ACTION

1. That Ruling Elder Ron Strohe be examined by the Presbytery of Ohio Valley and commissioned to particular pastoral service in and for the Spencer Presbyterian Church, Spencer, Indiana.

### Ron Strohe Statement of Faith

I believe that there is only one God, but three persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. That God created the heavens and the earth and all living things, seen and unseen.

Jesus Christ, God's only begotten Son, born of the Virgin Mary. That Jesus Christ suffered and died for my sins and the sins of all mankind. After three days He rose from the grave, giving eternal life to all who believe in Him. That He ascended to Heaven and sits on the right hand of God, our Father. He will return to take all who believe in Him, to be with Him eternally.

That the Holy Spirit, was given to us upon our confession of Jesus Christ, as our Savior. The Holy Spirit which resides in every believer, guides, counsels, and speaks to us, according to the Father's Will.

I believe that all Scripture is the inspired Word of God. That by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, men wrote the words spoken to them. Scripture is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training people into leading a righteous life before God.

The church is the body of Jesus Christ and He is the head of the church. Taking the Gospel of Jesus Christ into the world is the church's mission. The church is not a building but each member is the church, the body of Christ.

I believe that through the Sacraments we come to a oneness with God. As in the Sacrament of Baptism, we receive the redeeming Grace of God. In baptism we are made one with Jesus Christ, leading to a new life.

The Lord's Supper provides God's grace to all believers. We are reminded of the great sacrifice Jesus endured for all mankind. The bread and juice are elements that represent the body of Jesus broken for us and the juice represents His blood shed for us. This for our sake so that we can be made righteous and Holy before God.

Even though marriage is considered a covenant, I believe it is an important part of the church. For marriage is the gift from God in developing a family. It involves a loving commitment in front of God and witnesses. Traditionally this relationship is between a man and woman, this union creates the family which is the core to our society.

## **Report of the Nominating Committee**

The Rev. Deborah Fortel, Moderator

\*denotes second term

### **Part One: Service to the Presbytery of Ohio Valley**

**Presbytery Moderator:** Rev. Wendy VanderZee

**Presbytery Vice Moderator:** Elder Jim Exline (First, Sullivan)

#### **Presbytery Council At-Large Members:**

**Class of 2025:** Rev. Karen McDonald Smith \*

**Class of 2027:** Elder Gayle Henderson (First, Mt. Vernon)

#### **Board of Trustees:**

**President:** Rev. David Crittenden

**Class of 2026:** Elder Jane Gore (Brown County Presbyterian Fellowship, Nashville)

**Class of 2027:** Elder William Henderson (First, Mt. Vernon)

#### **Committee on Ministry:**

**Co-Moderators:** Rev. Alan Finnan  
Rev. Cindy Cushman

**Class of 2027:** Rev. Karen McDonald Smith \*  
Elder Mary McClellan (First, Bloomington)  
Rev. Karen VanderPloeg  
Rev. Cindy Cushman \*

#### **Committee on Preparation for Ministry:**

**Moderator:** Elder Gary Crow (First, Bloomington)

**Vice-Moderator:** Elder Deborah Prince (St. John, New Albany)

**Class of 2025:** Elder Deborah Prince (St. John, New Albany) \*

**Class of 2026:** Elder Zack Ellison (First, Columbus)  
Rev. Molly Atkinson

**Class of 2027:** Elder Alejandra Haddad (United, Bloomington)  
Rev. Susan Trigger

#### **Stewardship Committee:**

**Moderator:** Elder Janet Huber Lowry (Hanover)

**Class of 2025:** Rev. Jerusha Van Camp

**Class of 2026:** Elder Rob Henson (First, Evansville)

**Class of 2027:** Elder Janet Huber Lowry (Hanover)

**Mission and Witness Resource Committee:**

- Moderator:** Elder Beth Snyder (First, Jeffersonville)
- Class of 2025:** Rev. Dawn Black  
Rev. James Blankenbeker
- Class of 2026:** Elder Charles Eckert (Corydon)  
Rev. Elizabeth Kirkpatrick
- Class of 2027:** Elder Beth Snyder (First, Jeffersonville)  
Rev. Hana Elliott

**Permanent Judicial Commission:**

- Class of 2027:** Rev. Catherine Knott (already elected - realignment of class)  
Elder Kay Williams (already elected - realignment of class)
- Class of 2028:** Rev. Jeff Howard  
Elder Mark Hassler (First, Brazil)
- Class of 2030:** Elder Luther Pierson (First, Columbus)  
Elder Karen Goodwell (St. John, New Albany)

**Personnel Committee Moderator:**

- Class of 2027:** Rev. Scott Seay
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**Part Two: Service to the Larger Church**

**Commissioner to the Synod of Lincoln Trails Class of 2027**

- Minister Principal:** Rev. Susan Moorefield

**Nominees to the Pyoca Board of Directors (for its election):**

- Class of 2027:** Elder Becky Herald (First, Jeffersonville)  
Elder Jim Railing (First, Scottsburg)

## 2024 PRESBYTERY PRAYER PARTNERS

The Presbytery of Ohio Valley encourages all our congregations to pray for each other over a two-year span. Sharing prayers with each other works! Here’s how you can help:

By the tenth of the month preceding the month for your church (i.e., by January 10 for churches listed for February), please send a paragraph or two telling a little about your church or organization – size and activities, location and neighborhood, special programs, history, and anything else that would help others in the presbytery get a better sense of who and where you are. Also send us any joys you’d like to share or prayer requests for your church activities or programs. **If your church is in a parish, we’d also appreciate information on the benefits you feel parish membership has brought to the parish churches.**

Email your information to [office@presbyteryov.org](mailto:office@presbyteryov.org). Call 866-344-7853 for more information.

November 3	Community, Leavenworth	December 1	Madison
November 10	Presbytery of Ohio Valley Staff	December 8	Hanover College
November 17	Lexington	December 15	POV Chaplains and others in Specialized Ministries
November 24	Livonia	December 22	4 <sup>th</sup> Advent (Christmas anticipated)
		December 29	Peace on Earth