The Presbytery of Ohio Valley Docket for Assembly: May 22, 2025 Pyoca Camp & Retreat Center The Rev. Wendy VanderZee, Moderator Elder Jim Exline, Vice Moderator The Rev. Susan McGhee, Temporary Stated Clerk 10:00am ET/9:00am CT

Declaration of Quorum

Call to Order and Opening Prayer: The Rev. Wendy VanderZee

Opening Worship and Proclamation of the Word: Elder Rob Henson, Commissioned Pastor

Introductory Business Welcome Introduction of New Members Seating of Corresponding Members Consent Agenda: Minutes of 02.08.25 Assembly; Docket; Stated Clerk's Report; Treasurer's Report

Greetings from Pyoca Camp and Retreat Center: Mr. Mike Davis and Elder Karen Goodwell Commissioning Summer Staff

Report of the Presbytery Council: The Rev. Susan McGhee For Presbytery Recognition: Dissolution of Scipio Presbyterian Church Presbyterian Youth Triennium Consideration of Proposed Amendments to the <u>Book of Order</u> Consideration of Proposed Episcopal-Presbyterian Agreement on Local Sharing of Ministries

Report of the Committee on Ministry: The Rev. Cindy Cushman and the Rev. Alan Finnan For Presbytery Action and Recognition: Retirement of the Rev. Mark McDaniel For Presbytery Information: Policy for the Election of Pastors Emerit

Report of the Mission and Witness Resource Committee: Elder Beth Snyder

Order of the Day Following Lunch: Presentation from the Rev. Sarah McKinney: "How congregations can be inclusive spaces for people with disabilities and neurodiversity"

Speak Out Session

Report of Voting on Proposed Amendments and Episcopal-Presbyterian Agreement

New Business

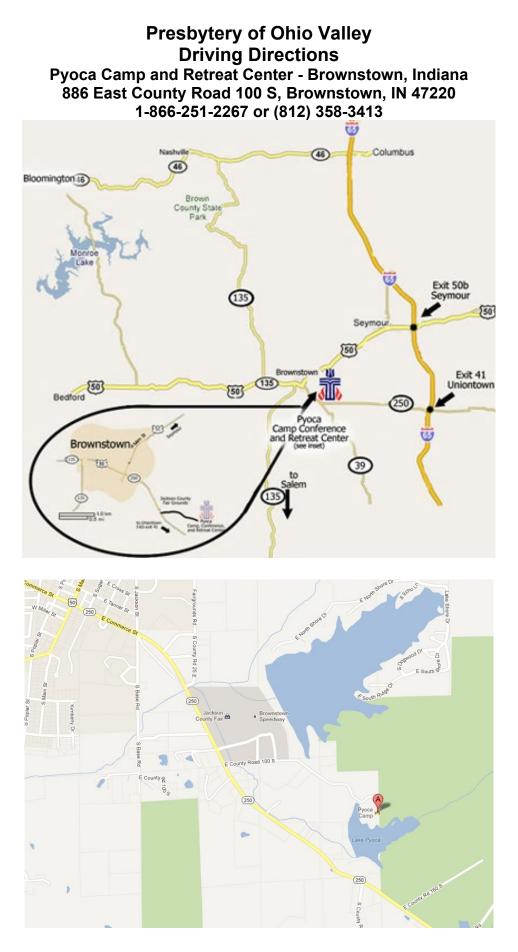
Prayers of the Presbytery

Necrology

Invitation to the Offering

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Adjournment with Closing Litany



Presbytery of Ohio Valley Driving Directions Pyoca Camp and Retreat Center - Brownstown, Indiana 886 East County Road 100 S, Brownstown, IN 47220 1-866-251-2267 or (812) 358-3413

For a map image of the location, use a web browser to navigate to the <u>POV Churches</u> page and click on the map image, then choose Pyoca from the list.

As a courtesy, the Presbytery attempts to provide driving directions and parking information (when known) to all the members attending the Assembly.

Due to the size of the presbytery, we are unable to include all possible routes to the meeting. The directions we provide begin with major routes into the city/town where the assembly will be held, and include more detailed directions regarding the streets closer to the meeting site. Please use an online source or printed map to find the way from your starting point to the place where these directions begin. The POV website has all church locations marked on Google Maps to assist you.

There may be construction or detours that would affect normal routes of travel. To be prepared for this possibility, it is wise to have a map, Google map printout, or GPS navigation available, just in case. You can also check the Indiana Department of Transportation website for Road Restrictions and Closures: <u>https://www.in.gov/indot/travel-conditions/restrictionsclosings/</u>

Pyoca is located in Brownstown, Indiana, approximately 15 miles west of Seymour, IN.

For those traveling on I-65:

- Take US 50 exit west at Seymour.
- Travel west approximately 15 miles on US 50 to Brownstown and turn left (south) on 250.
- Go one mile, and then turn left at the Pyoca sign, immediately past the Jackson County Fairgrounds.
- Continue to follow the drive until you come to the main lodge.

For those traveling east on U.S. 50:

- Upon entering Brownstown, go straight at the red light (where U.S. 50 turns left) You will now be on 250.
- Continue for one mile, and then turn left at the Pyoca sign, immediately past the Jackson County Fairgrounds.
- Continue to follow the drive until you come to the main lodge.

Stated Clerk's Report

Elder Joe Kimmel

A. Teaching Elder Changes since August Assembly:

Ministers Received:

1. Jose Luis Casal – Transylvania Presbytery – 11/15/2024 (not previously listed) Ministers Dismissed:

- 1. Cheryl Thorne Albany Presbytery 09/14/2024 (not previously listed)
- 2. Anna von Winckler Winnebago Presbytery 03/24/2025
- Minister Deaths:

None.

Founded	Anniversary						
08/21/1825	200						
03/04/1820	205						
05/22/1830	195						
11/19/1815	210						
01/23/1855	170						
12/05/1885	140						
04/17/2005	20						
09/10/1825	200						
11/22/1890	135						
04/29/1855	170						
02/27/1870	155						
03/16/2000	25						
01/01/1825	200						
	Founded 08/21/1825 03/04/1820 05/22/1830 11/19/1815 01/23/1855 12/05/1885 04/17/2005 09/10/1825 11/22/1890 04/29/1855 02/27/1870 03/16/2000						

B. Churches with Significant Anniversaries in 2025:

- C. Clerk of Session Training: I only have rumors that some churches are interested in some training be provided for Clerks of Session or Session members. I have only had one (1) church express interest in training for Clerks of Session or Session members. I ask that Session Clerks email me and let me know if they have any interest. Can be scheduled this summer. My email address is joe@presbyteryov.org
- D. Quarterly Business Entity Reminder: Clerks of each Session complete/update their Church's Business Entity Reports with the Indiana Secretary of States 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: <u>https://bsd.sos.in.gov/publicbusinesssearch</u>

E. Assembly Dates for 2025:

- Saturday, August 23, 2025 (First, Martinsville)
- Thursday, November 2, 2025 (likely by Zoom)

Treasurer's Report

Jean Brown

Presbytery of Ohio Valley, Inc. Condensed Statement of Revenues and Expenses (Actual vs Budget) January 1, 2025 through March 31, 2025

	Jan -Mar 2025			Annual	% of
		Actual		Budget	Budget
Revenue					
Per Capita	\$	89,214	\$	237,765	38%
Shared Giving (Unified Mission)	Ψ	13,654	Ψ	85,000	16%
Contributions		1,721		17,500	10%
Unrestricted Invest Inc & Trans		4,250		17,000	25%
Restricted Invest Inc & Trans		18,750		75,000	25%
		127,590		432,265	30%
Expense					
Staff Expense		69,111		280,171	25%
Ecclesiastical Expense		1,098		76,532	1%
Meeting Expense		650		5,000	13%
Administration & Office Expense		10,868		42,000	26%
Program Expense		6,549		32,500	20%
Total Expense		88,275		436,203	20%
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	\$	39,314	\$	(3,938)	
Fund Balances					
As of March 31, 2025					
Church Legacy Funds				979,992	
Monroe City Fund				115,071	
Charlie Pye Fund for Excellence in Minis	stry			96,460	
Restricted Funds (Specific Use)	-			32,706	
Undesignated Net Assets				1,448,421	
			\$	2,672,650	

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

2025 Per Capita	55		2025	Received	0/
		Members	2025 Per Capita	as of 4/30/2025	% Paid
Bedford	First	87			20.9%
Bloomfield		87 50	4,785	1,000	20.9% 100.0%
	First First		2,750	2,750	
Bloomington		332 47	18,260	4,565	25.0%
Bloomington	United		2,585	2.050	0.0%
Boonville	Hemenway Memorial	70	3,850	3,850	100.0%
Brazil	First	140	7,700	3,011	39.1%
Brownstown	Brownstown	31	1,705	1,705	100.0%
Canaan	Jefferson	6	330	4 400	0.0%
Cayuga	Cayuga	20	1,100	1,100	100.0%
Central	Valley City	14	770	4 4 0 0	0.0%
Charlestown	Community	20	1,100	1,100	100.0%
Clinton	United	34	1,870	4 505	0.0%
Columbus	Fairlawn	83	4,565	4,565	100.0%
Columbus	First	434	23,870	23,870	100.0%
Corydon	Corydon	69	3,795	4 005	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		0.0%
Evansville	First	282	15,510	5,170	33.3%
Evansville	First Avenue	32	1,760		0.0%
Farmersburg	First	9	495	495	100.0%
Fort Branch	First	53	2,915		0.0%
Greencastle	Greencastle	103	5,665	2,805	49.5%
Hanover	Hanover	45	2,475	2,475	100.0%
Henryville	Community	31	1,705	1,705	100.0%
Henryville	Mount Lebanon	19	1,045	1,045	100.0%
Jeffersonville	First	155	8,525	2,131	25.0%
Laconia	Rehoboth	48	2,640	2,640	100.0%
Laconia	United	13	715	715	100.0%
Leavenworth	Community	40	2,200		0.0%
Lexington	Lexington	68	3,740	3,740	100.0%
Livonia	United	32	1,870	1,760	94.1%
Madison	Madison	120	6,600		0.0%
Madison	Smyrna-Monroe	5	275	275	100.0%
Martinsville	First	62	3,410	3,190	93.5%
Mitchell	Mitchell	43	2,365		0.0%
Montezuma	First	12	660	660	100.0%
Mount Vernon	First	45	2,475	2,475	100.0%
Nabb	Nabb	11	605	605	100.0%
Nashville	Brn County Fellowship	45	2,475	2,475	100.0%
New Albany	Mount Tabor	74	4,070	4,070	100.0%
New Albany	St. John United	162	8,910		0.0%
New Washington	Trinity United	15	825		0.0%
North Vernon	Graham	16	880	880	100.0%
Paoli	First	42	2,310		0.0%
Patoka	Patoka	28	1,540	1,540	100.0%
Patoka	Union Bethel	10	550	550	100.0%
Petersburg	Main Street	48	2,640	2,640	100.0%
Princeton	Fairview	44	2,420	2,420	100.0%
Princeton	Princeton	67	3,685		0.0%

2025 Per Capita	55			Received	
			2025	as of	%
		Members	Per Capita	4/30/2025	Paid
Roachdale	Roachdale	27	1,485		0.0%
Rockville	Memorial	10	550	550	100.0%
Salem	Salem	40	2,200		0.0%
Scipio	Scipio	18	990		0.0%
Scottsburg	First	36	1,980	1,980	100.0%
Seymour	First	103	5,665		0.0%
Spencer	Spencer	63	3,465		0.0%
Sullivan	First	52	2,860		0.0%
Terre Haute	Central	178	9,790	9,790	100.0%
Terre Haute	Unity	50	2,750	1,000	36.4%
Vernon	Vernon	7	385		0.0%
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	385	100.0%
Vincennes	Upper Indiana	57	3,135	1,540	49.1%
Washington	Westminster	53	2,915	729	25.0%
		4,323	\$ 237,875	\$ 116,576	49.0%

			Received as of April 30, 20			2025	
		Pledged	GA	Synod	POV	Total	
Bedford	First					0	
Bloomfield	First		210	35	455	700	
Bloomington	First				900	900	
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					0	
Columbus	First		5,282	547	7,111	12,939	
Corydon	Corydon		0,202	011	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	0	
Dale	Dale					0	
Elizabeth	Church of the Covenant					0	
Evansville	Eastminster					0	
Evansville	First		258	43	559	860	
Evansville	First Avenue		200	40	000	000	
Farmersburg	First					0	
Fort Branch	First					0	
Greencastle	Greencastle					0	
Hanover	Hanover		550	250	1,200	2,000	
Henryville	Community		550	250	1,200	2,000	
Henryville	Mount Lebanon					0	
Jeffersonville	First		300	100	1,100	1,500	
Laconia	Rehoboth		300	100	1,100	1,500	
Laconia	United		353	99	452	904	
Laconia			303	99	452		
	Community					0	
Lexington	Lexington United					0	
Livonia Madison	Madison					0	
Madison						0	
Martinsville	Smyrna-Monroe					0	
	First					0	
Mitchell	Mitchell		450	05	205	0	
Montezuma	First		150	25	325	500	
Mount Vernon	First		00	-	05	0	
Nabb	Nabb		30	5	65	100	
Nashville	Brn County Fellowship					0	
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					0	

			Received as of April 30, 2025			
		Pledged	GA	Synod	POV	Total
Princeton	Fairview					0
Princeton	Princeton					0
Roachdale	Roachdale					0
Rockville	Memorial					0
Salem	Salem					0
Scipio	Scipio					0
Scottsburg	First		50	25	500	575
Seymour	First					0
Spencer	Spencer					0
Sullivan	First					0
Terre Haute	Central		1,550	550	2,500	4,600
Terre Haute	Unity					0
Vernon	Vernon					0
Vevay	Caledonia					0
Vincennes	Bethany					0
Vincennes	Indiana					0
Vincennes	South Side					0
Vincennes	Upper Indiana					0
Washington	Westminster		720	120	1,560	2,400
		0	9,452	1,799	16,727	27,978

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	Jan -Dec 2024			Annual	% of
		Actual		Budget	Budget
Revenue					
Per Capita	\$	217,368	\$	238,590	91%
Shared Giving (Unified Mission)	•	82,147	r	85,000	97%
Contributions		4,458		17,500	25%
Unrestricted Invest Inc & Trans		12,000		12,000	100%
Restricted Invest Inc & Trans		75,000		75,000	100%
		390,972		428,090	91%
Expense					
Staff Expense		298,644		281,829	106%
Ecclesiastical Expense		72,199		71,590	101%
Meeting Expense		3,845		4,000	96%
Administration & Office Expense		42,836		40,000	107%
Program Expense		26,742		32,000	84%
Total Expense		444,266		429,419	103%
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	\$	(53,294)	\$	(1,329)	
Fund Balances					
As of December 31, 2024					
Church Legacy Funds				1,004,742	
Monroe City Fund				115,071	
Charlie Pye Fund for Excellence in Minis	stry			97,610	
Restricted Funds (Specific Use)	-			32,706	

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Undesignated Net Assets

2024 Per Capita	55		Received				
			2024	as of	%		
		Members	Per Capita	12/31/2024	Paid		
Bedford	First	87	4,785	4,785	100.0%		
Bloomfield	First	53	2,915	2,915	100.0%		

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2024 Per Capita	55		0004	Received	0/
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Diamater		Members	Per Capita	12/31/2024	Paid
Bloomington	First	319	17,545	17,545	100.0%
Bloomington	United	48 78	2,640	2,640	100.0%
Boonville	Hemenway Memorial		4,290	4,290	100.0%
Brazil	First	219	12,045	9,034	75.0%
Brownstown	Brownstown	32	1,760	1,760	100.0%
Canaan	Jefferson	6	330	1 100	0.0%
Cayuga Central	Cayuga Vallay City	20 14	1,100 770	1,100 770	100.0%
	Valley City	20	1,100		100.0% 100.0%
Charlestown	Community United	20 34	1,870	1,100	
Clinton	Fairlawn	34 79		1,870	100.0%
Columbus Columbus	First	434	4,345 23,870	4,345 23,870	100.0% 100.0%
		434 72			100.0%
Corydon Dale	Corydon Dale	35	3,960 1,925	3,960 1,925	100.0%
Elizabeth	Church of the Covenant	28	1,540	1,540	100.0%
Evansville	Eastminster	232		6,125	48.0%
Evansville	First	232	12,760 16,115	16,115	40.0% 100.0%
Evansville	First Avenue	32	1,760	10,115	0.0%
Farmersburg	First	32 12	660	660	100.0%
Fort Branch	First	53	2,915	84	2.9%
Greencastle	Greencastle	102	5,610	5,610	2.9%
Hanover	Hanover	49	2,695	2,695	100.0%
	Community	49 32	1,760	1,760	100.0%
Henryville 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	2,383	100.0%
Leavenworth	Community	40	2,200	715	0.0%
Lexington	Lexington	69	3,795	3,795	100.0%
Livonia	United	34	1,870	1,870	100.0%
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	0,100	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	2,310	100.0%
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%
Rockville	Memorial	8	440	440	100.0%
Salem	Salem	43	2,365	2,365	100.0%
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2024 Per Capita	55		2024	Received as of	%
		Members	Per Capita	12/31/2024	Paid
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	385	100.0%
Vincennes	Upper Indiana	56	3,080	3,080	100.0%
Washington	Westminster	56	3,080	3,080	100.0%
		4,500	\$ 247,500	\$ 218,368	88.2%

			Received as of December 31,			, 2024
		Pledged	GA	Synod	POV	Total
Bedford	First					0
Bloomfield	First		210	35	455	700
Bloomington	First				3,600	3,600
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		225	37	488	750
Columbus	Fairlawn		473	158	945	1,575
Columbus	First		15,245	1,541	20,032	36,818
Corydon	Corydon		10,210	1,011	20,002	00,010
Dale	Dale					0
Elizabeth	Church of the Covenant					0
Evansville	Eastminster					0
Evansville	First		1,800	400	3,800	6,000
Evansville	First Avenue		1,000	400	0,000	0,000
Farmersburg	First					0
Fort Branch	First					0
Greencastle	Greencastle					0
Hanover	Hanover		550	250	1,200	2,000
Henryville	Community		550	250	1,200	2,000
Henryville	Mount Lebanon					0
Jeffersonville	First		1,100	400	4,500	6,000
Laconia	Rehoboth		1,100	400 25	4,300	500
			150	20	325	
Laconia Leavenworth						0
	Community					0 0
Lexington	Lexington		1 500	400	1 000	-
Livonia	United		1,500	423	1,923	3,845
Madison	Madison		150	25	325	500
Madison	Smyrna-Monroe		90	15	195	300
Martinsville	First Mitchell					0
Mitchell	Mitchell		150	25	205	0
Montezuma	First		150	25	325	500
Mount Vernon	First		600	100	1,300	2,000
Nabb	Nabb		30	5	65	100
Nashville	Brn County Fellowship		1,500	250	3,250	5,000
New Albany	Mount Tabor				050	0
New Albany	St. John United		300	50	650	1,000
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

			Received as of December 31, 2024				
		Pledged	GA	Synod	POV	Total	
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		5,850	1,650	7,500	15,000	
Terre Haute	Unity					0	
Vernon	Vernon		195	55	250	500	
Vevay	Caledonia					0	
Vincennes	Bethany				16,644	16,644	
Vincennes	Indiana					0	
Vincennes	South Side				5,775	5,775	
Vincennes	Upper Indiana					0	
Washington	Westminster		2,160	390	4,650	7,200	
		0	33,377	6,083	82,147	121,608	

Report of the Presbytery Council

The Rev. Susan McGhee, Moderator

For Presbytery's Information

The Presbytery Council conducted an electronic vote March 10, 2025, and took the following action: Acting as a Commission of Presbytery, appointed the Rev. James Blankenbeker to serve as moderator of session for First Presbyterian Church, Seymour, effective April 1, 2025.

The Presbytery Council met April 1, 2025, by videoconference and took the following actions:

- 1. Acting as a Commission of Presbytery, elected Ruling Elder Deborah Prince to serve as Moderator of the Committee on Preparation for Ministry
- 2. Acting as a Commission of Presbytery, appointed the Rev. Susan McGhee to serve as Temporary Stated Clerk during Joe Kimmel's vacation, May 12 29.
- 3. Approved a request from the Mission and Witness Resource Committee to offer a \$75 gift to congregations participating in the committee's mission survey (to be used at the Session's discretion for congregational mission)
- 4. Acting as a Commission of Presbytery, appointed the Rev. Catherine Knott to serve as Moderator of Session for Hanover Presbyterian Church, effective April 21, 2025.
- **5.** Approved a recommendation from the Mission and Witness Resource Committee to make a Monroe City Grant of \$7,500 to First Presbyterian Church, Seymour for its diaper ministry.

The Presbytery Council conducted an electronic vote April 23, 2025, and took the following action: Acting as a Commission of Presbytery, adopted the attached resolution to dissolve the Congregation of the Scipio Presbyterian Church, effective May 23, 2025, and appoint an Administrative Commission of David Crittenden, Mary McClellan, and Karen McDonald Smith.

The Presbytery Council met May 13, 2025, by videoconference and took the following actions:

- Acting as a Commission of the Presbytery, confirmed the appointments of Session Moderators Central, Terre Haute – Alan Finnan, effective May 15, 2025 First, Sullivan – Alan Finnan, effective June 1, 2025
- 2. Considered a request from a minister member that he be allowed to sell copies of his recent book at the Assembly. After careful consideration, the Council decided not to set a precedent in allowing books to be sold. Members are free, however, to use the Speak Out Session to introduce books that they have written.
- 3. Approved a request from the Covenant Network of Presbyterians to be a sponsoring presbytery of a "Covenant Conversation" at Northminister Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis, on September 27. The Council further decided to make a contribution of \$1,000 from Legacy Funds to support the project.
- 4. Received a report that the Smock Foundation will soon be incorporated in the State of Indiana. The new Bylaws specify that each of the three Indiana presbyteries will have three members on the Board of Directors. The presbytery executive, or that person's designee, is one of those directors. The other two will be selected by the presbytery's rule. The Council decided by common consent that these persons will be named by the Council upon the nomination of the Executive Presbyter.

Resolution for the Dissolution of the Scipio Presbyterian Church, Scipio, Indiana, by the Presbytery of Ohio Valley

WHEREAS, the Congregation of the Scipio Presbyterian Church, Scipio, Indiana, at a duly called meeting on April 13, 2025, voted unanimously to request that the Presbytery of Ohio Valley bring about the dissolution of the Congregation; and

WHEREAS, the following persons have each indicated willingness to serve if so appointed to an administrative commission for the Scipio Presbyterian Church: the Rev. David Crittenden, Ruling Elder Mary McClellan (First, Bloomington), and the Rev. Karen McDonald Smith; and WHEREAS, David Crittenden has indicated his willingness to serve as Moderator and Mary McClellan has indicated her 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 Scipio Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), Scipio, Indiana, effective May 23, 2025, 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 Scipio Presbyterian Church: the Rev. David Crittenden (Moderator), Ruling Elder Mary McClellan (Vice-Moderator), and the Rev. Karen McDonald Smith, 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 Scipio 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 Scipio Presbyterian Church as they continue in Christian witness, service, and fellowship in other congregations.

Adopted this 22nd Day of April, 2025, by the Presbytery of Ohio Valley, through its Presbytery Council. Attest:

Susan C. McGhee Moderator, Presbytery Council Executive Presbyter, Presbytery of Ohio Valley C.E.O., Presbytery of Ohio Valley, Inc. E. Joseph Kimmel, Jr. Stated Clerk, Presbytery of Ohio Valley Secretary, Presbytery of Ohio Valley, Inc.

Committee on Ministry Report

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

Summary of COM actions, February 11, 2025, through May 13, 2025.

FOR INFORMATION

At the February 11, 2025, meeting, the Committee on Ministry took the following actions:

- 1. Approved the following pastoral agreement:
 - a. Corydon Presbyterian Church of Corydon and the Rev. Cindy Cushman serving as stated supply pastor

Period	Hrs./wk	Salary	Housing	Auto Mi.	Study L	Pd.Vac	Cont.Ed.	Pension
01/01/2025	Full time	\$29,729*	\$31,000	Vch.IRS	2 weeks	1 month	\$1,200	Yes
to				rate	incl. 2	incl. 4		
12/31/2025					Sundays	Sundays		

*Includes SS offset \$3,945

- 2. Approved the **Rev. Donald Stokes'** request to be designated by the Presbytery as Retired as of February 11, 2025 (This action was sent to the presbytery council acting as a commission of presbytery.)
- 3. Regarding the **Rev. Dawn Black**:
 - a. Approved the match between Dawn Black and the Hanover Presbyterian Church of Hanover, for the position of Pastor
 - b. Approved establishing the pastoral relationship between Dawn Black and the Hanover Presbyterian Church of Hanover, effective the first date of service

At the April 1, 2025, meeting, the Committee on Ministry took the following actions:

- 1. The following agreement was approved by e-vote since the last meeting:
 - a. First Presbyterian Church of Seymour and the Rev. Shellie Jordan serving as extended pulpit supply

Period	Hrs./wk	Salary	Housing	Auto Mi.	Study L	Pd.Vac	Cont.Ed.	Pension
04/01/2025	N/A	\$400/wk (or	N/A	Vch.IRS	N/A	N/A	N/A	No
to		service)		rate				
05/31/2025								

2. Approved the following pastoral agreements:

a. Unity Presbyterian Church of Terre Haute and the Rev. Alan Finnan serving as bridge pastor

Period	Hrs./wk	Salary	Housing	Auto Mi.	Study L	Pd.Vac	Cont.Ed.	Pension
05/01/2025	Part time	\$30,000	\$18,000	Vch.IRS	2 weeks	5 weeks	\$1,200	Yes
to	– ¾ time			rate	incl. 2	incl. 5		
04/30/2026					Sundays	Sundays		

b. First Presbyterian Church of Evansville and the Rev. Jerusha Van Camp serving as Minister of Spiritual Formation and Connection

Period	Hrs./wk	Salary	Housing	Auto Mi.	Study L	Pd.Vac	Cont.Ed.	Pension
05/01/2025	Part time	\$32,500*	See	Vch.IRS	2 weeks	5 weeks	\$2,000	Yes
to	– ½ time		salary	rate – est.	incl. 2	incl. 5		
04/30/2026				\$5,000	Sundays	Sundays		

*Includes housing

3. Approved **the Rev. Mark McDaniel's** request to be designated by the Presbytery as Retired as of April 1, 2025

At the May 13, 2025, meeting, the Committee on Ministry took the following actions:

- 1. Upon the joint request of the pastor and congregation, dissolved the pastoral relationship between Central Presbyterian Church, Terre Haute, and the Rev. Michael P. Riggins, effective May 15, 2025.
- 2. Adopted Guidelines for the Election of a Pastor Emerit/Emerita/Emeritus (attached)

FOR ACTION

1. That the Presbytery of Ohio Valley grant the status of Retired to the Rev. Mark McDaniel, effective April 1, 2025

Presbytery Of Ohio Valley Committee On Ministry Guidelines For Election Of Pastor Emerita/Emeritus/Emerit

Congregations, when moved by their affection for those retiring from pastoral service, and their thankfulness for that individual's faithfulness in the service of Jesus Christ, may wish to elect their former pastor as Pastor Emerita, Emeritus, or Emerit. Throughout the remainder of this document, the gender-neutral term "Pastor Emerit" will be used. Congregations may, with the concurrence of the retired pastor, choose whatever term they wish to use.

It is important to emphasize that this is an honorary title with no inherent pastoral duties or authority and no compensation. Such a designation does not release a pastor or congregation from the obligation to maintain healthy boundaries as required by the Book of Order and the Committee on Ministry (COM), including the provisions of G-2.0905:

G-2.0905 After the dissolution of the pastoral relationship, former pastors and associate pastors shall not provide their pastoral services to members of their former congregations without the invitation of the moderator of the session.

Those eligible to receive the designation are:

- Formerly installed pastors, co-pastors, and associate pastors are eligible. Because this is an honorary relationship built upon gratitude and affection of a congregation for its pastor, the COM typically recommends a pastoral tenure of at least ten years for consideration of pastor emerit status.
- 2. Pastors who have served in a temporary pastoral relationship (such as stated supply pastor) may also be eligible, provided that their service to a particular congregation has continued for ten years or longer.
- 3. Ruling elders who have served as commissioned pastors may also be eligible, provided that their service to a particular congregation has continued for ten years or longer.

The process begins once the Session makes a written request to the Committee on Ministry. Ordinarily, such a request will not be considered until at least twelve months have passed since the departure of the pastor. Exceptions to this time limit may be made when necessary, such as ill health of the retiring pastor. The Session's request shall include:

Name of the congregation Clerk of Session's name and contact information Name of the pastor being honored Dates of that pastor's service to the congregation Name of the current pastor / moderator of session A brief rationale for the request

Once the COM has received the request, it will arrange for a consultation with the Session, former pastor, and current pastor or moderator of session to ascertain that all are in agreement with these guidelines, particularly the fact that the title is honorary with no inherent pastoral duties or authority and no compensation.

Should the COM grant its approval to proceed:

- In the case of formerly installed pastors, the Session shall be authorized to call a congregational meeting to elect its former pastor to the honorary title.
- In the case of former pastors or ruling elders who have served in non-installed position, the Session shall be authorized to elect its former pastor to the honorary title.

The action of the Congregation or Session (including the vote count) shall be communicated to the Committee on Ministry, which will make its final decision. Following the Committee on Ministry's approval, it is appropriate to celebrate the election of this honorary relationship in the context of worship.

A Celebration of the Saints Ruling and Teaching Elder Necrology January 1 - December 31, 2024

Congregation	Elder Ordination Date	Date of Death
Bedford, First		
Laura Deems Black	01.01.1984	08.08.2024
Janice Bailey	01.06.1991	03.08.2024
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Cayuga, Cayuga		
Susan Winchester		07.29.2024
Michael Morgan		12.07.2024
<u>Columbus, Fairlawn</u>		
Clyde Parrott	05.12.1996	02.01.2024
Shirley Bogren	01.07.2007	03.06.2024
Columbus, First		
Pauline Barnes		11.12.2024
James Dietz		2024
Eric Erickson, Jr.		07.02.2024
Charlotte Battin		04.20.2024
		01.20.2021
Evansville, First		
Sue Ann Hartig Summers	01.28.2018	11.02.2024
Farmersburg, First		
James Lear		01.14.2024
Greencastle, Greencastle	01 10 100 7	00.10.000.1
Donald Weaver	01.18.1985	09.18.2024
Jeffersonville, First		
Everett Ray Knight	01.12.1997	09.02.2024
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<u>Livonia, Livonia United</u> Ella Mae Deckard	06.04.1995	02.21.2024
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Madison, Madison		
Joyce Ashbrook		01.20.2024
Jerry Thaden		05.31.2024
Bob Glass		01.06.2024
Mount Vernon, First		
Gladys Reising	05.22.2003	07.30.2024
New Albany, Mount Tabor		
Wayne Knasel	01.12.2003	06.09.2024
Gayla Akers	01.02.1972	07.05.2024
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<u>New Albany, St John United</u> Meri Krebs	02.05.1990	09.08.2024
North Vernon, Graham Darlene Kerns Hicks	01.15.2014	12.12.2024
<u>Princeton, Princeton</u> Robert Lacy Cynthia Schrodt	01.09.2005 12.16.1984	02.19.2024 10.13.2024
Roachdale, Roachdale Charles Riggle		05.10.2024
<u>Salem, Salem</u> Norma Eisert Carolyn Haag	12.08.1985 01.17.1971	08.30.2024 12.24.2024
<u>Seymour, First</u> Ellis McCormick	11.16.1986	05.15.2024
<u>Terre Haute, Central</u> Peter Ekstrom Molly Wadsworth John Cleveland Donald Lowder	01.26.1975 02.17.1985 01.16.2000 01.09.1972	06.17.2024 07.25.2024 07.14.2024 04.05.2024

Ministers of the Word & Sacrament	Ordination Date	Date of Death
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D. Calvert Brand	06.23.1968	11.03.2024
Frank T. Hainer	06.01.1962	03.12/2024
David E. Rosen	06.22.1975	07.08.2024
William J. Rumsey	06.19.1970	08.09.2024
Irene L. Stuart	08.28.1983	05.18.2024

Glory to you, O God, for you have woven radiant garments for the Resurrection. Blessings to you, O Christ, for you were clothed with them at your rising. Praise to you, O Holy Spirit, for you keep them in love for all the saints.

2025 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.

May 25	Fairview, Princeton	September 14	United, Clinton
June 1	Princeton	September 21	First, Montezuma
June 8	Churches searching for Pastoral	September 28	Memorial, Rockville
	Leadership		
June 15	Roachdale	October 5	World Communion Sunday
June 22	Retired Ministers living in POV	October 12	Vernon
June 29	Salem	October 19	Caledonia, Vevay
July 6	United, Scipio	October 26	Indiana, Vincennes
July 13	First, Scottsburg	November 2	Upper Indiana, Vincennes
July 20	First, Seymour	November 9	Westminster, Washington
July 27	Presbyterian Youth Triennium	November 16	Hunger and Homelessness
August 3	Spencer	November 23	Presbytery of Ohio Valley Staff
August 10	First, Sullivan	November 30	Hanover College
August 17	Central, Terre Haute	December 7	Agencies of the PC(USA)
August 24	Unity, Terre Haute	December 14	POV Validated Ministries
August 31	Presbyterian Seminaries	December 21	All serving in the military
September 7	Emergency & Disaster Responders	December 28	Peace on Earth

Email your information to office@presbyteryov.org. Call 866-344-7853 for more information.