



West Ohio Conference
Shawnee Valley



July, 2016

Shawnee Valley District News



PRAYER REQUESTS

Local Churches

Week of 7/3 - Dry Run UMC, Pastor Jerry Caddell

Week of 7/10 - Dunkinsville UMC, Pastor Stephen Darby

Week of 7/17 - East Monroe UMC, Pastor Rich Allen

week of 7/24 - Fairfax UMC, Pastor Lloyd Shoemaker

Week of 7/31 - Finley Chapel UMC, Pastor Brian Pinkerman



[Greater Scioto Valley
Emmaus Community](#)

[L.O.V.E. \(Limestone Ohio
Valley Emmaus
Community](#)

[Hill View Retirement
Center, Portsmouth, Ohio](#)

[Shawnee Valley United
Methodist Women Website](#)

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the District](#)



Check out our
Classified Ads

[Small Organ](#)

WELCOME NEW PASTORS!



Join us in welcoming these pastors who have new appointments in the Shawnee Valley District.

Liberty Chapel, West Union & Liberty Chapel at Scrubb Ridge - **Chuck Reeves**; Stone Chapel - **Dan Stiles**; New Harmony - **Tracey Taylor**; Belfast & Prospect - **John Waugh**; Greenfield - **Kevin Hall**; Oak Hill Faith & St Paul - **Becky Wingo**; Slabfork Centenary - **Clyde Pennington**; Piketon - **Harley Roston**; Kingston - **Jammie Wilhelm**; Tyler Memorial - **Sam Mincey**; Walnut Street - **Joe Ziraldo**; Rarden - **Scott Williams**

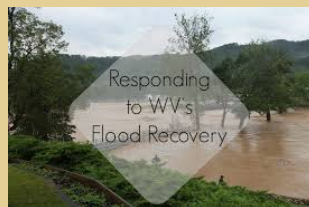
We also ask for prayers for those who have retired or moved:
Richard Patmore, Lori Lossie, Seve Hahn, Paschal King, & Don Mundy



A REVIEW OF WEST OHIO 2016 ANNUAL CONFERENCE
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- Daily Summaries: [Sunday](#) [Monday](#) [Tuesday](#) [Wednesday](#)
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BISHOP'S APPEAL FOR WEST VIRGINIA FLOOD VICTIMS



[Read Bishop Palmer's letter on how you can help in the flood relief effort.](#)

Disaster Response Teams are forming now and preparing to travel to West Virginia as soon as they are allowed to safely enter the area. If you are interested in serving on a team, contact Roberta or Diana in the District Office. You do not need to have credentials (ERT training) to serve.



Shawnee Valley Churches Recognized at West Ohio Annual Conference

The **Harry Denman Evangelism Award** honors clergy and lay United Methodists selected by the annual conference for their exceptional ministry of evangelism expressed in Word, Sign, and Deed, that brings people into a life transforming relationship with Jesus Christ. A Harry Denman Evangelism Award recipient consistently introduces those they serve to the Good News of Jesus Christ. Their ministry is outstanding for the number of new Christ followers who credit encounters with this person as critical in helping to start or reignite their faith journey. One of this year's winner is [Rev. Tim Roth, Cornerstone UMC, Portsmouth.](#)

The William B. Murray Vital Church Awards are presented by the West Ohio chapter of the United Methodist Rural Advocates (UMRA) to rural and smaller member churches that display passionate worship, radical hospitality, risk-taking service and mission, extravagant generosity, and faith-forming relationships. The goal of these awards is to help smaller town and country churches tell their story beyond just the reporting of numbers. The winners were recognized at this year's West Ohio Annual Conference meeting at Lakeside Chautauqua. **Coal Grove United Methodist Church** from the Shawnee Valley District was one of the churches that received recognition. Coal Grove UMC is a welcoming church that accepts all people. They enjoy celebrating baptisms with young and old alike, creating an inter-generational worship experience.

The **One Matters Initiative** was created to celebrate West Ohio Conference churches that are extending the love of Christ into the community and bringing new members into their congregations. These churches are doing extraordinary work to build God's kingdom here in West Ohio. Each District Superintendent was asked to nominate one church from their district for the 2016 West Ohio Conference One Matters Award, which was presented at this year's Annual Conference meeting at Lakeside, OH. **First United Methodist Church** in Greenfield was recognized for having five baptisms and five professions of faith and is involved in mission and ministry at home and beyond.

LOCAL CHURCH & MISSION NEWS & EVENTS

EVENTS

- [Camp Francis Asbury Summer Camps Schedule](#)
- [WCH Grace "Together" Campaign - 7/11-17, Washington DC](#)
- [Bible Land Exploration Tour \(November, 2016\)](#)
- [Jeffersonville UMC hosts Appalachian Christian Hillybilly Band - 7/24](#)
- [#BeStrongRossCo Prayer Gathering - 8/11](#)

NEWS

- [Leesburg UMC's Ride for Christ](#)
- [Nauvoo UMC & Wheelersburg UMC - Seeds & Plants Provided for Area Gardens](#)
- [Five Habits of Missional Churches - Articles by Sue Nilson Kibbey highlighting District Churches](#)
 - [Feasting Upon Prayer: Chillicothe Trinity](#)
 - [Seek & Welcome Our Neighbors: Portsmouth Cornerstone](#)
 - [Embrace a "Signature Ministry": South Webster Christ](#)
 - [Deploying Gifts and Strengths - Portsmouth Cornerstone](#)

KAIROS SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

Chillicothe Correctional Institution Kairos weekend event #5 will be held for 15 residents of Ohio's death row unit October 21-23.



We are requesting volunteers to serve on this Kairos team. Those called to bring Christ's message to the residents on death row should contact Gary Hopkins at 937-546-7446.

ANGEL TREE PRISON MINISTRIES



Last year in the SHV District, we were able to provide for 170 children at Christmas time who have at least one parent who is incarcerated in the 9 counties we serve through the ministry of Angel Tree. This year we will not be collecting a District offering so it becomes a great opportunity for individual churches or individuals to minister to a child or children in the county you live. This could be a wonderful ministry of getting to know a child, family and inmate whose lives you can touch with the love of Jesus Christ. ([Details](#))

OPPORTUNITIES AND NEWS AROUND THE CONFERENCE

EVENTS

- [United Methodist Communications Online Courses for Pastors](#)
(Registration deadline 7/5)
- [Fellowship of Local Pastors & Associate Members Fall Retreat](#)
(10/13-15)
- [Deacon Formation Event & Order of Deacon Gathering](#) (11/02)



Add us to your newsletter or e-news so we can see what your church is doing!

And with our new website design, it is easier to advertise your local church events. Just send the information via e-mail, post on our Facebook page or call Diana at 740-637-0829. We'll add the event to our [Events Calendar](#) and provide any details you wish to share. Most formats accepted

(MS Word, .pdf, .jpg, etc.)

Also, be sure to "LIKE" our Facebook page, share your Church's Facebook page with [Diana Hughes Hall](#), and add the Shawnee Valley District to your newsletter (e-news to dhall@wocumc.org and/or postal copy to 573 E Main, Chillicothe, OH, 45601).

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