

Report of the Stated Clerk

Motions for the September 21, 2024, Stated Meeting of Muskingum Valley Presbytery

Motion to approve the 2023 MVP Statistical Report (see attached)

Motion to Approve Bylaws Amendment submitted by the Synod of the Covenant that needs to be approved by the eleven (11) Presbyteries. (see attached document)

Honorably Retired Pastors to be removed from MVP membership roll

Rev. Dr. J. Edward Barrett – April 26, 2023

Rev. Dr. David Hartzfeld – March 23, 2024

Rev. Dr. William McClelland – June 11, 2024

Session Minutes Review

We have held three (3) Session Minutes Review Sessions to date with one more scheduled for Saturday, October 12, 2024, at Trinity Presbyterian Church in Zanesville. If a Clerk of Session has not attended or is planning to attend the remaining session, please contact Stated Clerk, Alison Blondheim for alternate arrangements. Thank you to First Presbyterian Church of New Philadelphia, Church of the Covenant, Canton and First Presbyterian Church of McConnelsville for hosting those sessions already held.

Boundaries Training

Hopefully, if you needed to complete Boundaries Training this fall, you have signed up for one of the upcoming Boundaries Training Seminars. If you did not complete it in calendar year 2023, you are due in calendar year 2024, as MVP has a every 2-year rule even though the Book of Order mandates every 3 years. This is for all of our installed Ministers of Word and Sacrament, Commissioned Ruling Elders serving at a designated ministry, Ministers serving as a long-term Supply Pastor, and Ministers from other denominations serving as a Pastor at one of the churches in MVP.

- **September 28** from 9:30am to 4:30pm Eastern Time
As of September 11, one seat is open. [Please contact us to request registration.](#)

- **October 8 & October 9** from 1:00pm to 4:00pm Eastern Time
As of September 11, one seat is open. [Please contact us to request registration.](#)
- **October 15 & October 16** from 16, 6:00pm to 9:00pm Eastern Time
As of September 11, this workshop is full.
- **November 7** from 9:30 am to 4:30pm Eastern Time
As of September 11, two seats are open. [Please contact us to request registration.](#)
- October 8 and 9 from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
- The sign-ups are already available at [Synod of the Covenant — LeaderWise](#), which is linked from our website via [Equipping Leaders | Synod Of The Covenant \(synodofthecovenant.org\)](#).

Stated Clerk Travels

I attended Antrim Presbyterian Church's 200th Anniversary on June 16th. I traveled to France from July 1-9 with Christ Presbyterian Church's Choral Tour which was a wonderful experience. I preached at Westminster Presbyterian Church of Wooster on July 14. I attended a 2 day retreat with other leaders from the 11 Presbyteries that make up the Synod of the Covenant in Monroe, Michigan in early August.

Remaining Presbytery Meeting Calendar for 2024

Wednesday, December 11, 2024, at 6:00 P.M. at Christ Presbyterian Church, Canton

