



## Central Southeast Ohio Association, Ohio Conference August 15, 2019

### Central Southeast Ohio Association 56th Annual Fall Meeting



Date: Saturday, October 26, 2019

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Place: First Congregational UCC  
444 E. Broad St.  
Columbus, OH 43215

### Nominations Needed for:

- Department for Church and Authorized Ministry – three open spots, each serving a three-year term;
- Department for Congregational Vitality – four open spots: three for a three-year term and one for a one-year term;
- Department for Preparation for Authorized Ministry – four open spots: three for a three-year term and one for a two-year unexpired term, and
- Vice Moderator of Central Southeast Ohio Association Council – must be a lay person.

If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Rev. Melodie Rezac, nominating committee chair, at 740-503-4803 or [melodier@ocucc.org](mailto:melodier@ocucc.org).

### Approved for Ordination

**Laura Degling** has been approved for Ordination to Ministry by the Department of Preparation for Authorized Ministry.

Her ordination will be Saturday, October 12, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. – save the date.

Central Southeast Ohio Association congratulates for her this important step in her faith journey.



## Clergy Openings



### David's UCC, Canal Winchester

Senior Pastor position is open.

[More Information](#)



### First Congregational, Marietta

Accepting applications for Interim Pastor.

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### Grace United Church of Christ, Lancaster

Senior pastor position is open.

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### United Church of Granville

**UPDATE:**  
Senior Pastor position is open.

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# 2019 The Big Table

Join 199 other people for a luncheon while discussing the topic, Gun Violence.

[Details](#)

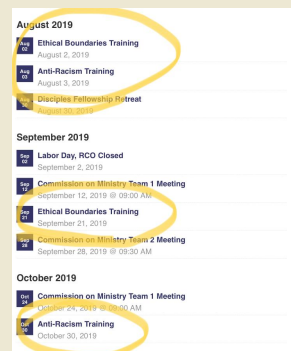
Date: Wednesday, August 28, 2019  
Time: 12 noon – 1:30 p.m.  
Place: First Congregational UCC, Parish Hall, 444 E. Broad St., Columbus

[Register for The Big Table](#)

## Ethical Boundaries & Anti-Racism Training

Disciples of Christ has multiple dates this fall for ethical boundaries and anti-racism training.

[More Information & Register](#)



August 2019	
Aug 2	Ethical Boundaries Training August 2, 2019
Aug 3	Anti-Racism Training August 3, 2019
Aug 4	Disciples Fellowship Retreat August 4, 2019
September 2019	
Sept 2	Labor Day, RCO Closed September 2, 2019
Sept 12	Commission on Ministry Team 1 Meeting September 12, 2019 @ 09:00 AM
Sept 21	Ethical Boundaries Training September 21, 2019
Sept 28	Commission on Ministry Team 2 Meeting September 28, 2019 @ 09:00 AM
October 2019	
Oct 24	Commission on Ministry Team 1 Meeting October 24, 2019 @ 09:00 AM
Oct 30	Anti-Racism Training October 30, 2019

## Periodic Vocational Support

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## Leading Faithfully: Mobilizing Clergy to Help Respond to Elder Abuse

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# Leading Faithfully

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## Mobilizing Clergy to Help Respond to Elder Abuse

Community clergy are often left out of discussions of elder justice, but may be the first individuals who may become aware of elder abuse or exploitation in their faith communities. This educational offering will help "connect the dots" for the faith leaders that serve communities across Ohio.

Presented by:

Kim Vesey  
RN, BSN, MS, CHPN  
Chief Mission Officer  
Ohio's Hospice

Rev. Beth Long-Higgins  
M.Div  
Executive Director  
Ruth Parker Center  
for Abundant Aging

August 21, 2019  
Mid-Ohio Foodbank  
3960 Brookham Drive  
Grove City, OH 43123

September 11, 2019  
Ray & Joan Kroc  
Corps Community Center  
1000 North Keowee Street  
Dayton, OH 45404

September 18, 2019  
Toledo Botanical Garden  
5403 Elmer Drive  
Toledo, OH 43615

September 25, 2019  
Benjamin Rose Institute  
11890 Fairhill Road  
Cleveland, OH 44120

## Nollau to You



Nollau to You program brings the basics of serving leadership development directly to our member ministries, our partners and the Wider Church. Sponsored by the Ohio Conference and The Council for Health & Human Service Ministries

Thursday, August 22, 8:30 AM to 5 PM  
Northwest Association Office  
416 Wentz Street  
Tiffin, Ohio 44883

[Details & Registration](#)

## Mental Health, Stigma and Families: The Final Frontier for Human Rights

Dr. Stephen Hinshaw presents  
Thursday, September 19, 7 p.m.  
First Community Church  
Columbus  
Tickets: \$12 and \$15

[More Information](#)

[Registration](#)

## Hot Topics for Religious Professionals and Youth: Suicide, Cannabis, Sexuality/Gender

An interfaith conference for religious leaders of all faiths who work with young people. Its purpose is to help equip religious leaders for conversations in the areas of youth suicide, cannabis and its implications, and LGBTQI and Transgender youth.

[More Information](#)

[Register](#)

## Invitation to the 2019 Gladden Lecture

The Rev. Dr. Starsky Wilson, will deliver the 2014 Gladden Lecture at The First Congregational Church, 444 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio on Sunday afternoon, September 15, 2019 at 4pm. The lecture, “Health Care Justice” is open to the public.

On Saturday, September 14, 2019, at 10 am, Rev. Dr. Wilson will conduct a workshop entitled “The Health Care Justice.” Additional details may be found at the website of First Congregational Church: [www.first-church.org](http://www.first-church.org). Rev. Dr. Wilson will also be preaching at both the 9 and 11 am services on Sunday at First Congregational Church.

Questions may be addressed to Mark S. Williams, Director of Christian Education at [mwilliams@first-church.org](mailto:mwilliams@first-church.org).

[More about Rev. Dr. Wilson](#)

## Interfaith March for Peace & Justice



On **Sunday, Sept. 22** the Interfaith March for Peace & Justice will be taking place in Columbus, Toledo, and Zanesville. This coordinated event, first held in Columbus in 2017, has a simple purpose: to reassert the basic principles of equal justice for all and religious liberty for all in a way that is peaceful, non-partisan, and proactive. The Columbus event will be kicked off with a dedication at 3:45 in **Genoa Park (behind COSI)** before marchers proceed over the bridge on Broad Street then make their way to Bicentennial Park. Events in other states – including South Carolina, Iowa, Wyoming, and California – will be taking place as well as key events in Charlottesville, VA and Pittsburgh (organized by activists from the Tree of Life Synagogue). If you'd like more information, please email [interfaithmarch2019@gmail.com](mailto:interfaithmarch2019@gmail.com). We'd appreciate your presence!



# Ohio Conference Annual Gathering

Caring For Our  
Common Ground

September 27-28, 2019

Annual Gathering Planning Team  
Video

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COM Online Training

Constitution and By Laws,  
adopted 10-27-18

Departments, Council and  
Committees

Manual on Ministry

Member In Discernment Manual,  
rev 7, 10-9-13

Pulpit Supply List

Visit Our Website

## 2019 Calendar of Events

### Female Clergy Lunch

Female clergy in the Ohio Conference are invited to meet monthly for lunch, fellowship, sharing of resources and support.

We meet on the 4th Tuesday of each month in the Columbus area.

Our next gathering is:

August 26, 2019, 11:30 a.m.

at the Ikea restaurant (I 71 - Gemini Exit).

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### Calendar of Prayer

**August 18, 2019**

Orchard Hill UCC, Chillicothe

**August 25, 2019**

Radnor Congregational UCC, Radnor

**September 1, 2019**

St. John Evangelical Protestant UCC,  
Columbus

**September 8, 2019**

Our Sister Associations of the  
Ohio Conference

**September 15, 2019**

St. John's UCC, Newark

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If you have news or photos to share and/or dates you would like to add to the calendar, please submit to [maryp@ocucc.org](mailto:maryp@ocucc.org) by Monday at 5:00 p.m.  
Submit photos in jpeg, png format.

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