



Jesus said, “‘Love the Lord your God with all your passion and prayer and intelligence.’ This is the most important, the first on any list. But there is a second to set alongside it: ‘Love others as well as you love yourself.’ These two commands are pegs; everything in God’s Law and the Prophets hangs from them.”  
Matthew 22: 37-40 The Message

In the late 1880’s a statement became popular that has been repeated in various forms through the years: *Your Liberty to swing your fist ends just where my nose begins.* Simply explained, the phrase reminds us that even though we have freedoms, those freedoms do not include the right to infringe on the rights of others. Centuries before this phrase became popular, Jesus reminded his followers of this very truth when he told them that we are to love others as well as they loved themselves. This truth rings today as loudly as it did then.  
*Diana Revelle, Editor*

**THE PURPOSE OF UNITED METHODIST WOMEN**

The organized unit of United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose PURPOSE is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ, to develop a creative, supportive fellowship, and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

**CIRCLE NEWS**

**Breakfast Circle**

**Phyllis Miller**

Members wish to thank those who purchased these beautiful plants. Proceeds amounted to \$1,647.75. This money was presented to the Missouri United Methodist Women to be used for local and national missions with a portion presented to Madison Denton and her College Ministry group for their help with this sale. This was a cooperative effort that had two rewards: 1) money for their mission trips and more importantly 2) the involvement of this age group with our circle members. Our circle looks forward to additional interactions with these college students.



The Breakfast Circle group celebrates another successful geranium sale.

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

- July 24, 2019-----All UMW Wardrobe
- July 25-28, 2019 ----- Conference Mission u in Fayette
- August 7, 2019 ----- UMW Executive Committee, 8:45 a.m.
- August 24, 2019 ---District Mini Mission-u, Wesley UMC, Jeff City
- September ----- Val’s Circle Mum Sale, Dates to be Determined
- September 4, 2019-----Executive Meeting, 8:45 a.m.
- September 4, 2019 Fall Unit Meeting and Birthday Party –  
10:30 a.m., MPR
- September 20, 2019 ----- 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Newsletter Article Deadline
- September 21, 2019 -- Fall District UMW Meeting, Harper Chapel
- September 25, 2019 -----All UMW Wardrobe
- September 27-28, 2019----- UMW Annual Meeting, Poplar Bluff
- October 2, 2019 ----- Executive Meeting 8:45 a.m.

**Eagle Circle**

Eleven members of the Eagle Online Circle met on Monday June 3<sup>rd</sup> for a dinner gathering at Bethel Ridge Estates. Melissa Witherington invited the membership to join her at her residence at Bethel Ridge for an evening of food, fellowship, music and fun.



**Searcy-Feely**

Searcy-Feely Circle enjoyed a May fellowship activity on Wednesday May 15th. Circle members traveled to Boonville and enjoyed high tea at the Grand Victorian Manor on High Street where they experienced a lovely luncheon and a tour of the Mansion.



On Monday June 24th, Searcy-Feely Circle provided and served lunch on the first day of the Eagle Lake Camp.



**UMW Book Club**

The next meeting of the UMW Book Club will be Wednesday, July 10th at 10:00 in the Fireside Room in the Lenoir Community Center. The book is *Women Rowing North* by Mary Pipher. The book chosen for the September meeting to be held on Wednesday September 11 is the Columbia One Read finalist book, *Nomadland* by Jessica Bruder. All are invited to attend.

**UNIT NEWS**

**June Unit Meeting**

The June meeting of United Methodist Women was held on Wednesday June 5th. The program, *Working with People in Poverty*, was arranged by Melissa Clarke, unit Mission Coordinator for Social Action, and presented by Debbie Karwoski. Debbie is a Love INC (In the Name of Christ) volunteer who most recently has helped with the launch of a new Love INC program called Jobs for Life. Debbie has a background in radio broadcasting, puppetry & office administration.



June DeWeese, Debbie Karwoski, Melissa Clarke

**Fall Unit Meeting**

The September meeting of United Methodist Women will be held on Wednesday September 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. in the MPR. This meeting will celebrate the anniversary of 150 years of the work of Methodist Women throughout the denomination and the 138<sup>th</sup> year of active women's organizations here at Missouri United Methodist Church and its predecessor congregations.



Yvette Richards

Our guest speaker will be Yvette Richards. Evette is currently the Director of Community Connections for St. James UMC, in Kansas City, Missouri. She served as the National President of UMW 2012-2016; on the General Board of Global Ministries

2011-2016, and on the General Commission of the Status and Role of Women 2008-2012.

Copies of our UMW history, *A Legacy of Mission*, are still available and will be available the day of the meeting. If you are interested in a copy before the September meeting, contact June DeWeese or Diana Revelle

**DISTRICT NEWS**

**Spring District Meeting**

The spring District UMW meeting was held on Saturday, April 27th at New Horizons UMC in Columbia.



Caryl Bryan was the guest speaker, presenting a program on Turning Point.

Several members of this unit attended, and several recognitions were received.

UMW Reading Program: Reading Program Plan I was completed by Betty Dillard, Rene’ Rau, and Diana Revelle. Reading Program Each one, Read One was completed by June DeWeese.

Mission Today: The Unit was recognized for completing Mission Today Criteria on the HOPE level.



First-Time Attendees: Cathy Lawson, Melissa Clarke, Gina Sandwith, and Lynn Carruth-Rasmussen were among those recognized as being first-time attendees.



**CELEBRATION RIBBON**

Linda Mealy, District Corsage/Ribbon Coordinator announced a new ribbon in celebration of the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the work of Methodist Women throughout the denomination.



**MID-STATE DISTRICT MINI MISSION U**

Mini Mission u will be held on Saturday August 24<sup>th</sup> at Wesley UMC in Jefferson City. If you are not able to attend Mission u in July, this is an excellent opportunity to experience the study materials.

**MID-STATE DISTRICT MISISON TRIP**

Mid-State District is planning a fall mission trip to the Midwest Mission Distribution Center in Chatham, IL, September 2-7. Below is registration information.

**Volunteers in Missions Trip, United Methodist Women @ Midwest Mission Distribution Center, September 2-7, 2019, Monday-Saturday (5nights, 6 days) Website: [Midwest.missiondc.org](http://Midwest.missiondc.org) MMDC, (Chatham, IL)** If you have ever wondered about a mission trip, I would strongly encourage you to consider coming. In this very large facility (please check out on website above) we participate in all kinds of service to help those in need here in the United States and around the world. We sort, cant, bundle, sew, cut, drill, repair & do a variety of other activities. There are jobs for standing and sitting. So anyone and everyone can participate. ☺

We sleep in a fully equipped & comfortable dormitory. Everyone will have a lower bunk and each room accommodates 2-3 people. The kitchen has all the appliances you need to prepare meals. The spacious Shower/restrooms leave no one having to wait in line. The open common area for living & dining is cozy and spacious enough to entertain a puzzle table, card table and piano with enough space for group seating to work on projects. The cost of the trip is \$200.00 per person which includes, room, food, fuel, a \$50 material contribution to MMDC & registration fee. Please complete the form below and register by July 7<sup>th</sup>, Sunday. *Thanks. ☺*

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**DISTRICT OFFICERS NEEDED**

The Mid-State District UMW committee on nominations will need to fill the following positions for 2020: Secretary, Social Action, Spiritual Growth and Chair of Nominations. If you feel called to meet one of these needs, please contact Diana Revelle.

## UMW ACROSS THE NATION AND AROUND THE GLOBE

### UMW DAY OF GIVING

The UMW Day of Giving on March 23, 2019, was celebrated by United Methodist Women members around the country, commemorating the organization's 150th anniversary. More than 3,500 individual gifts were received for a total of \$496,451.00. (UMW e-news, June 2019)

### GENERAL NEWS

#### Where the Money Goes

#### A Call to Prayer and Self-Denial

In the first quarter newsletter, a list of special offerings was listed which work as revenue streams of support for the work of United Methodist Women around the world. An additional avenue that was not mentioned is A Call to Prayer and Self-Denial. This offering reminds us to be in prayer for those who are in need. The mission focus for 2019 is *Building a Thriving Generation of Children and Youth Worldwide*. All offerings received this year will go to programs that promote well-being and equal opportunities for children and youth in need. Although this observance is encouraged, it is not mandatory. Several of circles in the MUMC unit participate in this special offering.

#### Agencies Supported

Seven agencies are supported through funds donated to United Methodist Women through the revenue streams that have been mentioned. Five of these agencies are supported nationally and two additional agencies are supported through the Mid-State District UMW. This issue highlights three of these agencies.

#### Della Lamb Community Services, Kansas City, MO

Della Lamb Community Services was founded in 1897 as a Methodist Mission to provide childcare for poor, working mothers. Today, they provide low-income families with early education, childcare, youth services, adult services, adult education, transportation, emergency social services, international refugee services, Elementary Charter School education, back-to-school supplies, Thanksgiving groceries and Christmas groceries and gifts.

#### Spofford, Kansas City, MO

The Gillis Home for Orphans was established in 1872 by the niece of William Gillis, one of Kansas City's founding members with support from his estate after his death. Bebe Spofford donated her mansion to be used as an orphanage, and in 1916, the Spofford Receiving Home for Children was opened. In 1948, the Ozanam Home for Boys was established in honor of French literary scholar, lawyer, journalist and social advocate,

Blessed Frederic Ozanam. In 1997, the three joined together to become the Gillis-Ozanam-Spofford Consortium, commonly referred to as Spofford. The agency is now called Cornerstone of Care, taking on that name in 1998. The agency provides a full spectrum of preventive and treatment services for children and families which include education, mental and behavioral health, foster care and adoption, youth support, family support, and bill paying assistance.

#### InterServ, St. Joseph, MO

Interserve began in 1909 when a group of Methodist women opened the doors of a Wesley House to offer citizenship classes and support to immigrants seeking employment in the stockyards and packing plants in St. Joseph. Since then, this agency has been a vital part of the social service landscape of the community. Now known as, Interfaith Community Services, Inc. it is a group of volunteers, churches and community organizations that work together in St. Joseph for change. Volunteers and staff work in the community to identify unmet needs; define problems and issues; and create viable solutions to lessen the impact of poverty on people in the community.

### THE UMW CONNECTION

#### District UMW Newsletter

Shirley Link: [dilink@ktis.net](mailto:dilink@ktis.net); 573-295-4640

#### Conference UMW Newsletter: *The Mission Voice*

The Mission Voice is a bi-monthly publication of the MO Conference UMW. The paper subscription rate is \$5 for the year. To update your address or to subscribe, contact Kelly G. Loeb, editor at: [kellygloeb@gmail.com](mailto:kellygloeb@gmail.com)  
Visit online at: [www.moumethodist.org/](http://www.moumethodist.org/)

#### Missouri Conference United Methodist Women

[www.moumethodist.org/umw](http://www.moumethodist.org/umw)

Link to UMW page on the Missouri Conference

<https://www.moumethodist.org/unitedmethodistwomen>

#### South Central Jurisdiction United Methodist Women

[www.umw.scj.org](http://www.umw.scj.org)

#### United Methodist Women – National Site

[www.unitedmethodistwomen.org](http://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org)

#### UMW Reading Program

[www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/readingprogram](http://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/readingprogram)

### SOCIAL ACTION

#### Mai Gray Charter for Racial Justice

[www.moumethodist.org/unitedmethodistwomen](http://www.moumethodist.org/unitedmethodistwomen)

#### UMW Action Alert websites

<http://new.gbgbm-umc.org/umw/act/network/>

<http://new.gbgbm-umc.org/umw/act/alerts/>