

MUMC UMW

4th Quarter 2021 Newsletter



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.

Editor's Note -

Thank you, UMW members, for the support you've given me during this year as I assumed responsibility of the newsletter from the inimitable Diana Revelle. Please continue to share all of the photos and news that celebrates the service and mission work that MUMC is known for locally and UMW is known for world wide! vl@burnsitech.com

17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!

2 Corinthians 5:17



Letter from the President June DeWeese

Greetings UMW members,

What a year 2021 has been! Our UMW Unit has kept moving forward in 2021. Most circles have been meeting and continuing with their service projects and fellowship with each other. We rejoiced as we welcome new members to our circles and we shared tears when we said goodbye to our sisters who have passed away.

Our Unit meeting was wonderful. The Discovery Days children's songs and smiles ushered us into the Christmas season. The presentation of Special Mission Recognition Pins to Adriene Floyd, David and Kathy Lawson was a joy. Installation of our officers for 2022 (thank you, Carol Evans for installing us) kept us moving forward. It was wonderful to see so many of our members present in person that day!

I enjoyed my recent visit with the Breakfast Group. They were packing 50 Christmas gift bags for Coyote Hills and I got to help with that project.

I am looking forward to visiting each circle during 2022, my last year at your President.

I hope everyone has a safe, healthy and happy 2022.

June DeWeese, President of UMW
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Searcy-Feely Circle

Searcy-Feely has had an excellent fourth quarter. We are back to meeting together at church and this brings all of us much joy.

Our **October** program, **The History of the MU School of Music**, was presented by **Dr. Julia Gaines**, Director of the School for the past eight years.

Our **November** program was getting acquainted with and learning the duties of **Rev. Amy Bowers**, the Director of Older Adult Ministry at MUMC.



Rev. Amy Bowers

Searcy-Feely donated the amount of **\$581 to VAC**— enabling a larger family to have a good Christmas.



We will not meet as a Circle again until January and will keep meeting at church unless the weather or other issue calls for a Zoom meeting. We are comforted knowing we will be together each for each meeting, no matter what.



Submitted by:
Marsha Sergent,
Circle Chair

Bratton-Cunningham Circle

On Wednesday, **October 20**, the **Bratton-Cunningham Circle** met at 10:00 in the **Fireside Room of Lenoir Community Center**. Eleven members and guest, **Diana Revelle**, were present. The program was given by **Diana Revelle**, who highlighted the **UMW** organization and procedures. She presented the circle with a **UMW program book** and copies of **response** magazine.



Bratton-Cunningham Circle members at the October meeting.



Diana Revelle, guest speaker;
Carolyn Steinhaus, Circle Chair;
Georgia Nolph, Secretary/Treasurer

Brass Cleaning

Need a volunteer?
Who ya gonna call?
UMW members are ready to help.



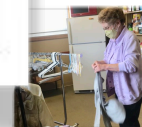
Betty Dillard, Diana Revelle, June DeWeese & Pam Thomeczek



Living Windows



The Wardrobe



Julia Goodell & Anna DeVore

Suzanne McDavid & Nancy Franklin



Happy coincidence.. Lunch before working/meeting at church...

Pastor Jewell, Cynthia, Vicky, Sally, Pam, Pastor Amy and Diana enjoyed a lovely lunch at the International Cafe.

Wesley Circle

October

The **Wesley Circle UMW** program for **October 14, 2021** was given by **Kasey Hammock**, Executive Director of **First Chance for Children** and **Verena Wilkerson**, their new **Diaper Bank** Coordinator. Verena is running the **Baby Bags** program which coordinates diaper wrapping events, diaper drives, and diaper distribution through partner agencies such as **Voluntary Action Center**, Parents as Teachers, or any agency already servicing a family. Soon we plan to establish a partnership with **The Wardrobe** to distribute diapers once a month to Tuesday clients with infants and toddlers. Circle members brought diapers, wipes, or cash donations for **First Chance for Children** as they learned of the extreme need for families in the 9 county service area for this critical diaper program. **First Chance for Children** also provides Safe Cribs, Baby U (a home visitation program for families below the 200% of poverty line) as well as **Lend & Learn Libraries** for families. You can learn more about **First Chance for Children** at: fc4c.org. If you want to donate diapers or quality used children's books or toys take them to: **1002 Fay Street, Columbia, MO between 9 am and 3 pm M-F**.

Submitted by: **Jacky Gingrich**, Facilitator



Wesley Circle meeting in the **MUMC Parlor**



Jacky Gingrich, **Kasey Hammock** and **Verena Wilkerson**

November



What does a unique food website created by Columbia women, and the food needs of our church's adopted Afghan families have in common? The common elements are food insecurity and love! This is the topic explored by **Judith LeFevre** and the **Wesley Circle** with a new understanding about the level of food insecurity in our own community as compared with that of Afghanistan - the two having shocking parallels

Submitted by: **Judith LeFevre**, Facilitator

Wesley Circle provided the meal for Loaves and Fishes on **November 13, 2021**. **127 meals** were served. Thank you to **Pat Martin** and **Nancy Franklin** for coordinating, gathering, preparing and serving!!

December



For the **December** meeting Circle Chair **Suzanne McDavid** led a group of the **Wesley Circle** members gathered at Woodcrest Church to help load the cars of local agencies for distribution of Christmas gifts for **Voluntary Action Center** families.



Esther Circle

Esther Circle has been very busy this quarter. We have sent many quilts to **Epworth Children's and Family Services** for children sheltered there and completed numerous amounts of **Patricia Projects** to be sent for the final step to Brunswick UMC. These are cloth sanitary napkins for women in third world countries so that they can leave home to work or attend school during those times of the month.

We have also completed school bags sending them to **MMDC** (Midwest Mission Distribution Center) and also for the **Container Project for Nicaragua**. Paraments have been completed for our church and currently we are making bags for the bell choir to store new mallets complete with labels. We have completed adult bibs and lap quilts for nursing homes in our community.

We welcome help in tracing, cutting, and/or sewing for anyone willing to help us work on these projects. We will supply the materials.

Submitted by: **Alicia Henderson**, Circle Chair



Barb Sanders and Ester Mendoza working on one of the **Esther Circle** mission projects.



A special thank you to **Pam Thomeczek** and **Diana Revelle** for all of your hard work to publish the **United Methodist Women 2022 Yearbook!**

Pam assembling and stapling yearbooks.



A special thank you to **Marsha Sergent** for this special display and all the others you have created to celebrate **UMW!**



2022 Dates to Remember:

January/February	No Executive Meeting
January	Mid-State District Unit Office Training
January 9	Church Women United, 2:30 pm
March 1 - 2	MO Conference UMW Legislative Event
March 2	Executive Committee Meeting, 8:45 am
March 2	MUMW Unit Meeting, 10:30 am
March 25	1st Quarter Newsletter Deadline

TBD*
MUMC hosting
Jefferson City*
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*More information to come

UMW SUNDAY

United Methodist Women's Sunday was observed at all three services on **Sunday October 10, 2021.** **Unit President, June DeWeese**, spoke at all three services to tell the story of **UMW**.

During the services the observance of **Candle Burning** was held. The practice of candle burning is a long-standing tradition among **United Methodist Women**. Each year a Sunday is named to honor the work of **United Methodist Women** locally, nationally, and internationally. Especially noted is the **mission work** that is done by the organization. The national office of **UMW** calculates the amount of money that is needed to provide mission each year down to the second. In 2021, the amount is **\$20.23** per minute. The tradition of the Candle Burning ceremony is to offer donations to mission in honor or in memory of someone close to your heart, or to the work of mission in general. When those donations are received, the total amount is divided by the mission minute amount named for the year and the candle is burned for that number of minutes. The observation of candle burning is a beautiful way to contribute to the mission work of United Methodist Women while remembering the people who are dear to us.



June DeWeese at the 11:00 service.

In Memory Of

Leona & Willard Klingburg
 Ralph Havener, Sr.
 Val Hinshaw
 John Paul Maynard
 Catharine Twitty
 Gladys McKee
 Ruth Burns
 Carolyn Rawlins
 Charlene Coleman
 Milton Bailey
 Dr. Paul & Vivian Sides
 William & Viola Struckhoff
 Tom Buchanan
 Mary Gwin
 Mary Ann Schauer
 Mark Headley
 Tom Nendal
 Faye Sharp
 Carl E. Block
 Alfreda Moore
 Doris Collins-Moore
 Rose Mary Langland
 Virginia Higdon
 Betty Tegerdine
 Marciele Maledy
 Katherine LaFolette
 Ross & Louise Dickerson

In Honor Of

Diana & Elmer Revelle
 Mickey Havener
 David Barnes
 Paul Hinshaw
 Chellie & Paul Hinshaw
 Vlasta, & Andrew Hinshaw
 James & Laura, Jacob,
 Farrah & Brittany
 Adele & David Nickolaus
 Julie & Robin Deters
 Collin & Chelsa,
 Valerie & Hess, ronan
 Pastor Tami Galloway
 Dave & Carole Babel Family
 Lonetta Johnson
 Marsha Sergent
 Ingrid Headley
 Kathryn Sapp
 Chip Sharp
 Liz Rettke
 Jo Lee
 Mary Jean Leeper
 Nancy Wilkinning
 Karen Stone
 MUMW UMW
 All UMW Members

\$1983.86 was raised for Missions



UMW December Unit Meeting

The **December MUMC Unit Meeting** was held on **December 1, 2021** in the Multipurpose Room of the CLC. The delightful entertainment was provided by the **Discovery Days** students.



Discovery Day students performing for **UMW** members



Special Mission Recognition Ceremony



President **June DeWeese** pins a surprised **Adrienne Floyd!**

Jan Mees presents pins to 'also surprised' recipients **David & Kathy Lawson**



I am recommending **Special Mission Recognition** for **Adrienne Floyd** for her assistance in all things UMW. She has helped make me aware of church members who are ill, in the hospital or homebound. She has helped arrange receptions & meals for memorial services and funeral receptions and has worked lovingly and caringly with family members during the most difficult, sad times in their lives. Adrienne is the consummate professional in all that she does. She keeps confidential those things that need to be confidential. She shares freely everything that she can to make the work of all of the church leaders as easy as possible.

((An excerpt from June's loving tribute.))



David & Kathy Lawson's granddaughter joined them on stage.

While the world hunkered down, two members of **MUMC**, **Kathy and David Lawson, Festival of Sharing Coordinators** since 2019, worked diligently behind the scenes to ensure that those in need had supplies that would be distributed to them through the Festival of Sharing.

Kathy and David Lawson are a "power couple" in the truest sense of the word. Their names won't be in the headlines, they don't Tweet about their work, and their modesty is overwhelming. Their need to help others is exemplified in their tireless work with **Sophia Circle** and as Festival of Sharing coordinators.

((An excerpt from Jan's moving tribute.))

In Loving Memory of our beloved UMW Sisters



UMW December Unit Meeting, continued

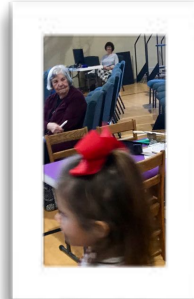


Carolyn Jacob

Wilma Cleek	11-16-27 - 1-15-21	Tribute by: June DeWeese
Virginia Higdon	11-02-32 - 3-26-21	Tribute by: June DeWeese
Betty Tegerdine	07-28-23 - 04-03-31	Tribute by: Betty Dillard
Elaine Pate	02-19-40 - 04-17-21	Tribute by: Jan Mees
Marciele Maledy	03-29-26 - 04-26-21	Tribute by: Bev Huckaba
Nan Unklesbay	03-28-44 - 05-18-21	Tribute by: Barbara McClure



Edy Rodgers



Diana Mooney & Rene' Rau, UMW Reading Program Coordinator presented certificates to participants.

Thank you, **Diana Revelle**, for your tech expertise & patience!



(Listed from right to left)

Installation of UMW Unit Officers for 2022
conducted by **Carol Evans**

Elected Officers

President.....	June DeWeese
Vice-President.....	Vicky Elliott
Unit Secretary.....	Joy Sampson
Unit Treasurer.....	Barbara McClure
Chair of Nominations.....	Suzanne McDavid
Member at Large.....	Carol Babel*

Appointed Officers

Education & Interpretation/Program Resources.....	Diana Mooney
Social Action Coordinator....	Caryl Bryan*
Membership Nurture & Outreach Coordinator.....	Kathy Lawson
Spiritual Growth Coordinator	Paula Richards
UMW Reading Program Coordinator.....	Rene' Rau*

***Not pictured**

