# The Mission Echo

SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN NEWSLETTER

### **Celebrating our VIRTUAL Connections!**

Written by Kimberly Love Quick

The September issue of Mission Echo is ready for all to enjoy! While we are in the midst of this COVID pandemic, I hope that you are all staying safe and keeping our Nation in prayer. We have had to cancel many events and adjust our way of living but what I know is that God has remained ever present. We conducted our first VIRTUAL Mission u this past summer and it was so good to see all of the Beautiful Smiles of our members. As we greeted each other, you could feel the joy and love! As we prepare for our upcoming virtual events, we are thankful for the technology that allows us to continue our mission of the United Methodist Women. Whether you found us on Facebook, received an email, or downloaded a copy on the UMW website, we are glad that you are taking a moment to see what's happening with the SC Conference UMW.

Grab a cup a cup of tea and take a moment to enjoy the September issue of Mission Echo!

A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another. - John 13:34-35 -

#### 2020 Conference Executive Team

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### **President's Report**

I send greetings of love and joy to all members of the South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women. I pray you are safe and well. I pray you are remaining connected to your Sisters in Christ, members of your circle, local unit, district and conference. We are all missing our gatherings in person, experiencing our new normal to stay isolated at home. Thankfully we are finding new ways to stay current with each other, to learn together and to see faces and hear voices we miss. God has gifted us with talent, resources and technology to provide that much needed connection with humanity. **God always provides a path forward, a way to serve as His loving family on earth. Thanks be to God.** 



SCCUMW President Cathy Ford

Thank you Saint Mark United Methodist Women, Taylors, Greenville district for invitation to your virtual High Tea at High Noon. I enjoyed spending time with you June 27th. It was a wonderful program and fruitful initiative to raise funds traditionally received at an in person event. Reverend Gadson, aka. Pastor T, Margaret Grayson, unit President, Avis Canty, presenter, and Rev. Dr Geraldine McClellan speaker along with many readers and musicians created an inspiring program. It was a lovely, festive and a spiritual time. I am most thankful to have been at your tea, virtually.

Our first ever virtual Mission u series proved to be a great time of learning and growing together in God's word. The Mission u Committee led by Betty Swinton, Dean, and Vanessa Key, Assistant Dean orchestrated a wonderful time of educational and spiritual growth in a virtual world. Much preparation by registrar Charm Eaddy resulted in a flawless on line time together. Our Bishop L. Jonathan Holston brought greeting and reminder to remain steadfast in faith, as we are the light of the world. Speaker Rev. Scarlett Hester led us through our text Finding Peace in an Anxious World, a perfect study topic for the summer of 2020. It was so exciting to have over 100 attendees for every session. Thanks also to Debra Schooler, Samoria Session and Selena Smith for leading our youth study on the same topic. Their creativity and skills in welcome and leadership was enjoyed by all. It is with much appreciation for those mentioned and all others working behind the scenes as the completed plans for a traditional event at Spartanburg Methodist College were put aside due to world pandemic and priority of safety and good health, and ALL NEW PLANS were created, completed and orchestrated for this wonderful series. **We have all been blessed to share in your tireless energy and hard work. Thank you!** 

Please be informed that we are cancelling the October Yard Sale for Missions. Support for our SC Mission projects remains a need. A yard sale is no longer a safe option as a means to provide financial aid. Your are encouraged to send donations to support Bethlehem Center, Spartanburg, Columbia Bethlehem Community Center, Killingsworth and Wallace Family Life. **Your prayers are always requested and appreciated.** 

Future 2020 events for the South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women will all become virtual activities. Our 48th Annual Meeting will be on Saturday October 24, hosted by Greenwood District as a virtual event. No travelling, time spent virtually will allow us celebration of 2020 and progress into 2021. Event chair Janice Eaddy will share the details.

Our District Officer Training was rescheduled to November 14th, Saturday with host Chapin United Methodist Women, Columbia District. This will be a virtual event with officer training held for the eleven elected offices, cluster leaders and historians, all without travel required. Event chair and Vice-President Janice Eaddy will share those details.

Our Southeast Jurisdiction election resulted in Sue Owens becoming President of the SEJ. Congratulations to Sue upon this prestigious election. Good luck to you as you serve the next four years. Thank you to Rebecca Eleazor for completing a four year term on Nominations. Sadly no other nominees from South Carolina were elected. I am most appreciative to Marlene Spencer and Maureen Thomas who ran for Board of Directors member. We await news of the PAG selections and pray for SC candidates to be chosen. We pray for God's hand to guide and lead the SEJ.

John 16:33 "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have **peace**. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world." Peace, Cathy Ford

### **Greetings South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women!**

Greetings South Carolina United Methodist Women!

It is my prayer that all of you are well and have escaped the virus or recovered fully if impacted by it in the past! God has truly captured the attention of our nation and shown us that there are different ways of accomplishing our goals.

With that thought in mind, we the members of the SCCUMW Program Committee met and decided to offer two virtual events.



SCCUMW Vice President Janice Cockfield Eaddy

Our 48th SCCUMW Annual Meeting will be held October 24th using two different sessions. This year's theme is "Let Your Light Shine In A New Decade" using Matthew 5:16 (Let your light shine before me, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven) as our chosen scripture. Rev. Thessa Smith will be our keynote speaker and Rev. Susan Maddox will be our bible study leader. There is no registration fee this year, and you have the option to register online at https://forms.gle/ncNqGoQ7285333mi6 or by mailing the enclosed paper registration form to our registrar, Marcia Miller.

Our hosts are Joyce Crouch, Mary Lynn Polk, Main Street UMW, and the ladies of the Greenwood District. Prior to our first session, there will be a virtual tour of Greenwood, so please join the ZOOM presentation early! Here is a preview of both sessions:

Session One: (10:00 - 11:30 am) Opening Ceremonies Bible Study Love Feast Memorial Service

Session Two: (1:00 - 2:30 pm) General Business Information Moments Special Music Keynote Speaker

Each of you are needed to make this year's event successful, and we are praying you have plans to join virtually. A ZOOM link will be sent to all registered participants at a later date.

SCCUMW District Officers' Training will be held Saturday, November 14th as a virtual event, also. This year's theme is "Commitment During This Time of Change!" Our hosts this year are Cornelia Smith of Chapin UMW and Sandra Love from the Columbia District. The event will begin at 10:00 am and end at 11:30 am. Our time together will include breakout sessions with your counterparts. Distict Presidents are reminded that their eleven elected officers, Historian, and Cluster Leaders are invited and expected to participate in these sessions. The Conference Officers are planning for the training and will be disappointed if your district officers are not present to receive the information.

Be Blessed my Sisters In Christ during this time of change! Janice Cockfield Eaddy

### A Note from our Conference Treasurer

Hello all SC United Methodist Women!! I pray everyone is safe and healthy during these very difficult times. I hope to see all of you at a virtual meeting sometime soon. Just a reminder to everyone, if you have an expense voucher that needs reimbursement, please have it signed and to me no later than 12/15/20.



Ruby Hannah Conference Treasurer

<u>Treasurers</u>, I will be expecting your third quarter remittance no later than 9/15/20 and your fourth quarter remittance no later than 12/15/20. Please be safe and stay healthy. I hope to see you all soon.

Ruby Hannah SCCUMW Treasurer

Special Emphasis Months

FEBRUARY - WALLACE FAMILY LIFE CENTER APRIL - COLUMBIA BETHLEHEM COMMUNITY CENTER SEPTEMBER - KILLINGSWORTH NOVEMBER - BETHLEHEM CENTER SPARTANBURG

### **Education & Interpretation**

Greetings Ladies,

It is my hope and prayers that everyone is doing everything they can to stay safe During this pandemic.

Our 48th SCCUMW Annual meeting will be held Virtually on Saturday October 24,2020. If you are going to be a mission today unit, I will need all of your reports by September 5th in order for me to get your church reported in the program book. Please note we will not be taking up offerings or registration. Please take this in consideration to ask your unit to donate money to our four Mission Projects. If you have any donations please mail checks payable to SCCUMW to Ruby Hannah 3015 Audubon Dr Hannah SC 29410.

As always I thank you for everything you do for our four Mission Projects and I am looking forward to seeing you at our Virtual officer training meeting November 14th, 2020 from 10:00- 11:30.

Please continue to support our mission if you are collecting old stamps and drink tabs. Please keep them until we are able to meet in person next year. I know this is a difficult time but we must continue to put our trust in God who is in control of all things! Stay safe, wear your mask and let's not forget to uplift our children that are returning back to school this year in prayer. Thank you for all that you do for the UMW, how you uphold our purpose and enhance the children and women all across the world.

Peace and blessings, Eunice White SCCUMW CONFERENCE EDUCATION AND INTERPRETATION COORDINATOR

### Together, We Are Building our Legacy

Our website www.unitedmethodistwomen.org contains an abundance of information and inspiration about the Legacy Fund. Please visit the site and meet others who support the Legacy Fund, including our 1869 foremothers. Many videos and testimonies will broaden your understanding and inspire giving. Here are the newest giving totals for the Legacy Fund.

Figures noted are from inception through June 30, 2020 for South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women. Thank you everyone for your involvement in this important endowment fund. The campaign continues to grow thanks to your generosity. Our future looks good.

Since inception up to **June 30, 2020 South Carolina Conference** contributions total **\$82,675.20**. Giving in 2020 alone totals **\$2,135.83** 

#### The account reached \$30,812,762 on August 11, 2020! We have reached 51% of the \$60 million total goal.

The **\$30,812,762** includes cash and **\$5,793,000** in planned gifts. Changes in the balance sheet are the result of fluctuations in the stock market.

**Our Impact:** From the beginning, United Methodist Women members have led the way in countless endeavors. Our membership is comprised of women from all backgrounds and experiences, compelled by their Christian faith to serve and lead in places near and far and in ways never imagined. This includes tutoring children and youth in after-school programs, volunteering at community food pantries, teaching Bible Study in churches, visiting the infirmed in hospitals, advocating against legislation and policies that marginalize women and children, and supporting the 100 National Mission Institutions in the United States and the 107 international organizations in 110 countries that provide a pathway to healthy, productive and empowered living. The reach and presence of United Methodist Women is felt far and wide, efforts having a deep and lasting impact on the lives of women, children and youth each and every day. This is what distinguishes United Methodist Women from other organizations, and attests to its longevity and relevance, today and especially in the years to come.

My time serving as your Legacy Liaison ends and a newly appointed person begins her service. I am most appreciative to past President Marlene Spencer for appointing me to this new position back in 2015. It truly was a wonderful job thanks to your support, generosity and eagerness to embrace the endowment fund. We shared our 150 Anniversary on March 23, 2019 together and the Legacy Fund grew. Thanks be to God. Thanks to you too!

Your South Carolina Conference Legacy Liaison, Cathy Ford



THE LEGACY FUND ENDOWMENT CAMPAIGN

### SCCUMW LEGACY LIAISON

Welcome Maureen Thomas to the position of SCCUMW Legacy Liaison.

As our Legacy Liaison, Maureen will represent us to the United Methodist Women National Legacy Fund Campaign. She will receive quarterly giving reports, special notices and latest news, brochures and updates to the campaign. The Legacy Fund, our permanent endowment, was created in advance of the 150 Year Anniversary of United Methodist Women on March 23, 2019. Originally intended to end in 2019, the campaign continues on. Our goal of \$60 million remains to be met. We continue to support it with both prayer and giving. Many of you will remember Maureen and her earlier work for the SCCUMW. She served as SCCUMW Treasurer 2012 – 2017 the first to hold that office for six year term. As treasurer she served on numerous committees and chaired both the Finance and Scholarship Committees. We welcome Maureen's return to the SCCUMW Executive Team. She will chair our Legacy Fund Committee.

Maureen resides in the Hartsville district. Her contact information is 821 E. Bobo Newsom Highway, Hartsville, SC 29550 with phone number #843-307-7145. Her email is jammauth@earthlink.net I am excited for Maureen to be part of our Executive Committee. I look forward to her work in promoting the Legacy Fund. Her deep understanding of financial matters and the passion of joyful giving make her the right person to share the giving opportunities to the Legacy Fund with us all. Please join me in welcoming her.

Peace, Cathy Ford President 2019-2020

# welcome back!

**MAUREEN THOMAS** 



#### "48th South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women Virtual Annual Meeting" Saturday, October 24, 2020 (Session One & Session Two) Host: Main Street UMC & Greenwood District

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Theme: "Let Your Light Shine In A New Decade"

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Mail registration form to: Marcia Miller 2211 Harmons Quarters Road Prosperity SC 29127 Mail donation checks payable to SCCUMW to Ruby Hannah 3015 Audubon Dr Hanahan SC 29410

### KILLINGSW RTH transforming women

Greetings from Killingsworth!

I want to thank you for your continuing support as we find ways to face the COVID-19 crisis at Killingsworth. We are coping with all of the inconveniences that everyone else is experiencing. Some of our women have been furloughed from their jobs but are getting back to work now. For a time, we were not accepting new residents, but we have opened back up to serve more women. Interviews are being held with hopes of getting back to capacity before long.

When residents were furloughed from their jobs, many received generous unemployment benefits checks and were able to stay current with rent. In the first weeks of the pandemic you faithful donors were very generous with monies designated as rent supplements – thank you to units and individuals who contributed to this effort.

There has been much information in the news about federal forgivable loans (Payroll Protection Program) for small business to use to cover some expenses created by the pandemic. We have received a check from this source to help cover salaries and utilities.

Our next big event is our Annual Golf Tournament scheduled for Monday September 14<sup>th</sup>. You will find information about this included in this newsletter. Please review the ways to support this event. Your participation will be greatly appreciated.

And then – for the first time ever, our Annual Gala will go virtual! Please save the date of Thursday November 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM. Plan to dress up and gather around your computers and iPads for this exciting event. If you feel that it is safe you might get a group of friends rounded up to watch together. Our event co-chairs tell me that we can expect talent, models, speakers, and our silent auction! More information will be coming your way in late September.

I spoke with our house manager recently and she talked about the need for cleaning products. The staff there faces the same limitations that we as individuals find when we shop – and one can of disinfecting spray or one package of bathroom tissue will not go very far at Killingsworth! They need the actual products from those of us who are near enough to them for dropping them off to be practical. Monetary donations are always welcome! And as always, the other expendable supplies are needed – laundry detergent, office supplies, postage stamps, rolls of quarters, first aid supplies to name a few. If you would like to place online orders and have them shipped to Killingsworth- the address is 1801 Pendleton Street, Columbia SC 29201.

For updated information about the home, the program, our events and all needs list you can always check out our website: Killingsworth-home.com

Thank you for all that you do as United Methodist Women to keep this ministry alive and healthy.

Jane Scott, SCCUMW Representative to Killingsworth



The Windermere Club | 1101 Longtown Road East, Blythewood, S.C. 29016 Monday, September 14, 2020 9:00 am Tee Time Captain's Choice & Shotgun Start



Participants pay a nonrefundable registration fee of \$80.00 in advance (checks payable to Killingsworth). Partial teams and individuals will be grouped to form a team. Cart, greens fee, range balls, prizes, and lunch are included. Full team registrations will be given priority and will be taken on a first come, first served basis. All proceeds go to Killingsworth, Inc. Contributions are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. ID 57-0659510.

For more info, registration & directions visit http://killingsworth-home.com/events/golf-tournament/

Mail Registration to: Killingsworth, Inc. 1831 Pendleton Street Columbia, SC 29201 | (803) 771-6359

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Additional Golfers' Names:

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Wallace Family Life Center

We have all entered into a season of great realization that God cannot be shutdown. We have been closed for a few months because the virus has required us to do many things to stay safe. We are getting back in the swing of things and know the importance of pressing on and doing mission work at Wallace Family Life Center.

The center has been professionally cleaned and we are stocked with the necessary supplies to maintain and follow the CDC guidelines. The rooms are set up for social distancing and we have the computers available for use incase parents and students need them.

We have provided food to families using the drive by delivery method. Close to sixty families have benefited from the food pantry. We are answering the calls and responding to the needs that are requested during this time of great need.

The Marlboro County School District will be using the Wallace Family Life Center as one of the drop off places for meals as they start this school year. We are thrill to be a resource in the area for the children.

We are very aware of the generosity of the many United Methodist Women of the South Carolina Conference. We say thanks and hugs for all you continue to do for all the Mission Projects, especially Wallace Family Life Center. Because of you this community is blessed and knows the love of others.

Clarice Blakeney, Wallace Family Life Center Representative

The LORD is my strength and my song; He has given me victory. This is my GOD, and I will praise him... Exodus 15:2

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The South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women Education & Interpretation Committee will hold a YARD SALE to support our four SC mission projects.

Our Yard Sale will take mace morning of Saturday October 3th at Grace United Methodist Church 410 Harbson Boulevard in Columbia.

All proceeds will be divided evenly between our tool SC mesion projects, Bethlehem Center Spantanioung, Columbia Bethlehem Community Center, Killingsworth, and Wallace Family Life Center.

ep this event in mind as you begin spring cleaning and organizing closets this year!

Donations of items from your home are needed.

# **2020 SCCUMW Officers**



Cathy Ford, President cathylford@gmail.com



Janice Eaddy, Vice President jeaddy2@yahoo.com



Linda Eichenbaum, Social Action lve2551@sccoast.net

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### **2021 Officer Nominations**

Final Report to Board South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women

**President**  $-2^{nd}$  of 2 year term Cathy Ford Vice President  $-2^{nd}$  of 2 year term Janice Eaddy Secretary  $-1^{st}$  of 2 year term Dr. Renee M. Ritter **Communications**  $-2^{nd}$  of 2 year term Kim Love Quick Social Action  $-2^{nd}$  of 2 year term Linda Eichenbaum Sec Program Resources – 1<sup>st</sup> of 2 year term Shirley Crosby **MN&O**  $- 2^{nd}$  of 2 year term Lavonne James Spiritual Growth-1st of 2 year term Vickie Harvey Chair Committee on Nominations -1<sup>st</sup> of 2 year term Kathy Roys CON 2024 Azilee Dickey (4 year term) CON 2024 Velva Ellerbe (4 year term)

CON 2024 Sandra Love (4 year term)

# Whoever wants to be a leader among you must be your servant.

Matthew 20:26

### 48<sup>th</sup> South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women Annual Meeting October 24, 2020

### Submission Deadline: September 24, 2020

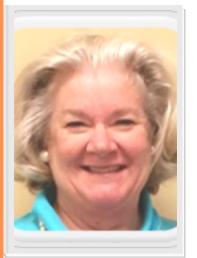
The United Methodist Women's bylaw's allows for nominations from within the conference. Please use this form for nominations for this year's extraordinary virtual meeting and election.

Use this form and submit to . Mary Cabaniss, conference chairman, nominating committee

Email: cabaniss.m.e@gmail.com

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# Conference President Cathy Ford

Cathy is currently serving a two year term as President of the South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women 2019-2020. She chairs the SCCUMW Executive Committee and Committee on Charter for Racial Justice. She has served as Conference Legacy Liaison since appointment in October 2015. She is a member of the Annual Conference Committee, logistics team. For the vears 2015-2018 Cathy served on Anderson District Connectional Ministries' Outreach Team and SC Conference COSROW, Committee on Status and Role of Women. Cathy served four years as Membership Nurture and Outreach chair and Vice-President for the South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women. From the years 2006 to 2009 Cathy was honored to serve as Anderson District Secretary of Program Resources. She completed four year terms as the Trinity United Methodist Women Unit Education and Interpretation Mission Coordinator and Secretary of Program Resources. She is a faithful member of the Susanna Wesley Circle having been its co-leader three times. Cathy has completed the Reading Program Plan Four (20 books) every year since 2005.

Cathy is a member of Trinity United Methodist Church in Anderson. She has served as Trinity's Outreach Chairperson and co founded a yarn ministry. She led Creative Hearts and Hands for six years during which time they donated over two items per day to local charities, hospitals and international Christian ministries. Her newest ministry at Trinity is the Card Ministry Team, organized in 2014 meeting monthly sending greetings to shut-ins.

Cathy leads a reading group, The Page Turners at the Anderson County Library. She volunteers at the Anderson County Museum Roper Research Room and entrance desk. She participates in Days for Girls sewing projects in Seneca. Cathy contributes hand knit items to the Craft Room at Mission u and has taught knitting at the Adult Education Center, Hancock Fabrics and to women in the addiction recovery program at Under His Wings, Haven of Rest. In addition to reading and knitting she enjoys attending Mission u. She is blessed with a loving husband David, one son Trey and a 95 year young Mom whose mother lived to be 105.

"Serving the United Methodist Women on the Conference level has been a truly enlightening, joyful and spiritually uplifting experience. I have met so very many great ladies, true women of God.

With God's help I promise to continue to work hard for all the women, children and youth in our South Carolina Conference."



# VIce President Janice Eaddy

Janice Cockfield Eaddy is a member of Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church in Lake City, where she has served in various capacities including church treasurer, trustee, usher, and Sunday school teacher. Currently she chairs the Staff Parish Relations Committee.

Janice has served her local UMW unit as President, Treasurer, and Secretary. On the Florence District UMW, she served as President, Treasurer, and Secretary.

As a previous conference officer, Janice has served as Treasurer, Committee on Nominations member, Chairperson, and Assistant Dean for the School of Christian Mission. Currently, she is serving as Vice President. Janice served as the treasurer for the SEJ Planning Team, also.

Janice is a member of various community organizations and serves on a plethora of community Boards. She is employed with First Citizens Bank as a Vice President and Licensed Financial Sales Manager. Janice truly loves United Methodist Women and its PURPOSE!

# Secretary Dr. Renee Ritter



Dr. Renee M. Ritter has 30 years of professional experience in education serving as a teacher and an administrator. Actively involved in the church and the community, she is in ministry with her husband, Rev. Stanley B. Ritter, and is the First Lady of Ebenezer and Rizer's Chapel United Methodist Churches in Bamberg County. Renee is also a Certified Lay Servant and a VBS teacher. In the community, she is a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and serves as a Guardian Ad Litem volunteer for neglected and abused children. Renee is currently employed as the Adult Education Director at Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College. As the proud mother of 3 daughters – Valoria, Vondria and Verneda, she enjoys and loves working with children and teenagers. She believes that if she can lead just one person to a better life through education and Christ, then her living has not been in vain.

# Communications Chair Kimberly Love Quick



Kimberly Love Quick is a Consultant for CoForge Technology. She is married to Rev. Dr. Martin Quick who is an Associate Pastor for Journey Church in Columbia South Carolina.

Kimberly has served as the Communications Chair for SCCUMW for the past 2 years. She is also the Board Chairperson for Killingsworth Women's Home. Kimberly has been a member of Toastmasters International and had the honor of serving as the District Director for state of South Carolina. Kimberly is also a member of the Illustrious Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated. Kimberly attended Clemson University and earned a BA in English with a minor in Communications.

# Secretary Program Resources Shirley Crosby



Shirley Crosby lives in Spartanburg with her husband Bernard. They have a dog named Bentley.

She is a graduate of Claflin College (Now University) in Orangeburg, SC and has worked as Case Manger for the past 19 years in Mental Health arena.

Shirley is a active member of Friends in Christ United Methodist Church in Chesnee, SC where she currently serves as the Treasurer and held the position as President of the united Methodist women. Shirley serves on the nomination committee of her church and now serves on the PPRC Committee, and sings on the choir.

Shirley have been involved in the conference as the Spartanburg Bethlehem Center representative. Now serves on the Bethlehem Center board. Shirley serve on the Spartanburg district as Education and Interpretation. Served on the Protection and Advocacy board for many years.



# Membership Nurture and Outreach Lavonne James

Lavonne James is a member of Mt. Zion United Methodist Church in Sumter. She is currently the Sumter Cluster Leader for the Hartsville District and treasurer for her local church. In the past she has served as both treasurer and unit president in the local church.

Lavonne is a registered nurse and currently works at Fresenius Kidney Care.

Lavonne is married to a wonderful, supportive husband, Timothy James. They have three daughters and a son and are the proud grandparents of one grandson, Mason.



Spiritual Growth Coordinator Vicky Harvey

Vickie Harvey has been nominated for Spiritual Growth Coordinator. A graduate of Winthrop and Clemson, she worked with Special Needs Children her entire career. Vickie is currently president of the Spartanburg District UMW and also held the job of Spiritual Growth Coordinator and Vice-President. She attends Trinity UMC in Spartanburg where she is a circle leader for UMW. Vickie is married to Dick Harvey and they have 3 children , 4 grands and 1 pending!

## Social Action Linda Eichenbaum



Linda Eichenbaum, Social Action

Born in Virginia, I was reared and educated in the San Francisco Bay area of California. Returning to Virginia as an adult, I raised two beautiful and loving children, earned my Master's Degree in Psychology, enjoyed a very challenging 35-year career in Adult Probation & Parole and ALWAYS, ALWAYS was very active in our Northern Virginia Church -- Social Action, Missions, Homeless Prevention Services and Choir.

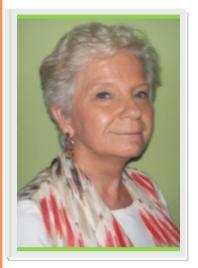
In 2002 we retired to Myrtle Beach so my husband could pursue endless golf and sunshine and so that I might be closer to my RN daughter and granddaughters and to my Psychologist son. I love the broad range of service opportunities in Horry County and am most passionate about my very active 15-year involvement with the Volunteer Guardian ad Litem Program, driving patients for the American Cancer Society, and the significant mission work of our Trinity United Methodist Church in North Myrtle Beach.

I've been a Susanna Wesley Circle Officer, Unit Secretary and Social Action Chair, and Marion District Social Action Chair. My focus has been Quality Education for All Our Children, Criminal Justice Reform, and Human Trafficking. Past significant volunteer work included school volunteerism, Hospice work, and Scouting. I have been an active member of the Eastern Carolina Coalition Against Human Trafficking for almost ten years and also work with the J-1 Program in Horry County. I have a particular fondness for our seasoned saints and God's most vulnerable children. I truly believe that we ARE the Hands and Feet of Christ and we should wend our way to Heaven and joyfully enter -- totally spent of our energies, our resources, and our gifts.

I look forward to exploring new ways to energize our beautiful United Methodist Women to BOLD ACTION on behalf of all of God's children!

Linda Eichenbaum

# Membership Nurture and Outreach Velva Ellerbe



I have lived in Georgetown most of my life and attend Duncan Memorial United Methodist Church. My four children and nine grandchildren keep me busy, but I am also working part time.

I served as Secretary, Vice President and President of our local UMW unit. Then I served the Marion District UMW as Secretary of Program Resource, Vice-President and President. Currently I am finishing up a four year term as Secretary of Program Resource for the Conference UMW. I consider it a privilege to serve where I can.



### Committee on Nominations Sandra Love

Sandra is an active member of Grace United Methodist Columbia. She serves on the Evangelism committee, member of Loft Sunday School class and sings on the choir. Previously served as President and Secretary of her local unit. She is in her fourth year as President of Columbia District United Methodist Women and also serves on the Board of Killingsworth.

She retired from AT&T with 35 years of service in 2008 as Staff Support Manager. Currently working as clerical support at Lexington/Richland School District Five in the Office of Communications. She is married to Richard Love. We have two daughters, two son-nlaws and seven grandchildren.



### Committee on Nominations Chairperson Kathy Roys

Kathy is a member of St. James United Methodist Church in Goose Creek where she is a Missions co-chair and serves on Nominations. She has served in several positions in her local UMW unit including circle leader, social action coordinator, nominations chairperson, and president. With the Charleston District UMW, she was a cluster leader, Chair of Nominations, and President. She is now serving on the SCCUMW Nominations Committee..



#### Committee on Nominations Azilee Dickey

Azilee attended the public schools of Pageland SC and Queens NY, additional studies at the USC. Widow of Lt. Richard B Dickey, Michelle and Michael Dickey(deceased) and grandmother of Enrick and Stroll. A member of Asbury-Shiloh UMC, she serves as Lay Leader, Treasurer, Usher, VBS, Member of Adult, Senior and Inspiration Choirs.Certified Lay Servant Instructor and Certified Lay Servant, member of BMCR, the Florence District Praise and Worship Choir she bowls and loves to fish.

# We all say Good Morning!

- G Get up!
- O Open your heart.
- O Open your mind.
- D Dedicate your day to God.
- M Meditate on God's word.
- O Optimize your faith and hope.
- **R** Rebuke all evils.
- N Never doubt God's love.
- I Inspire someone.
- N Nothing should scare you.
- **G** Go out with joy.