



United
Women
in Faith

Greenwood District United Women in Faith News A Plenty

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LINDA KIDD, EDITOR

A Faith That Unites

Broad Street UWF Host Greenwood District UWF Annual Meeting

Attendees Learn About The Good Things Happening At Killingsworth Home

Carol Marse (top left), President of Greenwood District United Women in Faith, welcomes attendees to this year's District Annual Meeting held at Broad Street UMC in Clinton on Saturday, September 23. She introduced Susan Sirmon, Executive Director of the Killingsworth Home in Columbia (bottom left) who was the Guest Speaker. Killingsworth is one of the four mission projects of the Greenwood District UWF.





News from Greenwood District UWF

Vice President

By Carol Marse

My wish for each of you is a blessed Christmas, filled with love, joy and peace. Our hearts are filled to overflowing with gratitude for the gift of our Savior's birth. I pray you have a few moments to reflect on the magnitude of His glorious birth.

The "World Methodist Social Affirmation" reminds us to...

Rejoice in every sign of God's kingdom:

In the upholding of human dignity and community;

In every expression of love, justice and reconciliation;

In each act of self-giving on behalf of others;

In the abundance of God's gifts entrusted to us.

Glory be to God on High, and on earth, peace (THE UNITED METHODIST HYMNAL, p. 886).

Truly this time of the year we are thankful for the abundance of God's gifts, especially our Savior, born in Bethlehem. We are called to love and serve others, to share our abundance. In this season of gift giving, we remember those in our local areas who are in need and the four projects in South Carolina (the Bethlehem Centers, Killingsworth Home, and the Wallace Family Life Center). For these worthy programs to continue we must remember them with gifts of monetary donations and/or requested items.

We look forward to our District Day Apart on March 2, 2024 at Tranquil United Methodist Church in Greenwood. Spiritual Growth Chair, Dr. Mary Lynn Polk, always prepares an inspirational program for us. Thanks go to Martha Vincent and the ladies of Tranquil UMC for hosting the District Day Apart. Please plan to attend and bring someone with you!!

Several of your officers attended the Conference Officers Training in Columbia on November 11 at Trenholm Road United Methodist Church. Sarah Greene, Patti Nelson, Nancy Roebuck and I received vital information to enable us to fulfill our duties.

We bid good-bye to two important members of the Executive Committee. Marcia Miller has served so beautifully as Treasurer. We appreciate Marcia and will certainly miss her; she has done a wonderful job. Linda Kidd has done superlative work as Communications Chair. For many years she has done an amazing job producing our "News-A-Plenty." Linda reminds us to submit our articles; she remembers all the Conference deadlines and events. The professional quality of our newsletter is well known! A huge thank you goes out to both of these dynamic ladies!!

I want to thank all the members of the Executive Committee who serve so faithfully. These ladies make a great team as they work for you in the Greenwood District United Women in Faith!!!

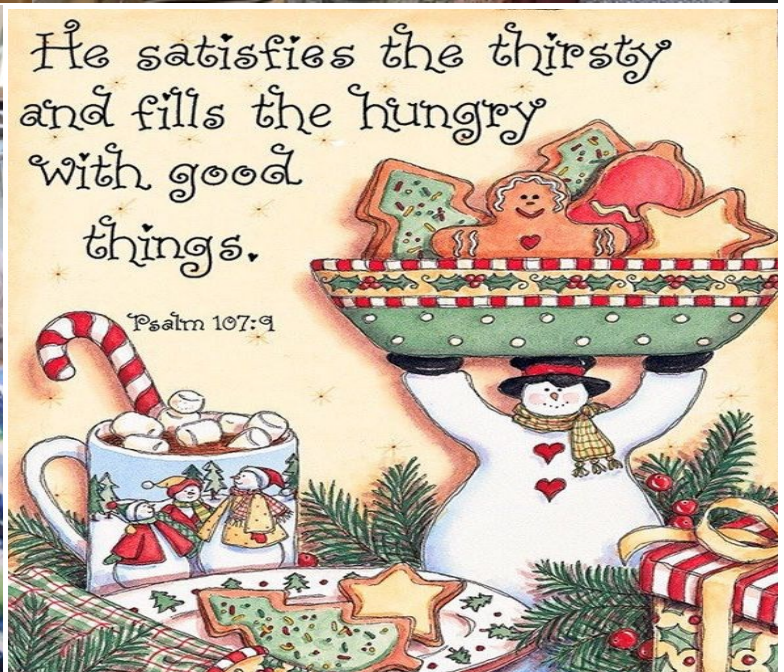
Merry Christmas!
Carol



Broad Street UMC in Clinton Welcomed Greenwood District UWF With Smiles, Beautiful Music, and Wonderful Fellowship!



At this year's Greenwood District UWF Annual Meeting on September 23, ladies in attendance were greeted with open arms and welcoming smiles! Proof of that is found in these pictures. (Left) Participants on the program were (left to right) Ruth McDaniel, Organist; Rev. Justin Ritter, Broad Street UMC Pastor; and Jeramy Oropeza, Director of Music & Worship Arts, and soloist. (Below left) Jeremy sang "Arise My Soul Arise" by Dan Forrest (Below right—left to right) Broad Street UWF who hosted the Annual Meeting: Lisa Machione, Patti Nelson, Beth Copeland, and Lucy Finney.





**Installation
of 2024
Greenwood
District
Officers:**

*“Let
Your
Lights
Shine!”*

2024 Greenwood District UWF Officers elected and installed are (left to right) (first row) Betty Swann, Secretary; Sarah Greene, Education/Interpretation Coordinator; Linda Woods, Nominations Committee; Joyce Crouch, Immediate Past President who installed the officers; Carolyn Cantrell, Program Resources Coordinator; Carol Marse, President; (second row) Ellen Schumpert, Nominations Committee; Rebecca McDonald, Social Action Coordinator; Zella Williams, Historian; Patti Nelson, Treasurer; and Nancy Roebuck, Membership Coordinator. Not pictured: Mary Lynn Polk, Spiritual Growth Coordinator.

Joyce Crouch, Immediate Past President, led the installation of 2024 Officers using this scripture: 2 Timothy 1: 6 – “For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you ...”

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THE READING CORNER

News from Greenwood District UWF Program Resources Coordinator

By Carolyn Cantrell

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

As I promised at the Annual Meeting I have included some book reviews in this newsletter.

Leadership Category-*Who is Florence Price?* By Kaufman Music Center et al. This is a very good book about a brilliant musician who prevailed against race and gender prejudices to achieve significant acclaim. At four years old she played her first piano concert with the dream to one day hear her music played in public that she wrote. This book is suitable for children

Nurturing for Community-*Maid: Hard Work, Low Pay, and a Mother's Will to Survive* by Stephanie Land explores the lives of the working poor through one single mother. Forced to work as a housekeeper and survive on food stamps to support herself and her young daughter. This is a story of overworked and under paid Americans. Highly recommend by myself for everyone.

Social Action-*The Nickel Boys* by Colson Whitehead. A biography. Two young boys finding themselves in a reform school called the Nickel Academy. Trapped in a chamber of horrors. This took place in Tallahassee in 1960 and the school has warped the lives of thousands over its 111 years of operation.

Enjoy your reading journey and may the books you choose nourish your soul, strengthen your understanding of injustices and equip each of you to work in the Spirit.

Carolyn



Faith Talks

Monthly Conversations With United Women in Faith

Each conversation explores themes and resources that empower us to put faith, hope and love into action.

To find out more, visit

<http://www.uwfaith.org>.

Most podcasts are about one hour in length. When you listen to two podcasts, you can count them as reading one book in the UWF Reading Program.





United Women in Faith

REMITTANCE FORM FOR ALL TREASURERS

Thank you for giving

Local Unit: _____ Remittance #: _____

District: _____ Date: _____

Conference: _____ Period From: _____ To: _____

Local: Submit Remittances Form to district treasurer with every check to explain how the money should be used.

District: Consolidate local remittances. Submit Remittance Form (online or paper) to conference treasurer with check.

Conference: Consolidate district remittances. Submit Remittance Form (online or paper) to national office with check.

MISSION GIVING	\$ Donation
1.Pledge to Mission (general)	
For Conference only: Minus designated percentage of Pledge (retained for budget)	
2.Special Mission Recognition (SMR)	
3.Gift to Mission (GTM)	
4.Gift in Memory (GIM)	
5.World Thank Offering	
*All five channels help fund the budget and count for Pledge goal. Sub-Total Mission Giving	\$
SUPPLEMENTARY GIFTS **	\$ Donation
6.A Call to Prayer and Self-Denial #3001145	
7a.A Brighter Future for Children and Youth #3001146	
7b.Assembly Offering #3001148	
7c.United Methodist Women Project Names & Codes (list below):	
7d.Enter Total from Supplementary Gifts Details Form (if attached to list more projects)	
8.Bequests #3001177 (attach copy of an excerpt of will)	
9.Other designated gifts (list):	
6-9 are unbudgeted extra support for specific projects. Sub-Total Supplementary Gifts	\$

Make check payable to: _____ **TOTAL CHECK** \$ _____

Last remittance of year due: _____ Check Number _____

Prepared by: _____, Treasurer

Members of Greenwood District UWF Attend SCCUWF Annual Meeting



These ladies from the Greenwood District UWF attended the 2023 SC Conference United Women in Faith Annual Meeting held October 20-21 at St. John's United Methodist Church in Aiken, SC. Those attending were (left to right): Freddie Mills, Peggy Berley, Cile Cely and Carol Marse, Greenwood District UWF President. This year's theme was "Unity in Christ". At left below is SCCUWF President Clarice Blakeney with Carol Marse, Greenwood District UWF President. At right below is Rev. Shirley Peterson Gordon, Keynote Speaker.



Unity In Christ



Special Notice

Greenwood District UWF will not have Local Unit Officers Training in January 2024!

If your unit has new officers that need information about their position, please call Carol Marse, Greenwood District UWF President, and she will put them in touch with their counterpart to discuss their position. You can email or text Carol at carolmarse@aol.com or (803) 920-7509. Thank you!

SAVE THE DATE!

**Greenwood District UWF
Day Apart**

Saturday, March 2, 2024

**Tranquil United Methodist Church
1702 McCormick Highway, Greenwood, SC
864-223-5333**

NOTE: More details about this event will be forthcoming in the February issue of News A Plenty—please reserve this date on your calendars!



**Greenwood District UWF Officers
Attend SCCUWF Officers' Training**

As we begin a new year in United Women in Faith, it is important that officers are equipped for their positions of service. This is accomplished through the SCCUWF Annual District UWF Officers' Training. This year's event was held at Trenholm Road United Methodist Church in Columbia on November 11. Guest speaker was Rev. Kathy James, Director of Church Relations at Epworth Children's Home. She informed those in attendance about new services that Epworth is providing. Attending the training from the Greenwood District UWF were (seated—left to right) Carol Marse, President; Sarah Greene, Education/ Interpretation Coordinator & Cluster Leader Coordinator; (standing, left to right) Patti Nelson, Treasurer; and Nancy Roebuck, Membership Coordinator.

Greenwood District United Women in Faith 2024 Calendar of Events

January 6, 2024— 11 a.m.—Virtual Book Talk

February, 2024—News-A-Plenty Articles Due

February, 2024—Special Emphasis Month—Wallace Family Life Center

Legislative Advocacy Days:

February 8 and 15—6:30 p.m.

February 17, 2024—11 a.m.—Virtual Book Talk

February 24, 2024—1 p.m.—Virtual Book Talk

March 2, 2024—District UWF Day Apart—Tranquil UMC, Greenwood, SC

March 9, 2024—1 p.m.—Virtual Book Talk

March 23, 2024—Legacy Fund Day of Giving—155th year

April, 2024—Special Emphasis Month—Bethlehem Community Center, Columbia, SC

April 19-21, 2024—Southeastern Jurisdiction Quadrennial Event—Chattanooga, TN

May 18, 2024— Come Together Be Together/9:30 am/Florence District UWF host - Virtual

June, 2024—News-A-Plenty Articles Due

June 22, 2024 – Charter for Racial + Environmental Justice Event/Virtual

July 18-20, 2024—Mission u, Spartanburg Methodist College, Spartanburg, SC

August, 2024—News-A-Plenty Articles Due

September 28, 2024—District UWF Annual Meeting—Wightman UMC, Prosperity, SC

September, 2024 – Killingsworth Special Emphasis Month

October, 2024 – Bethlehem Center -Spartanburg Special Emphasis Month

October 25-26, 2024– SCCUWF 52nd Annual Meeting—Woodland UMC, Rock Hill

District

November 9, 2024 – District Officers Training/ Columbia District Host

Get to Know Your Cluster Friends!

Cluster 1

Leader: Sarah Greene

(803) 321-2506 (H)

(803) 271-2903 (C)

Aldersgate

Bethel

Cambridge

Ebenezer

Harmony

Harris

Hodges

Lowell Sreet

Lupo

Main Street – Greenwood

Matthews

Mays

McCormick

Mt. Bethel – Greenwood

Mt. Carmel – Ninety Six

Panola

Rehoboth

Republican

St. Mark

St. Paul – Plum Branch

St. Paul – Ninety Six

Tranquil

Trinity – Greenwood

Troy

Ware Shoals

Cluster 2

Leader: Sarah Greene

803) 321-2506 (H)

(803) 271-2903 (C)

Broad Street

Capers Chapel – Pomaria

Central

Central/Sandy Springs – Laurens

Epting Memorial

Epworth

First – Laurens

Hopewell – Sharon

Lewis Memorial

Mt. Carmel – Laurens

Mt. Pleasant – Pomaria

New Hope – Pomaria

O'Neal Street

Soule Chapel

Springdale

St. James

Trinity – Newberry

Trinity

Waterloo

Wightman

Zion – Prosperity

Cluster 3

Leader: Mary Ann Bayer

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maryatbayer@gmail.com

Bath

Belvedere

Bethany – Saluda

Capers Chapel –N. Augusta/Beech

Island

Edgefield

Emory

Grace

Harmony – Johnston

Johnston

Langley

Leesville

McKendree

Monetta

Nazareth

Pentecost

St. John – Batesburg

St. John – Graniteville

St. Paul – Saluda

Trenton

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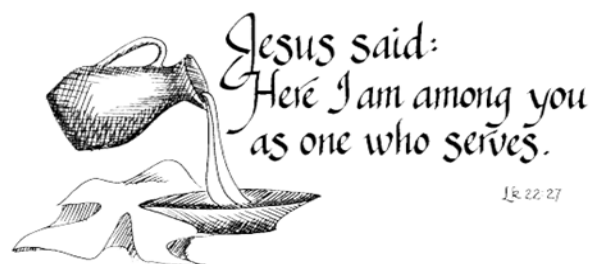
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Wondering What Your Officer Duties Are?

If you are an officer in your Local UWF Unit and wondering what the duties of your position are, feel free to contact the District Officer listed here in your position and ask them for help.



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<https://uwfaith.org>



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The organized unit of United Women in Faith 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.