



United
Women
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NEWSLETTER
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A Message from the Presidents

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"Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it."
1 Corinthians 12 (NIV)

Sisters, Join Us on Sunday September 21 to celebrate "United Women in Faith"-- God is asking us to do more, but not to do it alone!

UWF Sunday is a time to highlight **who we are** and **what we do** as an organization at Church of the Saviour!

OUR MISSION: Empowered by faith in God, Church of the Saviour United Women in Faith inspires people of all ages to join and serve the needs of our church, our community, and the world.

We are part of the national organization, <https://uwfaith.org/>, that fosters spiritual growth, develops leadership, advocates for justice, and educates for mission. Together we serve our community by providing support and outreach.

Some facts about our local unit at Church of the Saviour:

- We are one of the largest groups of United Women in Faith in the Great Miami River District.
- We have **200+** members.
- We provide opportunities for transformative learning and faithful service through small groups.
- Our board of directors meets monthly on the first Monday of the month.
- Gifts from the Heart, Project 5000, the Children's Closet, Rummage Sale, Silent Auction, and Holiday Pie sale are some of the many service projects we organize.
- In 2024, we donated over **\$65,000.00** in combined cash and in-kind giving.

What can you expect on Sunday September 21st?

- Join in a **hands-on mission project** in the fellowship hall where we will be assembling nourishing snack bags for the children of Wesley Education Center to enjoy after school.
- **Speak with our membership team** at the welcome table to pick up an informative brochure.
- Check out **ways to connect to a small group, bible study or upcoming project**.
- Stop by the volunteer table to **sign up for a project** that you are interested in as we need help with many mission projects throughout the year. Check out the prayer shawls, squares and baby blankets that Lydia Needlecrafters make--they are a strong active ministry who help people going through illness, surgery, or a difficult season of life.
- Finally **enjoy coffee, apple cider donuts and fellowship**. We want to talk with you and answer any questions you may have about UWF!

Finally, each Sunday in October, **Holiday Pie** sales and collection for the **Silent Auction** (November 2) will take place!

Start deciding **now**, how many of those delicious pies you will need and what you want to donate to the Silent Auction!! **YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS these fun events!**

Our next board meeting is by zoom on October 6! All are welcome to attend.

Blessings to you dear sisters,

Ginny Kindberg, Co-President UWF

The next UWF Board meeting is on Monday **OCTOBER 6 (10 am-noon) on Zoom. All are welcome to attend.** If you have any questions or need the Zoom link, contact Ginny Kindberg (513-225-5123).

This
Month's
Meetings

Last
Month's
Activities



Last month Susanna Wesley Women in Mission filled "Street Outreach" bags for the Salvation Army's Anti-human trafficking program.

SMALL GROUP MEETINGS FOR OCTOBER

Everyone is welcome at any of our monthly gatherings. Contact the leader to be sure you have all the details.

TUESDAY: 3rd Tuesday Morning Hannah | Group Leaders: Euphazine Reid-Kendall (678-857-8362) and Marilyn Clark (513-909-6878)

October 21 (9:00 am) church parking lot: The Hannah Group will tour the Wesley Dayton Baby Ready/Infant Mortality Program (3730 Delphos Ave, Dayton, Ohio 45417). This program is for expectant mothers and families with a child under 1 year old. The program, started in 2004, has services of home visits, case management, Doula Services, referrals to healthcare and childcare, birthing classes, support group, and employment training and placement as well as community resources. We will leave the church parking lot at 9:00 am and carpool to location to save time and gas. Call Marilyn or Kendall if you have questions.

WEDNESDAY: Lydia Needlecrafters (1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month) 5:30 pm in the church parlor | Leader: Pam Senefeld (513-314-5042)

Wednesday, October 1 and 15 (5:30-7:00 pm): Lydia Needlecrafters will meet on Wednesday October 1 in the parlor and on October 15 in room 119. We welcome any new needlecrafters! We even teach knitting 101 providing the needles and yarn. "Come and see" (John 1: 46 TLV) what we are doing as followers of Christ. We donated 100 prayer squares to Ancient Path Ministries in Cuba at our last meeting in September. Pastor Kevin Jobe came to bless them in Spanish! Join us for fun, fellowship, and hands-on mission work. Contact Pam Senefeld if you have questions or if you need a prayer shawl or prayer square contact Pam, Bonnie Nesbitt or Carrie Feldmeyer.

First MONDAY or TUESDAY: Susanna Wesley Women in Mission | Leader: Mary Jane Sper (513-476-7250 or mjsper@gmail.com)

October 6 (7:00 pm): Join Susanna Wesley Women in Mission in Room 119 at church. This month's program is to collect items for the monthly birthday parties at Bethany House Shelter. We'll also meet and greet Rev. Dr. Carrie Wegenast.

Use the signup genius link below to donate items for the birthday parties.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4EAEA72AA2FB-CF8-51230163-birthday>

TUESDAY: Esther Laird Friendship Group (3rd Tuesday of each month—1:00 pm) | Leaders: Britt Raymond (brittie.raymond@gmail.com/513-375-4403) and Leah Hondorf (lhondorf@yahoo.com/ 513-304-5224)

Tuesday, October 21 (1:00 pm): Please join the Esther Laird Friendship group at Twin Lakes chapel. We will gather for a time of communion, prayer, and a mission project. This month we will begin prepping the angels for Gifts from the Heart. Please reach out to Leah Hondorf or Britt Raymond.

SATURDAY: Moms & Kids Small Group | Leader: Kristine Kahl (Kristine.f.guevara@sbcglobal.net)

Monday, October 13 (11 am-1 pm) in the church Kitchen and Dining Room: Moms & Kids will assemble sack lunches for the community served by St. Francis Seraph. We'll make PB&J sandwiches and assemble lunch bags. Make sure to pack and bring your own lunch, as we'll head to Summit Park for a picnic lunch afterward!

UWF Bible Study (1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the Month 7:00 pm) on Zoom | Contact Person: Jennifer Ehlers (mehlers4@aol.com)

Wednesday, October 1 and 15: UWF's Wednesday Evening Bible Study group will continue to meet via Zoom. The study for the fall is Max Lucado's *Help is Here...Finding FRESH STRENGTH And PURPOSE in the POWER of the HOLY SPIRIT*. Contact Jennifer Ehlers for the zoom link.

Delicious Pies for Sale!

Craving a slice of perfection? Support a UWF Missions and enjoy a delicious pie! Just in time for Thanksgiving, we are selling Pie Peddler's freshly baked pies.

- Price: \$20 each, *payment due at time of pick up.*
- Varieties available: Apple, Dutch Apple, Cherry, Blueberry, Chocolate, Lemon, Coconut and Pecan
- Order at our Pie Table in Fellowship Hall on October 12, 19, and 26.
- Or click the link to order anytime in September and October, <https://forms.gle/e28VwncNUqDUWSeH6>
- For questions, ☎ Call/Text: Jenny Motley at (513) 658-0982.
- Pick up Date: **November 2 in the Fellowship Hall.**
- Unordered pies will be sold November 2 as first come, first served.

Pies will be delivered fresh on November 2, have a shelf life of up to 5 days, but **CAN BE FROZEN FOR UP TO 2 MONTHS.** Treat yourself and share with friends and family!



The Children's Closet is Supporting Wesley Chapel Mission Center for OCTOBER

This month, our Children's Closet is supporting Wesley Chapel Mission Center's Christmas Shop!

Our Children's Closet, located in the colorful cabinet across the hall from the church office, is collecting **small gift items that children served by the Wesley Chapel Mission Center can give as Christmas presents to family members.**

WCMC is a UMC ministry that provides afterschool programs for children and youth, preK-12, and their families in downtown Cincinnati. Each holiday season, Church of the Saviour partners with WCMC to create a Christmas Shop where kids can pick out gifts to give to their family members.

Help make a child's Christmas season special this year by **donating new or gently used jewelry, home goods, scarves, gloves, games, toys, and more.** Questions can be directed to Regan Murray Mitchell, Children's Closet Coordinator (reganmurray@hotmail.com).

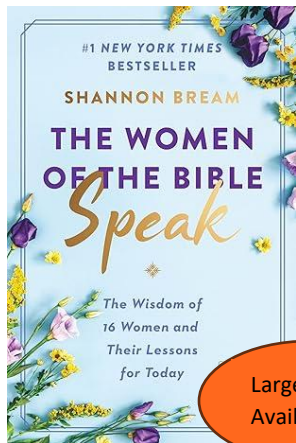


United Women in Faith Book Discussion ANNOUNCES Its Spiritual Growth Fall Selection Book ...

Book Group Discussion: Thursday, October 23 (7:00 pm) in the church Library. Consider reading the following book this fall and join us for a UWF discussion. All are welcome! We'll discuss the first 4 chapters in October and the last 4 chapters in the spring.

***The Women of the Bible Speak: The Wisdom of 16 Women and Their Lessons for Today* by Shannon Bream**

People unfamiliar with Scripture often assume that women play a small, secondary role in the Bible. But in fact, they were central figures in numerous Biblical tales. It was Queen Esther's bravery at a vital point in history which saved her entire people. The Bible contains warriors like Jael, judges like Deborah, and prophets like Miriam. The first person to witness Jesus' resurrection was Mary Magdalene, who promptly became the first Christian evangelist, eager to share the news which would change the world forever.



Contact Mary Jane Sper
(mjsper@gmail.com/513-476-7250) to save your space in this book discussion or if you have questions.)



SILENT AUCTION IS BACK AGAIN!

This year's Silent Auction will be on Sunday, November 2 (10:30 am-12:30 pm). All the proceeds from the auction will go to Wesley Chapel Mission Center and other local missions.

Please start thinking about what YOU can donate! How about tickets to a sporting event or a concert? How about a round of golf from your favorite golf course? Do you own a timeshare or have points for airline tickets? Be creative! Be bold! Let's make this bigger and better than last year.

Below is the link to sign up. If you have questions, email Karalyn Voorhorst at pkvoorhorst@gmail.com

Use the link below to sign up ...

<https://forms.gle/rVbmDEWhMtGq4rMg8>

United Women in Faith Social Justice

from Karen VanWagenen (513-325-2849), Social Justice Coordinator

A Newsletter for Peace, Justice and Faith

I want to share an incredible resource with you. The General Board of Church and Society of the United Methodist Church provides a newsletter full of insights into social justice issues, inspiring stories, and actionable steps to make a difference in our churches, communities, country, and the world. It's a meaningful way to stay informed and connected to efforts for justice and peace that's driven by our United Methodist Social Principles. If you'd like to receive the newsletter, you can sign up here: <https://www.umcjustice.org/what-you-can-do/subscribe>

A recent article regarding the Supreme Court ruling on racial profiling includes a joint statement from the General Secretaries of the General Commission on Religion and Race (GCORR), General Board of Church and Society (GBCS), United Women in Faith (UWF), and Discipleship Ministries (GBDM) that states the church cannot remain silent on racial profiling. Click here to learn more: <https://www.umcjustice.org/latest/the-recent-u-s-supreme-court-ruling-grants-license-for-racial-profiling-7501?emci=7035d02e-b18d-f011-b484-6045bdeb7413&emdi=52f9805b-b88d-f011-b484-6045bdeb7413&ceid=12761964>



Left over Halloween Candy?

The UWF will collect left over Halloween candy to be used in stocking stuffer bags given to children with their presents from Gifts from the Heart in December. **Look for the marked bin in Fellowship Hall on November 2nd and 9th**, or outside the church office during this time period. Contact Kristine Kahl, Kristine.f.guevara@sbcglobal.net.



Gifts from the Heart's 32nd Anniversary Christmas Season!

Each year we provide roughly 500 Christmas gifts to children in need! This mission blesses children at Wesley Education Center, York Street UMC, State Avenue UMC, Wesley Chapel Mission Center, Mt. Washington UMC, and Mini Miracles childcare center. There are many ways you can help and we need volunteers to make Gifts from the Heart 2025 a big success! **VOLUNTEER at the link BELOW:**

[Sign Up Genius - Gifts from the Heart 2025](#)

Look for the Angel Trees starting November 16 in the Fellowship Hall. Select an angel ornament, purchase a gift for the child identified on the tag, wrap, and return your gift(s) by **11:00 am on Sunday December 7**. We also appreciate donations of Kroger gift cards, new backpacks, and monetary donations which go towards fulfilling unselected angels.

Join UWF and the Youth Group after worship at noon on Sunday December 7 to sort and prepare gifts for delivery. This is always an exciting and enjoyable event!

Let's SHINE the light of Christ with local families this Christmas season!

Questions? Contact Jen Woeste jenmiL4@yahoo.com or 937-475-0054.