



CATCH the VISION

November 2018

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I was glad when they said to me, “Let us go to the house of the LORD”. Psalm 122:1 (NRSV)

The beauty of Waukesha First United Methodist Church and the feeling of stillness I had as I entered the sanctuary, dispelled (almost) all my fears of leading my first Annual Gathering. I can’t imagine what David felt entering Jerusalem, but I felt God would be in our midst as we gathered Friday night and Saturday. The love we shared in that Sacred Space made our “Encounters with God and Neighbor” a joyful reunion. As I watched each presenter set up their displays I couldn’t help but feel the joy and excitement of sharing stories with each other; the interruptions of their work by hugs and chatter did not seem to matter. It made our Gathering a celebration not a task.

So, if you were not able join us for our 46th Annual Meeting, here is what you missed!

We welcomed Bishop Hee-Soo Jung, Scott Carlson SW District DS and Forrest Wells, NE District DS. We were energized by Irene Verdegan and Veronica Radowicz’s musical gifts. The joyful singing of The Congolese Ministry of music is a testament to “developing a supportive fellowship” by our Hmong faith community. We “felt” Sharon Day - Anishinaabe grandmother and Water Walker’s presence through Ruby’s narrative at our Worship time. Three very eloquent past Conference Presidents gave us a look back in to the present of our LEGACY 150 Celebration in 2019. Mission u/YoMiCa presentation gave us a snap shot of the leadership that guides our youth camp at Pine Lake. The breakout sessions informed us of important issues in the life of our Church. We practiced sustainability of our environment at lunch time by recycling containers and sharing food items not consumed. LIMITLESS youth shared time together, worship, craft projects and planning for 2019. We had very successful Leadership training sessions and we installed our 2019 Conference Team.

Congratulations United Methodist Women - so much fun, energy and learning packed into 24 hours!

Mark your calendar for our 47th. Wisconsin UMW Annual Gathering
October 18-19, 2019

Black River Falls United Methodist Church
CELEBRATING 150 YEARS OF UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

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Wisconsin Conference United Methodist Women Annual Gathering at First United Methodist Church - Waukesha, Oct. 19-20, 2018

The 2018 Annual Gathering with the theme of Sacred Spaces: Encounters with God and Neighbor was kicked off on Friday afternoon when 30 individuals traveled to the United Methodist Children's Services for a tour to learn about the services provided by UMCS. Comments by attendees were great tour, learned a lot, and impressed with the services being delivered.

115 individuals participated in the Annual Gathering. District Superintendents attending part of the Annual Gathering were Scott Carlson and Forrest Wells. We were blessed by the attendance of Bishop Hee-Soo Jung on Sat. morning. Our theme song was, Surely the Presence of the Lord is in this Place. We marched to the light of the Lord and learned actions to Bind Us Together. Irene Verdegan brought lots of energy to our singing and got us moving. We started our worship on Fri. night with a water theme, which continued Saturday morning as we placed the water that we brought into a vessel at the front of the sanctuary. Although, Sharon Day was not able to be with us physically, the videos from nibiwalk.org brought her and the Anishinaabe Water Walkers with their prayers for the water to us.

Mary Lainberger and Sue Plasterer were our discussion facilitators on A Way Forward. We also had a presentation on Yo-Mi-Ca which is held at Pine Lake Camp at the same time as Mission u. It inspired us to go back to our churches and talk to our youth about attending Yo-Mi-Ca. We were also blessed with the singing from African Ministries from Christ Way UMC, Milwaukee. It was a very Spirit filled time.

Next year the Annual Gathering will be at the Black River Falls United Methodist Church on Oct. 18-19, 2019.

Ruby Dow

WI Conf UMW VP



United Methodist Women participating in the Water Program.



Bishop Hee-Soo Jung offering a blessing shown here with WI Conference President Martha Boyer



Cherrie Hartley (sharing from the Prayer Calendar)

WI Conference Officers left to right
first row: Ruthann Christensen, Jeanette Retzlaff,
Diane Woodbury, Ruby Dow, Martha Boyer, Sue Plasterer,
Karen Mayeshiba, Mary Lainberger, Judy Vasby
second row: Linda J Whitelock, Judy Loveless, Cherri Hartley,
Deb Pattee, Josie Gobel, Stacy Ganzer, Chue Vang,
Gloria Carter, Laura Pfeffer
third row: Kady Herr-Yang, Rachel Benton, Chelsey Henry,
Muriel Smith-Gross



UMW members checking out the information displays



Sue Plaster, Mary Lainberger (2nd pew)

some of the other 115 participants at Annual Conference



Julie Mieke, Laura Pfeffer & Diane Quade doing a Legacy skit



Young Women’s Mentor, Gloria Carter (back right) and some of the youth



UMW members checking out the displays

Secretary

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Happy Fall to All!

I have really come to appreciate the Sisterhood of Grace among United Methodist Women. And I am looking forward to learning more about the past leaders in the United Methodist Church. It is heartwarming for me to see the activism of women today getting vocal and making visions of justice being heard loud and clear. Let us honor our roots in activism by standing up to the oppressors of today. We all have a role to play and so let’s roll up our sleeves and make things happen. Are you ready? With God’s help, I think I am.

Already it is about time to start on the 2019 Conference Yearbook. Please forward to me your current list of District Officers (and the term of their office) along with your 2019 meeting schedule, District Newsletter deadlines, as well as the local unit leadership contact information. AND don’t forget I’d really like two email contacts from each unit. I know I’m so needy, but I hope we can have good communications with everyone in the hopes of sparking new relationships, and increased attendance at our gatherings.

Please let me know if I can be helpful to you in any way.

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Education and Interpretation

MY VISIT TO UMCS

On Friday October 19, 2018, I had the privilege of visiting United Methodist Children's Services of Wisconsin, along with twenty-nine other United Methodist Women, and touring the facility. It was a most interesting and enlightening experience which I hope as many people as possible can share at some time.

UMCS is located in the Washington Park Neighborhood, an old historic neighborhood of Milwaukee. It is a social service agency established in 1962 by the Wisconsin Annual Conference and the United Methodist Women to address the unmet needs of pregnant teens and their children. Over the years, UMCS has grown considerably but still continues to cater to the many basic needs of families living in poverty. The organization provides 1) safe affordable housing, 2) reliable food sources, 3) access to quality community resources, 4) help in the development of coping skills and 5) extended supportive services. In short, the Focus is on Housing, Childcare, Resources and Community Engagement.

As United Methodist Women in Mission, we are in the habit of helping wherever the need arises, whether it be national or international. UMCS is a local organization which needs our help and I am encouraging as much participation as possible, whether individually or as a unit. Here are some ways you can support UMCS immediately and/or continuously. You can volunteer or you can donate books, food items, clothing, hygiene items, or money. Your support will be greatly appreciated as 2018 comes to a close, and will really impact the lives of children and their families. UMCS is holding a gift card drive (\$10 gift cards to Target and Walmart) and you can purchase these gift cards and donate them so that gifts and food can be purchased for families for the holidays. Funds can also be donated to purchase needed items during the holiday season such as turkey, hams, winter coats and other winter accessories. UMCS has a wish List which clearly states all the needed items, and these items can also be found on Amazon and can be purchased there and shipped directly to UMCS, or money can be given to the organization so that they can purchase the things that are needed. You can also participate in giving Tuesday on November 27th or simply consider an end of year gift to support the mission of UMCS.

Those are some of the ways that you can help UMCS immediately. I urge you to go to the website and learn more about the organization, its role in the community, and its needs. There is a lot of upkeep needed in the buildings so monetary gifts are much appreciated. Parkview Apartments, the oldest of the buildings, need new windows. These new windows will reduce heating and cooling costs for families in the units and will be safer and more reliable to use. The work that this organization is undertaking is invaluable. I urge you to get involved. Do visit and speak with Tina Itson and the rest of the staff. Tina and her staff are doing a remarkable job, and Tina is also very willing and ready to visit you and tell you about UMCS. Here is the website, I hope you will use it: www.umcs-wi.org/get-involved.

Giving is an act of faith and an important part of being in relationship with Jesus. Adam Hamilton reminds us that "The more we grow in Christ realizing that our lives belong to him, the more generous we become". The way you use your time, gifts and money truly matters to God. As the hymn reminds us, *"We have no mission but to serve in full obedience to our Lord: to care for all, without reserve, and spread Christ's liberating word"*.

Cherrie Hartley

Education and Interpretation

Outreach

Immanuel United Methodist Church is the proud owner of a new Little Library called **Pages and Prayers**. Spearheaded by the United Methodist Women, a mission group for women and children in the church and designed by Dennis Selchow, **Pages and Prayers** graces Immanuel UMC on Elm St. slightly south of Fond du Lac Ave. Access is easily accessible by car or by walking.

Pages and Prayers has several purposes indicates UMW President Chris Worrall. It is a community outreach with Christian literature for children, youth, and adults. Perhaps there are those people in Ripon who do not have a church home but would enjoy Christian literature. It is hoped that the books would deepen the faith of the reader in Jesus Christ. Anyone may take 1-2 books and after reading them can return them, exchange them, pass them on, or keep them. Readers are encouraged to check back periodically as books will be changed.

Pages and Prayers offers a unique feature-a prayer box is inside the library. Anyone can leave a prayer request by writing it on the paper provided, giving their first name, and placing it in the metal prayer box. A UMW member will then take the prayer request from the box and pray specifically for that request during the following week. One may also leave prayer requests on the IUMC link on Facebook. We believe that God loves us, is listening and wants us to pray. He answers all of our prayers.

The UMW is delighted to offer **Pages and Prayers** to the Ripon community and is anxious for the community to use both aspects of the Little Library.

Deb Kaiser

Ripon Immanuel UM Women



Box Tops for Education & Milk Moola

We Continue to Collect General Mills "**Box Tops for Education**" for **Red Bird Mission**. When the Campbell's program ended, many units stopped collecting the General Mills proofs as well. Each one is worth 10 cents and Red Bird can wisely use these \$\$ for **Christian Mission**. Please bring them to District leaders and all Conference events. A collection box will be there near the 'Milk Moola' box. Kay Waugh

Limitless

SAVE THE DATE 2019 LIMITLESS RETREAT: EXPLORING GOD'S CREATION

**DATE: FRIDAY, AUGUST 23, arrive 3 pm,
to SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, depart 1 pm**

PLACE: PINE LAKE UNITED METHODIST CAMP

Do you like Learning about God, Nature, and Environment? What better place than at Pine Lake United Methodist Camp in Westfield WI. Please plan on joining us.

Sponsored by Limitless Young Women, Wisconsin Conference United Methodist

Something New for Catch the Vision!

With looking at budgets and trying to keep expenses down I am trying different ways to still get all the wonderful information out into the hands of all our units. As always the complete CTV newsletter is available on the Conference Website:

<http://www.wisconsinumw.org/communications.html>

The August & November will be mailed as a trifold summary with the full version is on the Conference Website.

The Legacy Fund was established in 2014 to go through 2019 to fund United Methodist Women into the future. We want to remember the past, pay attention to the present and give hope to our future.

We have many ways to honor our faithful members past, present and future. We can celebrate by purchasing a 150 year necklace for \$50 plus postage or a Special Recognition Pin for \$200 plus postage. Both of these items can be purchased from the United Methodist Women Mission Resource Center.

There are four ways to give:

Online: [unitedmethodistwomen.org/legacy fund](http://unitedmethodistwomen.org/legacyfund)

Mail: **United Methodist Women National Office**

475 Riverside Drive

15th Floor, Attn: LEGACY

New York, NY 10115

Text: Text "Legacy 150" to "41444"

Phone: 212-870-3705

You can also remember UMW in your will.

Diane Quade has been serving as one of our Legacy Fund Coordinators. The Legacy Fund has a goal of \$60,000,000. Wisconsin's goal is \$18,690. Diane is available to speak at local, district or conference events. You can reach her at 608-752-9397.

Thank you for all you do for United Methodist Women.

Diane Quade

Conference Legacy Coordinator

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The word "Legacy" is written in a stylized, orange, 3D-effect font with a white outline and a drop shadow.

Linda K Whitelock

Conference Treasurer

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The word "Treasurer" is written in a large, blue, outlined font with a white fill and a drop shadow.

Spiritual Growth

I read this in Sojourners magazine, a progressive evangelical journal. This article is something that I think is worth thinking about. Enjoy!

Deb Pattee, Conference Spiritual Growth Coordinator

A Christianity That Makes Room for Rage

By *Samantha Field* 9-28-2018

I was in my last semester of undergrad when I discovered that the phrase “seeing red” is not just a figure of speech. This realization came on Thanksgiving 2009, about two months after the man I was going to marry – the man who raped me—had broken our engagement, saying “I can’t trust that you’ll be a submissive wife.” The breakup was his attempt to reassert control over our relationship after I had begun resisting the constant verbal abuse he bludgeoned me with. He was confident that after punishing me with his absence for a few weeks that I would be eager to take him back and be the compliant, biddable wife he felt he deserved.

Thankfully, it backfired. A month of freedom was all I needed to realize that I did not want to marry him.

So, on Thanksgiving, after he’d stalked me for weeks and persistently harassed me for several hours that day, I snapped. I was consumed with righteous rage and a sanguine cloud flooded my vision. I cannot recall exactly what I screamed at him, but I do vividly remember his face. He was shocked. To him, my rage was confusing and unnecessary, a hysterical overreaction.

It took three more years for me to begin the healing and recovery process, and it wasn’t until I was married and away from the toxic culture I’d been drowning in that I finally felt safe enough to gingerly open the box I had stuffed all the trauma into. The first thing I unpacked was rage. It burned bright and hot, a wildfire scorching away the disease and rot that had pervaded my life.

The rage I began expressing scared many of the people who knew me, who cared about me. They came from the same faith tradition I’d been brought up in, a tradition that teaches that “negative” emotions like rage, despair, sadness, anger, and bitterness have no place in a Christian’s life. My rage deeply concerned them, and I began receiving a consistent stream of worried messages, texts, emails and phone calls. They all tried to persuade me that I could only be healed if I let go of my rage, but I knew deep in my bones they were wrong. Rage was the only sensible path forward, the only roadmap I had to recovery.

I slowly came to understand that if I was going to remain a Christian, I needed to find a path that had room for the rage and grief I carried with me as a rape survivor. Rage is the only human and rational reaction to the trauma I’d experienced, and I could not smother my humanity in order to remain a Christian. It was around this time that I first read *The Autobiography of Malcolm X*. This past Tuesday, after we read *Martin & Malcolm & America* by James Cone, my seminary professor asked “what elements of Malcolm’s theology could contribute to Christian theology?” and my answer was immediate: holding space for rage.

Over the last few years, Malcolm — among others — have taught me how to handle and process rage. For me, there are two diverging roads I can take: one destructive, one constructive. Anger, grief, even despair, have been a constant companion during this administration but the last two weeks and the unwillingness to listen to Dr. Ford's story, the lack of compassion, have brought rage to the forefront. Being a woman and a rape survivor feels a bit like being emotional and psychological cannon fodder for the political machinations of the far right, and on Sunday night a dam broke. I was so filled with rage I could have choked on it; I was in so much pain that continuing to exist as a suffering, breathing, feeling person was becoming intolerable. I could feel the familiar destructive impulses — wanting to climb out of my skin, digging my fingernails into my hands, arms, face, scalp... the sheer desperation just to make it all stop, as well as the desire to reach through the internet and strangle the rape apologists crawling out from under their rocks.

But my seminary work early this week reminded me that there is a constructive channel for rage — I could try to bottle up the rage and let it poison me, or I could use it to propel me toward action.

On Tuesday evening, I received a notice from the Women's March and the Center for Popular Democracy: They were organizing to protest Kavanaugh's nomination. Without hesitation I signed up to attend the training Wednesday night and the direct action on Thursday.

At the training, Women's March founder Linda Sarsour spoke on rage, on using our rage to encourage ourselves and each other, on expressing the depths of our rage to those in power through non-violent civil disobedience. I drove into D.C., wanting to participate. In every previous protest I've attended, I remained compliant and biddable. I only engaged in marches that had permits, obeyed the instructions of officers, and always stayed within the bounds of D.C.'s statutes. As a disabled person and queer woman, was I willing to put my body on the line for this cause? Sarsour's words echoed inside me with a resounding yes.

I stood in the Hart Senate Building in solidarity with Dr. Ford during her opening statement, and then marched with old friends and new to the steps of the Supreme Court. Sarsour repeated her words from the night before, and then I followed her into the street. **Together, 59 of us knelt on the pavement** and let the rain drench our hair and clothes. With one voice we poured out our rage in chants and protest songs. I closed my eyes and wept as I sang "Somebody's hurting my sister/and it's gone on far too long/and we won't stay silent anymore."

We obstructed traffic for nearly an hour until Capitol police arrived to arrest us, and during that time I reflected on everything that had brought me to my knees in the middle of a D.C. roadway. Rage brought me healing, but it has also cleansed and restored my faith. It transformed a passive detachment from the suffering of God's beloved into doing everything I can to protect the orphan and widow. Rage was a balm for my wounded heart, and now it will continue to drive me to lay healing hands on a world filled with pain. No man and no faith tradition can take that from me, or from us.

Samantha Field is a woman who grew up in an authoritarian church that forbade women from seeking college educations or employment, but eventually escaped. Now a seminarian at United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities, Samantha is a writer, activist, and speaker exploring feminist and liberation theologies.

Wisconsin Mission u

Hotel Mead & Conference Center, Wisconsin Rapids



2019 STUDIES

Practicing Resurrection: The Gospel of Mark and Radical Discipleship

United For Change
United Methodist Women
in Mission: 150 Years
and Beyond

What About Our Money?
A Faith Response

Four-day Mission u:
Program Resources
Crafts
Puzzles
District Parties
Pool & Hot Tub
Music
Displays
Choice Times
Evening of Enrichment

FOUR-DAY MISSION U

Monday, July 22, 2019

to

Thursday, July 25, 2019

OVERVIEW DAY

Friday, July 26, 2019



United
Methodist
Women

FAITH • HOPE • LOVE IN ACTION

Mission u Classes for 2019

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Here is a page with 2 notices to be printed and pass out within your Local UMW Units; please help promote 2019 Mission u!

Historian

CELEBRATE OUR LEGACY!

As your UMW Conference Historian, I am excited about celebrating 150 years of women's mission work in the Wesleyan tradition. March 23, 2019 is the BIG DAY marking 150 years since a small group of Methodist women in Boston founded the Women's Foreign Missionary Society and sent two women, a doctor and a teacher, to minister to women and girls in India. No one had ever done it that way before, sending single women alone overseas to serve as missionaries.

We know this, because someone kept good records. And those records are not just dry facts in a dull, dusty book. They are testimonies of faith that still encourage and challenges us today.

The minutes and yearbooks listing programs and meeting dates that you have for your local units in the past are treasures that connect you to the devoted women who came before us. Borrowing from a song important to African-American, those women sing to us, "We've come this far by faith, leaning on the Lord". They are instructing us to go forward into the future, leaving a legacy of faith for those who will take up the mission work after us.

Take time in 2019 to read minutes from the past, dig out photos of activities your unit did, and contemplate the themes they had for programs. Then share samples of them in your unit meetings. Some might surprise you by their depth. Others may make you laugh. Give an extra donation to missions and pray for how your money will be used. Let's all celebrate!

Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD's name! All you who serve the LORD, praise God! Psalm 135(CEB)

Judy Vasby

Conference UMW Historian

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Nominations

Greetings from the Nominations Committee,

We have a Call to Leadership for 2 Positions on our Conference Mission Leadership Team. Each position offers a free 2 year program of Education – including hands-on training; an all paid expense Leadership Training week-end, Feb. 1 -3, 2019 in Tempe, AZ; and you would be working with a close supportive community of women to continue a long continuing (150 years) story of women involved in mission for women, children and youth. If you or someone you know have the skills and would like to answer our Call for Treasurer OR a Member of the Nominations Committee, please contact one of us.

“To those who have been called, who are loved by God the Father and kept by Jesus Christ, Mercy, peace and love be yours in abundance.” Jude :1.

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Kay Waugh (920)-434-7101

Linda J. Whitelock (608)-752-1021
Judy Loveless (608)-848-8243

Northwest District

Northwest District is Blessed

“Make a joyful noise in the Lord!”

We had a successful Fall Gathering, in Siren, highlighting our call, with 80 women attending. We were privileged to hear Judy Vasby talk about her call to Deaconess Ministry, we also had a fun report on Assembly. However, we do have some concerns, our Nominations Committee has been working hard to fill two key team positions for 2019; Treasurer and Vice President. Please join us in Prayer as we continue our search.

We are looking forward to our 2019 Spring Day of Enrichment which will be a many faceted Legacy Celebration. Imagine walking in different costumes through a market places, a flea market, or silent auction; then visit a museum where scrap books, historical stories, and memorabilia will be displayed.

Billie LaBumbard

Northwest District President

Program Advisory

<https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/news/statement-on-mass-shooting-at-tree-of-life-synagogue>

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN STATEMENT

Statement on Mass Shooting at Tree of Life Synagogue



At a vigil for the Tree of Life Synagogue, Lafayette Square across from the White House, Washington, D.C., Oct. 27.

With stunned hearts, United Methodist Women mourns the senseless mass shooting of Jewish worshippers at the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on Oct. 27. We pray for the surviving family members and for this hurting congregation.

United Methodist Women stands with our nation's Jewish community.

We stand with all people of good will against the rush of hate that our nation has suffered over the past week as white supremacist nationalists attempted to bomb political opponents, murdered two black people in a Kentucky grocery store, and killed 11 Jewish worshippers during a Sabbath service.

At this pivotal time for our nation, we urge United Methodist Women members and all people of good will to think and pray—and to act and speak.

We remember the words of the biblical prophet Isaiah:

"So, justice is driven back and righteousness stands at a distance; truth has stumbled in the streets, honesty cannot enter. Truth is nowhere to be found, and whoever shuns evil becomes a prey. The Lord looked and was displeased that there was no justice. God saw that there was no one. God was appalled that there was no one to intervene; So, God's own arm worked salvation" (Isaiah 59:14-16, NIV).

We recommend that we all read and act on "[Speaking Out for Compassion and Against Hate](#)," #3422, The Book of Resolutions of The United Methodist Church:

"At a time of rising vitriol, racism, hate, and violence in the world born of deep economic crisis and global shifts, it is time for the Church to speak out. If we do not, God will be appalled. We feel compelled to raise a prophetic voice challenging the climate of distrust, distortion of truth, and fear, shifting the conversation to our common future. In many nations, the level of anger has crossed a line in terms of civility. Whatever the disagreement about policy or program, this behavior is unacceptable.

"It represents a spiritual crisis that calls for us to respond by deepening our understanding of God's call and filling our own deep yearnings for spiritual wholeness, that can empower us to love and show compassion without giving up our responsibility to speak out for justice."

We do not want God to be further appalled. We must act boldly by turning our faith, hope and love into action for compassion and against hate.

Posted or updated: 10/29/2018 12:00:00 AM

Mary Lainberger

Program Advisory Group

Membership Nurture & Outreach

Thank you to EVERYONE who worked so hard on our 2017 Census. All of us learned that it is much easier to enter our results online than to fill in forms and submit the information to our national office after the online database has closed! At Mission u I was able to meet with district presidents and membership nurture and outreach coordinators who attended. One thing that they said would help them is to have time to think about our membership census for 2018. Instructions have arrived from our national office and the database is open. I have forwarded the instructions to our District Presidents and Membership Nurture and Outreach Coordinators. They are to distribute them to unit presidents for data collection and entry online. This year we have a form to use for collecting the data prior to going online and entering our information. At the conference level we will have the ability to monitor our progress in real time so we can track our unit progress. Both are new for 2018.

Why collect this data? This is from our national office. "Census questions are designed to inform our decision making at the national, conference and district levels. The census will be open from **October 9, 2018 until March 30, 2019**. We are hoping to have new units report so that we can continue to build our database as we are preparing to modify current materials and create new resources to support our local units."

If you want your voices heard about the next 150 years of mission please find a way to enter your information online. Even though the database is open now it is our Wisconsin Conference choice to enter our information **on or after January 1, 2019 but not later than March 30, 2019**. That is so we can get a count for one whole calendar year. You can begin collecting your information now.

You will be hearing from your District President and/or your District Membership Nurture and Outreach Coordinators soon if you haven't already with details of the process. The Census Link can be found on the United Methodist Women's website at this link www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/census2018 Included is an instructional video on how to complete the 2018 census.

I encourage you to contact me or your district president/MNO if you do not have computer access or have questions. The instructions also include contacts at the national office. Feel free to contact them as well.

We have a rich legacy of 150 years of mission. Your voices via our online census can shape how we put faith, hope and love into action for women, children and youth here and around the world.

Sue Plasterer
Wisconsin Conference
Membership Nurture and Outreach Coordinator
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Instructions for Completing the United Methodist Women (UMW)
Membership Census 2018

The UMW Membership Census 2018 is due

March 30, 2019!

Access the online form for Census 2018 at:
www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/census2018

1. At the top of the page, you will see a box. You will be asked to provide your church's zip code, church name or city. Please enter your church zip code or the letters of your church's name. There will be several options to choose from, please select the option that has your church, district, and conference.

Search by Church name, City or Zip Code

2. By selecting your church or affiliation from the list, the boxes for **CHURCH NAME**, **DISTRICT NAME**, and **CONFERENCE NAME** and **JURISDICTION** will automatically populate. Verify the information is correct. Then, enter the name of your UMW unit in the **UNIT NAME** box, as this may be different from your church's name.

Church Name

* Unit Name (only unit name, not circle name)

* District Name

Conference Name
Please select response

Jurisdiction

3. Enter the street address for your church in the **CHURCH ADDRESS** box. Enter the city where your church is located in the **CITY** box. Choose the state where your church is located using the dropdown menu in the **STATE** box. Enter the zip code for your church in the **ZIP CODE** box.

Church Address

City

State
Please select response

Zip Code



4. Choose from the dropdown menu your **UNIT TYPE**. The most common response will be 'Local'.

* Unit Type

Please select response
Local
Cluster/Charge
District Members
District Unit
College/University
Teen
Work Site
Retirement
Prison
* Hearing Impaired
Online
Other

5. Select the primary language spoken within your UMW unit from the dropdown menu in the **PRIMARY LANGUAGE** box.

Primary Language

Please select response
Akan
Creole
English
* French
Hmong
Korean
Portuguese
Russian
Samoan
Spanish
Tagalog
Tongan
Other



6. Enter the first name of the current unit president in the **UNIT PRESIDENT** box. Enter the last name of the current unit president in the **UNIT PRESIDENT** box. Enter the preferred phone number and email address for UMW communication for the unit president in the **PRESIDENT'S TELEPHONE NUMBER** and **PRESIDENT'S EMAIL** boxes.

* Unit President - First Name

* Unit President - Last Name

President's Telephone Number

* President's E-mail

7. Enter the total number of UMW members in your unit as of January 1, 2019 in the box.

* Number of Members as of January 1, 2019

8. Enter the number of new members who joined your UMW unit in 2018 in the **NUMBER OF NEW MEMBERS ADDED** box. This is not a total number of members. Only include the number of new members.

* Number of New Members Added in 2018

9. Enter the number of members lost during 2018 in the **MEMBERS LOST BY DEATH OR OTHER REASONS** box. Reasons members may be lost include, but are not limited to, death, relocation, or change in church membership.

* Number of Members Lost by Death or Other Reasons



10. As the person completing the census, enter your first and last name in the **REPORTED BY (NAME OF PERSON WHO IS REPORTING THIS DATA)** box. Select your position in the UMW unit from the dropdown menu in the **POSITION OF THE PERSON REPORTING THIS DATA** box. IF your position is not listed, select 'Other' and enter your position in the box below. An example of a position that may be categorized as 'Other' is 'Member'. Enter the telephone number and email address you use for UMW communication in the **TELEPHONE NUMBER** and **EMAIL ADDRESS** boxes. If you do not have an email address, you can easily signup for a free account using a variety of services, such as Gmail with Google. If you do not plan to check your email regularly, please do not enter an email address.

Reported By (Information of person who is reporting this data) .

*First Name:

*Last Name:

*Email:

*Phone Number:

Position of the person reporting the data

Please select response

If Other, please specify (Position, not listed in the previous field)

On the 2017 Census, many local units indicated Facebook (FB) was the preferred type of social media:

Do you feel you need more training on how to use FB as it relates to marketing events or hosting online groups? Yes/No

11. Do you need more training on digital/virtual circles? Yes/No

12. What Additional FB/Social media training would be helpful?

- Creating a social media page
- Posting events for greater visibility
- Inviting others/marketing to new audiences
- We do not need training



13. The 2017 census inquired about what strategies you are using to increase membership, would you be interested in learning new strategies and helping to pilot some new methods?

Yes/No

If Yes, Please list Name and Phone Number:

(Maximum response 255 chars, approx. 5 rows of text)

14. Mission Giving/Legacy Fund

Does your unit schedule/conduct a Pledge-to-Mission service to emphasize the importance of Mission Giving? Yes/No

Is your unit promoting/supporting the Legacy Fund Endowment Campaign? Yes/No

Would you like to learn more about how your unit can support/promote the Legacy Campaign? Yes/No

15. Spiritual Growth/Transformative Education

Each year United Methodist Women publishes three mission studies for adults related to spiritual growth, a current issue and a geographic area. The 2018 studies are *Embracing Wholeness; What About Our Money? and Missionary Conferences*. These studies are taught at Mission u (formerly Schools of Christian Mission), a conference- or district-wide event.

Did you or your unit receive information about Mission u or about the mission studies for 2018? Yes/No

Did you or any of your members participate in a conference or district Mission u in 2018? Yes/No

If yes, were actions taken to pass the knowledge to the unit or to the church? Yes/No/N/A



Was there a unit program engaging members in one of the mission studies in 2018?
Yes/No

Did your unit organize a Spiritual Growth retreat and/or bible study in 2018? Yes/No

16. Living the Charter for Racial

In the past year, has your unit engaged in programs related to racial justice?

- Yes, this has been a strong focus for us.
- Yes, we have done a little of this.
- No, we did none of this last year, but we would like to do more in the future.
- We have done none of this and we are not interested.

As we seek to understand the racial and ethnic diversity of our national membership, please share with us the current demographics of your local unit. Is your unit:

- Exclusively women of color
- Primarily women of color, with some white women
- A mix of women of color and white women
- Primarily white women, with some women of color
- Exclusively white women

As your local unit is planning for "Increase" in 2019 and 2020, which activity can you commit to as an entry point for new women (Check all that apply)

- Spiritual Growth retreats
- Ubuntu Day of Service & Advocacy
- Social Action opportunities
- Creating a circle to address one of United Methodist Women's four Campaigns* Targeted outreach to a particular group (teen women, young adult women, newly retired women, etc.)
- Legislative Event or Social Action Day
- Scholarships for young women's participation in Mission u , Jurisdictional Gatherings, or other United Methodist Women events;

What resources does your unit need to further the work of United Methodist Women? (check all that apply)

- Spiritual Growth resources
- Bible studies on why we engage in social justice as Christian women
- How to bring our United Methodist Women "hat" into the local church, district and conference UMC
- Addressing "The Way Forward" and implications of the Special UMC General Conference 2019
- How to have healthy conversations amidst difference



Which social justice priority Campaign is your unit currently working on? (check all that apply)

- End the School to Prison Pipeline (Criminalization of Communities of Color Priority)
- Living Wage for All (Economic Inequality Priority)
- End Maternal Mortality (Maternal Health Priority)
- Reduce Carbon Emissions (Climate Justice Priority)

How are you engaged in this work? (check all that apply)

Education

- Participated in a Mission Study
- Did a Program from Program Book
- Did a Bible study from response magazine or other source, on the issue
- Invited a speaker to address the issue
- Read a related Reading Program Book Together
- Used an action alert for issue discussion
- Visited the United Methodist Women website for resources and information
- Contacted United Methodist Women National Office staff for more information
- Attended a workshop at Assembly and shared information with unit

Building Relationships

- Reached out to local or state groups working on the issue to explore how we can help
- Contacted our Council of Churches advocacy staff to learn about related legislation
- Organized a community forum at our church to learn which groups are working on this issue

Advocacy

- Contacted our elected officials about current legislation on the issue via email or
- Called or visited the office of an elected official
- Participated in a legislative advocacy day (United Methodist Women or ecumenical)
- Visited our state or federal elected officials to advocate for legislation
- Wrote a letter or card to a corporate leader about corporate practices
- Contacted our local school to learn about expulsion policies [Emily to rephrase this]
- Organized an Ubuntu Day of Service & Advocacy, bringing in potential new members and engaging in direct service as well as advocacy on the issue
- Visited a National Mission Institution to volunteer and learn how they are addressing these priorities

17. Climate Justice

In the past year, has your unit engaged in programs related to climate justice?

- Yes, this has been a strong focus for us.
- Yes, we have done a little of this.
- No, we did none of this last year.

If yes, did you engage with resources and opportunities provided by any of the following?
Please check all the applies:

- National
- Conference
- District
- Other resources or opportunities



In the upcoming year is your unit interested in advancing climate justice?

Please select response

- Yes, we are on board
- Possibly, but want more information
- No, we are not interested.

In the past year, has your unit engaged in learning and implementing the Be Just. Be Green 13 Steps to Sustainability?

Please select response

- yes, this has been a strong focus for us.
- yes, we have done a little of this.
- no, we did none of this last year, but we would like to do more in the future.
- we have done none of this and we are not interested.

The National Office would like to send you tools for successful engagement in these campaigns; please check all campaigns that you would like to receive more information:

- End the School to Prison Pipeline
- Living Wage for All
- End Maternal Mortality
- Reduce Carbon Emissions

18. National Mission Institutions

Does your unit relate to a National Institution? Yes/No

If yes, which one?

Please select response

If yes, how are you participating/involved?

- As elected members of the board
- As ex-officio members of the board
- As regular volunteers
- As one-off volunteers (e.g. mission trips, Ubuntu Day of Service)
- As donors
- As staff

Other



Is your unit regularly involved with any other organizations outside of National Mission Institutions? Yes/No

19. International Ministries

What are your preferred sources for information about United Methodist Women's International mission work? (Check all that apply)

- Response Magazine
- United Methodist Women website
- United Methodist Women Prayer Calender
- United Methodist Women eNewsletter
- United Methodist Women Mission U Events
- United Methodist Women Leadership Development Days Events

Other (please list)

Is your unit involved in any international mission activities? Yes/No

If yes, check all that apply:

- Church
- General Board of Church and Society
- General Board of Global Ministries
- United Methodist Committee on Relief

Other (please list)

Did you welcome new women into leadership positions? Yes/No

Did any local unit member serve as a leader in the: (check all that apply)?

- Local church
- District
- Conference

Does your unit participate in the reading program? Yes/No

Would you describe your unit as thriving? Yes/No



20. When you have completed the form, review your information for accuracy and check for completion of all required questions. You must click **Submit** to send your information to the National Office.

Please click submit after you have completed the form.

Submit

21. If your data has been submitted successfully, a **"Thank you"** page will pop up. If you do not see a thank you page, go back to the form and check all required questions.

YOU HAVE COMPLETED THE CENSUS 2018!!!

For Questions or Assistance with the UMW Membership Census, please contact:

Maria Rodriguez

212-870-3725

MRodriguez@unitedmethodistwomen.org

Monday – Friday, 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM (EST)

**The UMW Membership Census 2018 is due
March 30, 2019!**



Program Resource

2019 READING PROGRAM BOOK LIST

Scriptural Base for Reading Program: *Proverbs 8:11 – The Gifts of Wisdom*

“... for wisdom is better than jewels, and all that you may desire cannot compare with her.”

Policy Base: Ministries with Women and Ministries with Children and Youth: A Gift for the Whole Church.

A Policy Statement of United Methodist Women: Inform, educate and raise the consciousness of women to our social, economic and political realities, including the inter-connectedness of race, class and gender in women's lives.

In the table below are the books available for the **2019 Reading Program**. For details on the Reading Program, please find us on the web at unitedmethodistwomen.org/readingprogram. Category legend can be found at the end of the book list.

CATEGORY	TITLE	AUTHOR	PUBLISHER	STOCK #	PRICE	BONUS
EFM	ESCAPE FROM THE GREEN MANSION – Ordinary Church Women and their Extraordinary Rescue of San Francisco's Brothel Slaves	<i>Christine Taylor</i>	2014	Kindle-only		
EFM	AN INSIDER'S GUIDE TO PRAYING FOR THE WORLD	<i>Brian C. Stiller</i>	Baker Publishing Group, 2016	Kindle-only		
EFM	THREADING MY PRAYER RUG – One Woman's Journey from Pakistani Muslim to American Muslim	<i>Sabeeha Rehman</i>	Skyhorse Publishing, 2017	RP1922	\$17.99	
EFM	THE MISSION-MINDED GUIDE TO CHURCH AND SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS	<i>Jake McGlothin</i>	Abingdon Press, 2017	RP1904	\$16.99	
EFM	ONE – Unity in a Divided World	<i>Deidra Riggs</i>	Baker Publishing Group, 2017	RP1908	\$14.99	



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LD	ELEANOR: A SPIRITUAL BIOGRAPHY – The Faith of the 20th Century’s Most Influential Woman	<i>Harold Ivan Smith</i>	Westminster John Knox Press, 2017	RP1923	\$20.00	
LD	FRESH EXPRESSIONS – A New Kind of Methodist Church for People Not in Church	<i>Kenneth H. Carter Jr. and Audrey Warren</i>	Abingdon Press, 2017	RP1901	\$14.99	
LD	SYNERGY – A Leadership Guide for Church Staff and Volunteers	<i>Ann A. Michel</i>	Abingdon Press, 2010	RP1903	\$14.99	
LD	WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR? ¿Quién es mi vecino? – Learning Spanish as Church Hospitality	<i>Joyce Carrasco, MTS, et al.</i>	Teacher and Student manuals	Kindle-only		
LP SG	LESSONS TO NOURISH THE SOUL – Sermons to Encourage and Challenge You	<i>Rev. Marjorie E. Palmer</i>	Create Space, 2016	Kindle-only		
NFC	BETTER – Waking Up to Who We Could Be	<i>Melvin Bray</i>	Chalice Press, 2017	RP1911	\$21.99	
NFC	HOPE FOR THE FUTURE – Answering God’s Call to Justice for Our Children	<i>Shannon Daley-Harris</i>	Westminster John Knox Press, 2016	RP1924	\$17.00	
NFC	THE HIDDEN LIFE AWAKENED	<i>Kitty Crenshaw and Cathy Snapp, PhD.</i>	Cairns Resources, 2016	RP1918	\$14.95	
NFC	THE SAME SKY: A NOVEL	<i>Amanda Eyre Ward</i>	Penguin Random House, 2015	RP1920	\$15.00	
NFC	WHEN DID EVERYBODY ELSE GET SO OLD?	<i>Jennifer Grant</i>	Herald Press, 2017	RP1916	\$16.99	
SA	NOBODY CRIES WHEN WE DIE – God, Community, and Surviving to Adulthood	<i>Patrick B. Reyes</i>	Chalice Press, 2016	RP1912	\$19.99	✓
SA	WALKING ON LAVA – Selected Works for Uncivilized Times	<i>The Dark Mountain Project</i>	Chelsea Green, 2017	RP1913	\$20.00	✓

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CATEGORY	TITLE	AUTHOR	PUBLISHER	STOCK #	PRICE	BONUS
SA	"WE ARE ALL FAST FOOD WORKERS NOW" – The Global Uprising Against Poverty Wages	<i>Annelise Orleck</i>	Beacon Press, 2018	RP1909	\$18.00	✓
SA	WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE – Chaos or Community?	<i>Martin Luther King, Jr.</i>	Beacon Press, 2010	RP1910	\$16.00	
SG	BE STILL – Departure from Collective Madness	<i>Gordon C. Stewart and Eric Ringham</i>	Wipf & Stock, 2017	Kindle-only		
SG	SPOKEN INTO BEING – Divine Encounters through Story	<i>Michael W. Williams</i>	Upper Room Books, 2017	RP1902	\$12.99	
SG	THE SOULMAKING ROOM	<i>Dee Dee Risher</i>	Abingdon Press, 2016	RP1905	\$16.99	
SG	THE WESLEY CHALLENGE – 21 Days to a More Authentic Faith – Leader Guide	<i>Chris Folmsbee</i>	Abingdon Press, 2017	RP1907	\$12.99	
SG	THE WESLEY CHALLENGE – Participant Book	<i>Chris Folmsbee</i>	Abingdon Press, 2017	RP1906	\$14.99	
SG	WHAT WE NEED IS HERE – Practicing the Heart of Christian Spirituality	<i>L. Roger Owens</i>	Upper Room Books, 2017	Kindle-only		
CH NFC	ALL THE COLORS WE ARE – The Story of How We Get Our Skin Color	<i>Katie Kissinger</i>	RedLeaf Press, 2017	RP1921	\$16.95	
CH NFC	NO ONE ELSE LIKE YOU	<i>Siska Goeminne</i>	Westminster John Knox Press, 2016	RP1925	\$16.00	
CH NFC	NOBODY! – A Story About Overcoming Bullying in Schools	<i>Erin Frankel</i>	Free Spirit Publishing, 2015	Kindle		
LD	WEIRD! – A Story about Bullying in Schools	<i>Erin Frankel</i>	Free Spirit Publishing, 2012	Kindle		

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CATEGORY	TITLE	AUTHOR	PUBLISHER	STOCK #	PRICE	BONUS
LD	RED	<i>Jan De Kinder</i>	Eerdmans Books for Young Readers, 2015	RP1915	\$16.00	
SG	ALL AROUND US	<i>Xelena González</i>	Cinco Puntos Press, 2017	RP1914	\$17.95	
YT EFM	AHIMSA	<i>Supriya Kelkar</i>	Lee & Low/Tu Books, 2017	Kindle-only		
YT NFC	DEAR IJEWELE, OR A FEMINIST MANIFESTO IN FIFTEEN SUGGESTIONS	<i>Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie</i>	Penguin Random House, 2017	Kindle-only		
YT LD	STEP UP TO THE PLATE MARIA SINGH	<i>Uma Krishnaswami</i>	Lee & Low/Tu Books, 2017	RP1917	\$16.95	
YT SG	WHAT'S YOUR STORY – Seeing Your Life Through God's Eyes	<i>Sarah Heath</i>	Abingdon Press, 2017	Kindle-only		
Korean and Spanish Titles						
KOR LD	리더가 리더에게 –탁월한 지도력을 위한 4가지 핵심 원리 Problems of Christian Leadership: 4 Core principles for Excellence in leadership	<i>John R. W. Stott (존 스토틀)</i>	IVP, 2016 (Korean Translation)			
KOR EFM	믿음의 땅 순례의 길 – Land of Faith	<i>유성종 이소윤 (Sungjong Yoo and Soyeon Lee)</i>	두란노, Duranno, 2016			
KOR NFC	언어의 온도 – Temperature of Language	<i>이기주 (Kijoo Lee)</i>	말글터, Malgultur, 2016			
KOR SG	왜 일하는가? – Why work?	<i>조정민 (Jungmin Cho)</i>	두란노, Duranno, 2017			
SP LD	EL ARTE DE COMUNICARNOS – Conceptos y Técnicas para una Comunicación Interpersonal Efectiva	<i>Oscar Anzorena</i>	Ediciones Lea			

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SP SG	EL BOSQUE ENCANTADO – Arte-Terapia para Colorear	<i>María Rosa Legarde</i>	Ediciones Lea			
SP SG	LA HISTORIA QUE HEREDAMOS – Novela Familiar y Trayectoria Social	<i>Vincent de Gaulejac</i>	Del Nuevo Extremo, 2016			
SP SA	MARTÍ Y SUS VERSOS POR LA LIBERTAD	<i>Emma Otheguy</i>	Lee & Low Books, 2017			
SP CH YT	POEMAS FAMILIARES PARA CADA DÍA DE LA SEMANA	<i>Francisco X. Alarcón</i>	Children's Book Press 2015			

RECOMMENDED READING LIST

EFM	MAKE A DIFFERENCE – Following Your Passion and Finding Your Place to Serve	<i>James A. Harnish</i>	Abingdon Press, 2017
EFM	UNIFIED WE ARE A FORCE – How Faith and Labor Can Overcome America's Inequalities	<i>Joerg Rieger and Rosemarie Henkel-Rieger</i>	Chalice Press, 2016
LD	COURAGE IS ABUNDANT IN THE ABSTRACT – Take Your Dreams from Abstract to Reality	<i>Selena Einwechter</i>	Deeds Publishing, 2016
LD	HANDS ON THE FREEDOM PLOW – Personal Accounts by Women of SNCC	<i>Edited by Faith S. Hosaert</i>	University of Illinois Press, 2010
NFC	DEEP DENIAL – The Persistence of White Supremacy in United States History and Life	<i>David Billings</i>	Crandall, Dostie & Douglas Books, 2016
SA	DO ALL LIVES MATTER? – The Issues We Can No Longer Ignore and the Solutions We All Long For	<i>Wayne Gordon and John M. Perkins</i>	Baker Publishing Group, 2017
SA	THE FEATHERED BONE: A NOVEL	<i>Julie Cantrell</i>	Thomas Nelson Publishers, 2016
SA	LOVE IN A TIME OF CLIMATE CHANGE – Honoring Creation, Establishing Justice	<i>Sharon Delgado</i>	Fortress Press, 2017

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LEGEND:

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| <p>EFM Education for Mission</p> <p>LD Leadership Development</p> <p>LP Large Print</p> <p>NFC Nurturing for Community</p> <p>SA Social Action</p> <p>SG Spiritual Growth</p> <p>CH Books for Children</p> <p>YT Books for Youth</p> | <p>KOR Korean language titles</p> <p>SP Spanish language titles</p> <p>Bonus Bonus Book</p> <p>Price Please note that prices are subject to change without notice</p> |
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Calendar 2018 / 2019

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| Dec 22 | January CTV due date | Mission Action Day / Greeting New Officers |
| Jan 12 | Executive Team phone conference (9-12pm) | |
| Feb 1-3 | Leadership Development Day | Tempe, AZ |
| Mar 2 | Mission u Conference Call | |
| Mar 9 | March CTV due date | Mission u |
| Apr 6 | Mission Action Day | Mauston |
| Apr 26-27 | Executive Team & Retreat | Black River Falls |
| July 21 | July CTV due date | Annual Gathering / Mission u Follow-Up |
| Jul 22-25 | Mission u | WI Rapids |
| Jul 26 | Mission u Overview date | WI Rapids |
| Aug 23-25 | Executive Team Meeting | Pine Lake / Westfield |
| Aug 24 | September CTV due date | Special Addition (new officer list & Annual Gathering registration) |
| Oct 18 | November CTV due date | Farwells from outgoing officers |
| Oct 18-19 | Annual Gathering | Black River Falls |
| Nov 1-2 | Mission u | LaCrosse Wesley |
| Dec 20 | January - 2020 CTV due date | Mission Action Day / Greeting New Officers |



Women's Retreat at Lake Lucerne Camp

Come to the Table ~ All are Welcome
April 26 – April 28, 2019



Registration Info:

Cost \$160 includes 2 nights lodging, 5 meals, 3 workshops, group activities, materials, and more.

A \$60 deposit must accompany your registration or you may pay in full. **Balance is due by April 1st.**

Refunds after April 1st only with substitution.

There are 60 spots available. Register early to save yours.

To register fill out pages 3 & 4 completely and send it with a check.

Make checks payable to **UMW**
Mail Registrations to **Oak Creek Community UMC**
8675 S. 13th Street
Oak Creek, WI 53154

Our Weekend Plan:

Friday: Check in begins at 5pm in the Ridgewood Retreat Center. Arrive at Lake Lucerne Camp at 5pm or later as your schedule allows. There will be time to relax and socialize. **Bring your favorite games and a snack** to share if you like.
7pm – Sing along
8pm – Orientation lower level of the Dining Hall
8:30pm - Mindful Movement

Saturday: Start with Mindful Movement at 7:15am if you like. Then we'll have breakfast, group time, and workshops. After lunch there will be another workshop session and some free time to hike, journal, socialize or nap. After supper we will have group devotion and singing. Then choose an activity: games, puzzles, campfire and social time.
7pm – Sing along

Sunday: Start with Mindful Movement at 7:15am if you like. After breakfast, we worship together then have another workshop opportunity. Following lunch we will say our good-byes and head for home refreshed and ready to invite everyone to God's table.

Massage Appointments

Table and chair massage will be offered. Appointments can be scheduled on a first come basis. They go fast so contact Bonnie to get a preferred time. They are paid for by the participant and only cash is accepted.

Blessed is the one who will eat at the feast in the kingdom of God.

Luke 14:15b



Questions: Bonnie Clement bonnieclement05@gmail.com 262-895-2644



Workshops Available:

SATURDAY 9:45am – 11:45am

Stamping: Make 3 cards with your choice of occasion using preset designs. No stamping experience necessary. Led by Laetita Oliver Stampin'Up Demonstrator.

Welcoming Church: Being a welcoming church starts with each of us. This workshop will open our hearts to inviting, welcoming and befriending folks into the journey of faith. Bring a friend. Led by Pastor Wendee Nitz.

Cooking: Work with a partner as we make some delicious bread and taste some samples. Maybe Earl Grey Lemon, Herb Spinach & Cheese Cornbread, Zucchini... Led by Melody Orban Master Gardener. **Limit 14**

SATURDAY 2:00pm – 4:00pm

Chimes: Like to praise God with music? No experience necessary. Learn to play the chimes and enjoy making music together as we *Come Worship at God's Table*. Led by Shelly Swodzinski.

Bible Study: Explore our call to God's radical hospitality through the stories of our faith. Led by Pastor Douglas Clement.

Nature Walk: Enjoy the beauty and wildlife of Lake Lucerne Camp as you are led by a Madison FUN Naturalist. Look for Fox Kits, Pileated Woodpeckers, Lady Slippers and much more.

SUNDAY 10:00am – 12:00pm

Mindful Movement: From Drama to Problem-Solver 1-2-3: Learn a practical tool to 1) Identify what creates drama, 2) Recognize the danger of avoiding drama, and 3) Use the ingredients of a recipe to problem solve. Led by Wendi Martell-Daniels.

Origami: Come join us as we transform paper into beautiful butterflies, boxes and more! Led by Marlea Johnson.

Photography: Want to take great pictures of God's creation with your phone or camera? Learn some simple techniques then get the chance to use those in Lake Lucerne Camp's beautiful setting. Led by Tom Wright.



Then the master told his servant, Go out to the roads and country lanes and compel them to come in, so that my house will be full. Luke 14:23

Information we need from you: (please print clearly & sign last page)



Name _____
 Birth Date _____
 Street Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
 Telephone #(s) Cell _____ Home _____
 Email _____
 Emergency Contact Name _____ Phone # _____
 Allergies _____
 Special dietary needs _____
 Medical Conditions _____
 Are you certified in First Aid _____ CPR? _____ Other? _____

Workshop Choices: Circle 1 workshop for each time slot.

Saturday 9:45 AM	Saturday 2 PM	Sunday 10 AM
Stamping	Chimes	Mindful Movement
Welcoming Church	Bible Study	Origami
Cooking (Limit 14)	Nature Walk	Photography

30 Minute Sessions open to all: Friday 8:30pm – Mindful Movement for Restful Sleep
 Saturday 7:15 am – Mindful Movement to Step Into the Day
 Sunday 7:15am – Mindful Movement as Healing Prayer

Camp Address: Lake Lucerne UMC Camp is located at W6460 County Rd YY, Neshkoro, WI 54960

Transportation: _____ I will car pool from Oak Creek Community UMC I'm available at _____
 _____ I can drive and take _____ passengers
 _____ I need a ride
 _____ I will provide my own transportation

Lodging Preference: Cabins have 6 rooms with 2 twin beds in each. They have a kitchen with fridge or kitchenette with mini fridge, living room, bathrooms and shower. **Bedding and towels are provided.**

_____ I would like to room with _____
 _____ Surprise me with a roommate
 If possible put me in a _____ Quiet Cabin _____ Chatty Cabin _____ I don't care which

Final payment is due April 1, 2019

Cost: \$160 for entire weekend.
 A \$60 deposit MUST accompany pages 3 & 4 of this form (or you may pay in full)
 REFUNDS AFTER April 1st only with substitution.



Make checks payable to UMW
Mail Registrations to Oak Creek Community UMC 8675 S. 13th Street, Oak Creek, WI 53154

Harmful drugs such as alcohol, tobacco, etc. are NOT allowed at camp.

(If you need to smoke please do so in your vehicle.)

Waiver, release and consent

CONSENT TO RECORDING AND USE OF PHOTOS AND VIDEO OF CAMPER. Representatives of the camp may record, by video, photograph or other means of reproduction, the Camper’s name, voice, image and physical likeness, and may use any such recorded matter for promotional purposes without further consent, notice or compensation.

ASSUMPTION OF RISK FOR CAMP ACTIVITIES. The Camper has my permission to participate in camp and retreat activities, including, but not limited to, swimming and other water activities, canoeing, hiking, ropes courses, horseback riding, rock climbing, campfires, outdoor games, athletic competitions, transportation to and from camp facilities, meals and other activities. **THE CAMPER AND I ACKNOWLEDGE AND KNOWINGLY ASSUME ALL RISKS OF INJURY, DEATH AND PROPERTY DAMAGE RESULTING FROM THE ACTIVITIES.**

WAIVER AND RELEASE. On behalf of myself, the Camper, and our respective family members, heirs and assigns, I hereby release and discharge The Wisconsin Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church and The Wisconsin Conference Board of Trustees of The United Methodist Church, Inc., and each of their officers, directors, members, employees, agents, affiliates, and volunteers, from any and all claims, liability, actions or suits for injury, death and property damage arising from or related to camp and retreat activities. **THE CAMPER AND I INTEND THIS TO BE A COMPLETE AND UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE OF ALL LIABILITY TO THE GREATEST EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW.**

By signing below, I, the undersigned, am stating that I am the parent or legal guardian of the Camper whose name is set forth below, and I have the right to contract for such Camper.

DO NOT SIGN THIS AGREEMENT UNTIL YOU HAVE READ IT IN ITS ENTIRETY.

Parent or Guardian’s Name (Printed)

Camper’s Name (Printed)

Parent or Guardian’s Signature

Camper’s Signature
(if over 13 years old January 1 of camp year)

Today’s Date

Camper’s Date of Birth

Today’s Date

