



United
Women
in Faith

All are invited to the 2024
**WISCONSIN CONFERENCE UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH
ANNUAL GATHERING**

“Food, Faith and Fellowship”

October 12, 2024

Lake Street United Methodist Church, 337 Lake Street, Eau Claire

Ingathering materials: This year we are collecting clean used socks to send for recycling. Credit received for donations can then be given as donations to Northcott Neighborhood House. Marilyn Eyster and the Milton UW Faith unit will be collecting and shipping the socks for other units.

Optional Activities: Bring 1-2 recipes for a recipe swap, cookbooks for an exchange and items for a Silent Auction to benefit Move4Missions. A sign-up sheet will be available for each recipe and cookbook placed on the table for the swap.

SATURDAY MORNING OCT. 12

Registration from 8:00 - 8:30AM; program begins at 8:30AM

Presentation by Bishop Dan Schwerin of Wisconsin/Northern Illinois Conference.

Worship leaders: Linda Caprariello with Pastor Grace Cajuat, song leader and Karol Hommen on the piano.

Keynote: Rev. Peace Kim, North West District Superintendent, Wisconsin Conference UMC, Board of Church & Society on “Peace and Justice”

Speaker: Heidi Careaga, Wisconsin Conference UW Faith Deaconess, National UW Faith Board on being a Deaconess. Introduction of all three Wisconsin UW Faith Deaconesses: Heidi Careaga, Marie Severing and Kady Herr-Yang

Redistricting Icebreaker: Gather by Districts, go from the old to the new

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

12:55-2:00PM Breakout Sessions (Choice of two)

- *Opening our eyes with the UWF Reading Program*-Looking for inspiration? Want to learn more about the way others have found to serve. Love to read but don't have the time? Gail Burgess will share the many ways you can join with others to participate in the UWF Reading Program and benefit others.
- *Harvesting Hope: Strengthening Communities Through Food*-Michelle Pride, Feed My People Food Bank-Serving Food Pantries to provide food to our neighbors struggling with hunger.
- *Green Team Start Up*-Josie Gobel, Green Team leader at First UMC, Madison. How to start a Green Team in your church.
- *Achieving Accessibility for all in your Church, small steps make a big difference*-Kristi Kroll, Lake Street UMC, will explain how their church achieved Gold Level Status for Accessibility Audit for the UMC and how you can too.

REGISTER BY Friday, SEPTEMBER 20, 2024 FOR A REDUCED FEE OF \$25 (INCLUDES SATURDAY LUNCH)

Late Registration Deadline October 1 at \$35

If you register after October 1, you will need to make your own lunch arrangements.

Contact Registrar: Jan Voss, 10087 151st St., Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

Jbv128@gmail.com 715-559-3430

Hotel Accommodations: A block of rooms has been reserved under United Women in Faith for Oct. 11. Everyone will need to reserve their own room using their credit card. Rooms for Conference Officers and those directly involved in the program will be paid for by the Conference. Their credit card is only to guarantee their room. Room block and rate expire September 11, 2024; they will be at the special discounted rates & tax free until Sept. 11. After Sept. 11, they will go back to the hotel.

Staybridge Suites, 1515 Bluestem Blvd., Altoona, WI 54720 715-830-0800 & Fax: 715 830-0802. www.staybridgesuites.com/altoonawi

A block of 15 rooms with a king bed & pull-out bed has been reserved under United Women in Faith at \$135.95 & \$155.95 at Staybridge Suites

Candlewood Suites, 4937 Bullis Farm Road, Eau Claire, WI 54701. 715-839-0967. Fax: 715-839-6564 Email: candlewoodec@larsonmanagement.com

A block of 10 rooms, 4 with double queen beds and the rest with a queen bed has been reserved under United Women in Faith at \$125.95 and \$135.95 Room block and rate expire September 11, 2024. If you reserve your room before September 11, you will not have to pay any tax.

Directions to Lake St. UMC – 337 Lake St. Eau Claire, WI 54703

From West – Take I-94 eastbound to Exit 65 (Hwy 37). Turn right onto Hwy 37 to Clairemont Ave. Turn left onto Clairemont Ave to Menomonie St. Turn right onto Menomonie St. (at end of bridge) & follow to 5th Ave. Turn left onto 5th Ave. to Lake St. Turn right onto Lake St. Church is on corner of Lake St. and 4th Ave.

From South – Take I-94 westbound to Exit 65 (Hwy 37). Turn right onto Hwy 37, then follow directions to church given for those coming from the west.

From East – Take Hwy 29 westbound to Exit 75A (Hwy 53). Go south on Hwy 53 to Exit 89 (River Prairie). Turn right onto River Prairie and go to Hwy 124 (Hastings Way). Turn left onto Hastings Way and go over bridge to stoplight at Main St. Turn right onto Main St. Follow Main St. to stoplight at Farwell St. Turn left onto Farwell St. Go 1 block and turn right at the stoplight onto Lake St. Church is on corner of Lake St. and 4th Ave.

From North – Take Hwy 53 south to Exit 89 (River Prairie). Turn right onto River Prairie and follow directions to church given for those coming from the east.

Note – These directions are not necessarily the most direct route through Eau Claire to the church but involve the least number of turns and avoids most high traffic areas.

Wisconsin Conference Annual
Gathering of United Women of
Faith: Lake Street Methodist
Church, 337 Lake St, Eau Claire,
WI 54703

October 12, 2024

**Early Registration Deadline:
September 20 at \$25**

**Late Registration Deadline:
October 1 at \$35.**

If you register after October 1, you
will need to make your own lunch
arrangements for Saturday

Saturday Optional Activities:

You may bring:

Recipes to swap
Cookbooks to exchange
Silent Auction items for
Move4Missions

During Lunch Activities:

Visit displays/Mission Fun Facts
12:30PM

**Saturday afternoon breakout
session:**

Please circle two preferences for
breakout sessions.

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- A. *Opening Our eyes with the
UWF Reading Program-Gail
Burgess*
- B. *Harvesting Hope:
Strengthening Communities
through Food-Michelle Pride*
- C. *Green Team Start Up-Josie
Gobel*
- D. *Achieving Accessibility for
all in your church-Katie
Kroll*

Please PRINT: If registering for more than one person,
copy and complete a separate form for each person.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: ____ Zip Code _____

Email Address: _____

Phone: _____

Church: _____

District: _____

Please check all that apply:

____ Teen (Teen only Age)

____ First Time Attending

____ UWF member

____ Clergy

____ Guest (not UWF member)

Lunch: Please check the circle for which sandwich you
would like in your box lunch:

Chicken salad sandwich-gluten free option available

Tuna salad sandwich-gluten free option available.

Veggie hummus wrap

Dessert: Strawberry ice cream sundaes

Coffee, lemonade, and water

Bring refillable coffee and water containers.

There is no childcare available.

Emergency contact information:

Name _____

Relationship _____

Day Phone _____ Evening _____

Photo release: Photos will be taken at our Annual
Gathering and could be used in material to promote
United Women in Faith. I permit my photo to be used
by Wisconsin United Women in Faith to help share
United Women in Faith with others.

Name (print) _____

Sign _____ Date _____

Special request: ____ I need a scholarship
(25 scholarships available, awarded to the first 25 to
make a request).

Make checks payable to:

WISCONSIN CONFERENCE UMW

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TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ _____