United Women in Faith

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December, 2023 Wisconsin Conference

Appreciating Our Past Year and Looking Forward to the Coming Year

Gloria Carter

As we come to the end of another year, it seems like a good time to contemplate all we have experienced this year as Wisconsin Conference United Women in Faith. I give thanks for all of you. You have supported United Women in Faith with your time, unique talents, and prayers. Whether you have used your gifts at the local, district, or conference level, you have been an essential piece of God's Mosaic of Faith.

In January of 2023 we welcomed Linda Caprariello as our Spiritual Growth Coordinator and Mia Haberl as the Education and Interpretation Coordinator. I appreciated the support and mentoring which Cherrie Hartley provided Mia and Mia's enthusiasm for taking on her position. It has been a joy to experience Linda's leadership in creating worshipful experiences for us.

Our conference events in 2023 have included our Social Action Day on April 15, organized by our hard-working Social Action Coordinator, Kathy Hartke. With the theme of "Faithful Climate Action," it featured speakers Elena Canler, M.A., M.P.H. (they/their) Deputy Director Faith in Place: “Interwoven Crises: How Climate Change and Identity Impact Maternal and Child Health,” Rebecca Gregory of United Methodist Children's Service of WI, Inc. and Alexander Malchow, WI Policy Coordinator of Faith in Place, speaking on "The Art of Advocacy, Creating Change in the 21st Century." Many participants were able to attend at "watch parties" and enjoy conversation about the topics.

With Mary Lainberger as Dean and Laura Pfeffer as Assistant Dean, the 2023 Mission u included Zoom sessions in May and in-person Mission u at First UMC in Baraboo in July. The theme, "Living the Good News: Reflecting God's Love" explored the Lord's Prayer as a spiritual practice for social transformation. Our Vice-President, Deb Pattee, organized and led our Annual Gathering on Oct. 13-14 at Lake Street Church in Eau Claire with a Friday evening conversation on how to have difficult conversations, led by Kerri Parker, director of WI Council of Churches.

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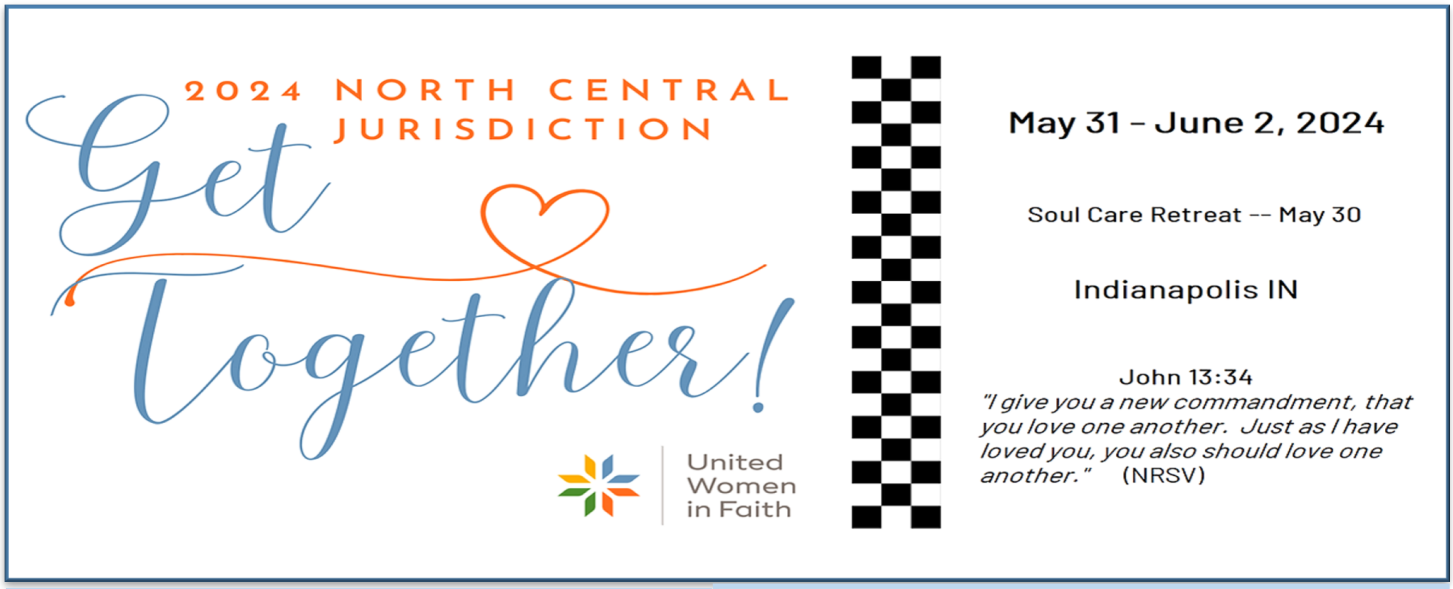
And now, looking forward to 2024, we have more exciting opportunities for you. Watch for information on our next Social Action Day, Mission u, and our Annual Gathering in October, once again at Eau Claire. If you attended this year (or even if you didn't), tell others about our events, how they feed our soul and minds, and how they connect us to each other. Next year will be especially important as the North Central Jurisdiction holds its Quadrennial Event in Indianapolis May 30-June 2. Registrations have been open. The business of the Jurisdiction Quadrennial Event is to elect the members of the National Board and Program Advisory Group, but you don't have to be a voting delegate or candidate to attend. Many activities and opportunities for learning are available for anyone attending. See the information below for more details.

United Women in Faith offers so many ways to put your faith into action. What one works for you?

Gloria Carter, Conference President

To register for the North Central Jurisdiction 2024 Quadrennial Event go to: **https://www.umwncj.org/**



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North Central Jurisdiction

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2024 Quadrennial Event

Our Region
Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, Wisconsin

Online Registration closes	April 20, 2024	$265
Soul Care Retreat (opt.)	Filled until capacity	$75

Meet Our Wisconsin Deaconess

Kady Herr-Yang

Kady Herr-Yang My story starts with being available and willing to hear God's call at His timing. I've always felt called to a lifetime of servanthood to God. That's why I always wanted to be involved in serving Him ever since I was a youth. But, I knew that ordained ministry was not for me. I was not sure what the best course of action would be for a layperson.

When I served as a Women's Division Director from 2000-2008, there were many of my director friends who became deaconesses, and I was in awe of their accomplishments. It was through their journey and consecration that I came to learn more about the Order of Deaconess and Home Missioner. And now, I am one of them.

My ministry goal as a Deaconess is to be available to support Hmong patients emotionally and spiritually, who are struggling with illnesses especially the elderly population in the Advocate Aurora health system where I am currently employed as a full time Hmong Medical Interpreter. Spiritual care is without a doubt, an important part of health care and thus hospitals provide spiritual support to patients and their companions every day. By handling these encounters in a compassionate yet professional manner, as a healthcare interpreter, I play a key role in patients' experience when going through emotional moments. I work with chaplains to provide prayers and support as needed. And, I have also helped provide education to providers about the Hmong culture and their beliefs and views of western medicines and treatments.

One of the greatest joys about my ministry is that I get to plant seeds and let God take care of the rest. I'm not a doctor, but as a medical interpreter, I get a glimpse of how they feel when they save lives every day. "I serve neither for gratitude nor reward but from gratitude and love; my reward is that I may serve." This is our UM deaconess and home missioner motto.

Thank you for letting me share my story with you and I hope that my story will help you hear His call to be a deaconess or a home missioner.

Kady, an immigrant, is our first Hmong Deaconess. She was consecrated as Deaconess at our 2022 Assembly.

Two of Our Wisconsin Deaconess Candidates

Heidi J. Careaga, Deaconess Candidate

Heidi Careaga

Since I accepted Jesus Christ as my savior at seventeen, I discovered a new life in Christ. I found a new family in the church, and God has blessed me so much that He has given me a heart of service. We are all called to serve in one way or another in the body of Christ. We all have different callings, and we need to discern what that calling is. I love to be a lay servant in the church. I have served in many areas in the church and outside the church since I gave my life to Christ. As a layperson, I can say the world is my parish, just as John Wesley once said. I attended a Deaconess and Home Missioner workshop during the 2014 Assembly and knew this program was extra special. I learned that discernment takes a lifetime, but the call is always there. I attended a discernment event early in 2022, and I knew God had called me to a lifetime of service in the Church for Love, Justice, and Service.

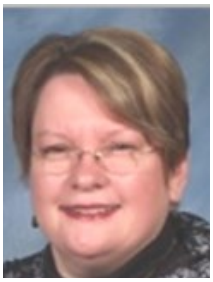
I currently serve as the District Administrator in our beloved Wisconsin Conference. I work in the district administration ministry with Love, Justice, and Service. The Lord uses me as the bridge of connection between the local church and our larger church. I am one of the two DHM candidates that have taken all the steps necessary on the DHM track journey, taken the required courses, met other requirements, and pieces of training. I will wait for additional steps and hope to be consecrated as Deaconess in the UMC. Consecration of the Deaconess and Home Missionaries will take place next year in April during the General Conference in Charlotte, North Carolina, and represent our Wisconsin Conference UWFaith. One of the questions I've been asked is: Will this new relationship in the church change anything that you do? My answer is that I will continue to serve the Lord within the Conference and continue my lifetime discernment open to what God may call me to do in ministries of Love, Justice, and Service. I encourage anyone to explore the order of Deaconess and Home Missioner order within the UMC. Who knows, God may call you for a lifetime service as well. For more information go to Office of Deaconess & Home Missioner | United Women in Faith (uwfaith.org) and start your discernment today and who knows, you may become part of the Order of deaconess & Home Missioner which is celebrating 135 years!

Marie Severing, Deaconess Candidate in The United Methodist Church

Choral Director

Lay Leader to the Wisconsin Annual Conference

Cargill United Methodist Church – member since 1973



Marie Severing

Ministry is about giving of ourselves, sharing time, talents, and resources to bless and help other's lives be filled. The mantra of a minister is to show love, seek justice and commit to a life of service in the name of Jesus Christ. When we serve in a ministry, we can find our greatest joy and most fulfillment in life. John Wesley's motto was, "Do all the good you can, in all the ways that you can, in all the places that you can, at all the times that you can, to all the people that you can as long as ever you can." I have had that need and want during my life.

I have felt a call, a force pulling in my heart, since the early 1990's. I believe this "tug" came from the Holy Spirit tapping me on the shoulder, whispering in my ear and taking me by the hand, walking with me down the path of serving as a Deaconess. For 40 years, I have enjoyed a wonderfully fulfilling career as a high school vocal music teacher, having taught hundreds of extremely talented students and connected with incredibly supportive families. In addition, I have been serving in a church music ministry at Cargill United Methodist Church, Janesville, WI, for several years, but I yearned for more knowledge, discernment and focus as an individual. The seminary courses that I have experienced that have included Old and New Testament, Biblical History, United Methodist Polity and Doctrine, Philosophy of Mission and comprehensive spiritual formation offered by the United Methodist Office of Deaconess and Home Missioner, have helped me become more whole and prepared for the next chapter of my life. My ministry is music and will continue to be. I am fully open to different paths as they become available and would welcome walking down new paths of service.

Since my completion of all coursework, I have received notification that I will be consecrated at the General Conference of The United Methodist Church in Charlotte, NC on April 29, 2024. I am blessed, honored and excited to be entering the UMC Order of Deaconesses and Home Missioners!

UWFaith Local Units Mission Funds Best Practices:

By: Heidi J Careaga, Board of Director's Finance Chair

If we regularly read Response Magazine and many more resources that our organization offers, we should know *Where the Money Goes* and how it is used, right? We should keep in mind who we are as an organization and how the UMC recognizes us according to the bylaws and the Book of Discipline. In ¶256, Section 5, Article 6 of the BOD gives us instructions and authority for UWFaith to secure funds for mission with women, children, and youth. Here is my abbreviated version:

a) The organized unit shall secure funds for the fulfillment of its Purpose.
b) All funds belong to the organization and shall be disbursed only in accordance with its constitution.
c) The total budget shall include pledges and other money for the program and responsibilities of the national office directed through the channels of giving. Any funds to be used locally*, shall be for administration and membership development**.
d) The local unit shall make an annual pledge*** to the total budget of the district/conference.
e) All Mission Giving funds channeled to the UWFaith National Office shall be appropriated by the board of directors, elected by the membership.

These guidelines are straightforward, don't you think? So, that leaves me to say that anything that the local unit does outside these guidelines are not the best practices on behalf of our organization. As women in faith God has given us the wisdom and authority on how to best conduct our lives and our personal finances. Even more so, we should use God given wisdom and authority to administer our organization's finances in the best interest for our organization. I know that we wish we could offer funding to many local, national, and international organizations that reflect our interests, but the reality is that we cannot do everything, and we have chosen to commit to the mission of the UWFaith organization. Let us continue doing so by supporting our five channels of giving, being inspired by the impact that we can make happen if we all contribute and continue to inspire new women in our local units to do the same. I will always remember what a finance chair told me, "God gave us 100% of what we have. We are only giving it back". This is so true! We would have nothing without God's help and strength, all we have has been given to us 100%. Let us give it back to God in a way that it will be pleasing!

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Mission Locally:** The budget category that enables the local group to be in mission in its own area. Items such as contributions to local mission programs ***are appropriate. Items that are the responsibility of the whole church are ***not approtriate***, such as the church budget or building fund, parsonage upkeep, or groups, such as Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and the United Fund, which have community wide sources of support. Where custom and tradition have included inappropriate items under mission locally, ***careful interpretation*** will help UWFaith members prepare budgets that more closely reflect the Purpose of the organization. The Budget of UWFaith must support mission programs and projects that depend on the organization basic support.

****Administration and membership development:** Items that enrich the educational experiences and leadership capabilities of local members and that are necessary for the organization's functioning. Appropriate expenditures include dependent care for meetings, postage and printing, program materials, program expenses, attendance at Mission u and other conference and district meetings, ecumentical mission programs, and other items relating to the UWFaith.

*****Pledge to Mission:** The total amount that the group expects to send on to the district treasurer. The unit should consider all sources of funds available such as pledges, gifts and offerings, and moneys from fund raisers. The funds raised for Special Mission Recognitions, Gift to Mission, Gifts in Memory, and the World Thank Offering may or may not be itemized in the budget, but all the funds are also sent to the district treasurer budgeted or not.

Spiritual Growth

Isaiah 45:3 ***"I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places, so that you may know that it is I, the LORD, the God of Israel, who will call you by your name."***

1 John 1:5 ***"God is light; in him there is no darkness at all."***

Ephesians 5:8 ***"For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light."***

Linda Caprariello

For those of you who missed our annual gathering in Eau Claire this past October, we missed your presence! For me, it was my first time to attend, and I am so glad that I made my way north from Madison, for this new experience! The rain did not deter many of our brave-hearted souls, and I must admit, their determination to persevere in less than perfect conditions, to "Go, Learn & Do" the wonderful activities planned, has made me want to try harder the next time! I hope you will look ahead in 2024, to do the same!

But for now, as we close out the end of this year, I invite you to explore an idea from a book that I found at annual gathering called: *"Learning to Walk in the Dark*" by Barbara Brown Taylor. Her introduction opened with these lines that caught my attention: *"Come inside now, it's getting dark." 'That is my mother speaking, saying the same thing she said every night when she looked out the kitchen window and saw that the sun was going down.'*

How many of you can relate to that time of childhood freedom…of our times of running around the neighborhood all day long? But then…it got dark, and we had to go inside to be safe. This made me stop to think about my life now – especially as I age! Even today, I feel safe and sound in my well-lit home, with the music blaring or the TV on, mostly so that I don't feel so lonely. The early darkness of winter can set the stage for seasonal depression and anxiety – especially with the rush and fuss of upcoming holiday stresses! It IS a joyful time of the year, but it can become stressful, when we fall prey to let the darkness invade and overcome our spirit…. There is SO much to do! And it can become a time, where waves of darkness can bring us down and out!

I have just begun reading this book, and her message of *embracing the darkness* is egging me on to find out more: What lessons are waiting to be learned, if only we would come out from the safety of the light and walk in the darkness? And, what does "darkness" mean, anyway?? This author seems to point to the idea that it is in those times of darkness, when God shows up in new and intriguing ways!

What do you think? Let us find some ways to talk about it in the new year ahead! Thankfully, we KNOW that the Good News is this: Advent is the waiting time, and then…the manger is AGLOW with God's beautiful gift of LIGHT! Jesus is born in that light, and shines upon us, every single day! Let us walk in His Light in the months ahead…even when those everyday shadows of darkness may fall upon us: HE IS THERE, and we will learn from it!

Waiting in His Light with you!

Linda Caprariello

2023 Conference Annual Gathering is a Success

The Conference Annual Gathering hosted by the wonderful women of the United Women of Faith at Lake Street UMC, Eau Claire was surely a Mosaic of Faith as the 2023 Program theme implies. Some of us started early Friday morning to reach Hope Village in Chippewa Falls at 10 AM through a driving rain. Hope Village is a tiny home village serving homeless people of the Chippewa Valley, providing shelter and hope for the future. We learned how in 2016 the tiny homes were built until there were ten with plans for sixplexes in the future. We learned how to make laundry soap, dryer sheets and dryer balls from home ingredients to economize and save the environment. Mike Cohoon, Director of Hope Village, was our Saturday keynote speaker. After lunch, we headed to the Chippewa Valley Museum to learn the history of the Eau Claire and Chippewa Falls area from explorer days to present. Then on to the sculpture walk in downtown Eau Claire hosted by Deb Pattee, Vice-President who organized the entire event and did a fantastic job. Three of us walked two miles in the rain crossing the Eau Claire River twice on walking bridges looking at all the fantastic sculptures made by various artists on display. This was our designated Move 4 Missions event.

We entered the church and registered for the Annual Gathering at 5 p.m. receiving a booklet with a Mosaic of Faith cross design on it made by Deb Pattee's son. We were greeted by Jan Voss, Registrar, Rita Houser, President of UWFaith Lake Street and Annette Pederson, NW Treasurer. Irene Verdegan led the singing with Karol Hommen, pianist. Linda Caprariello led us in worship on loving one another and modeling a fruitful tree both Friday and Saturday a.m. Both days, Sarah Aiken-Felling led us in guided somatic meditation and exercises in breath and body awareness. Kerri Parker, Director of the Wisconsin Council of Churches was our keynote speaker on Friday night on the subject of Difficult Conversations.

Saturday was a full day. Heidi Careaga, National Finance Chair, talked about Move 4 Missions and the three new initiatives: to inspire, to influence and to impact on our website. Mike Cohoon's talk on the development of Hope Village was followed by a foot and hand washing led by Rev. Barbara Certa-Werner. Gloria Carter conducted the business meeting and Conference Officers were installed. After a wonderful lunch served by the Lake Street UWFaith group, we spread out for 5 breakout session: ministries of the Chippewa Falls Mission Coalition, Kairos Prison Ministry, Our Whole Lives Matter, Why Gardening is good for us, and Shaping Destiny video and discussion. Each was a learning event of its own with heartrending stories, uplifting conversation and mindful awareness of the environment and what it can do for your health. We concluded with communion led by Rev. Jerry Morris of Lake St. UMC.

We all went home renewed in faith and spirit, strength to serve others and happiness from being with our United Women in Faith sisters.

Evaluations echoed many sentiments like, "We all fit together, telling our story as a part of God's story, the Friday events were terrific, the liturgy and Bible passages were awesome, foot and hand washing ceremony meaningful, I got lots of ideas for a Soul Care Retreat, Chippewa Valley has a great coalition to reduce homelessness, value of tiny houses and mentorship. Innovative project—should be shared with other cities. Enthusiasm, information and friendship. It was exceptional and I will encourage more people to attend.

Chris Anding , Conference Secretary

Food, Faith and Fellowship Conference Yearbook 2024

Josie Gobel

Chris Anding

Josie Gobel and Chris Anding are hard at work already assembling the Conference Yearbook for 2024. The 2024 theme will be "Food, Faith & Fellowship". The program books are available under Shop & Download, scrolling down to Shop all Items on the uwfaith.org website or going to uwfaith.mn.co on our mighty networks site. The 2024 Program Book is also available digitally on uwfaith.mn.co where all monthly lessons can be previewed now. The hard copy books will be sent out in December. I just learned there will be a Conference Officer Briefing nationally on Tuesday, January 23, 2024 at 6 p.m. by Zoom. There will also be Leadership Development Days nationally on November 21-23, 2024 by Zoom. Please note.

Josie has sent out templates as suggested by Amy, owner of Bob's Copy Shop, Madison, to each District for their team rosters and is receiving updates. Chris is getting the Conference Officer roster updated. What we need now are the **lists of unit presidents with contact information, dates of district events, and deadlines for district newsletters.** The formatting for the Yearbook will be different this year with each unit contact information in columnar form making it easier to read and look up.

Deadlines for all contact information have been extended to January 1, 2024. We hope to process all information and get it to the printer by January 15, 2024. We hope that works for you. If you have questions, please contact Chris at christinemarie1950@gmail.com or 262-607-1386. Thank you for your help.

Mission u 2024 – Get Ready to Explore the Kin-dom of God Among Us!

For those of us who were able to attend Mission u in 2023, we listened and learned about what it means to Live in the Kin-dom of God. By relearning the Lord's prayer, we were able to see how God works within and through us. I hope you had a chance to engage with this wonderful curriculum in some way in this past year, but we aren't done yet. This wonderful theme of the Kin-dom of God continues for Mission u 2024. This new study will pull us even deeper into the concept of how the Kin-dom of God is already among us. Jesus often spoke of the ways in which the Kin-dom of God is already present and how it manifests in the lives of people of faith. I know you will not want to miss this opportunity to grow spiritually and be challenged to think differently in 2024. So, mark your calendars now and plan to join us along with as many friends as you can gather to attend Mission u either on-line Tues/Thurs evenings June 18, 20 & 25, 27, 2024 or for our Overview day Saturday, July 13, 2024, at New Lisbon: Winding Rivers UMC. Due to the small size of our Mission u team this year, Wisconsin is not planning to host a 3-day Mission u in 2024. We invite those who wish to attend a longer in-person event in 2024 to participate in the Northern Illinois Conference Mission u which will be held at their camp in south-east Wisconsin the third weekend of July. I hope you are looking forward to continuing your journey into understanding the Kin-dom of God as it works among us all. I want to see all of you at Mission u in 2024!

Laura Pfeffer

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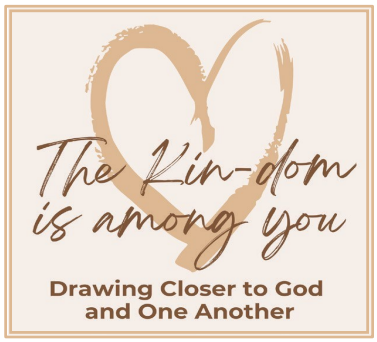

Mission u 2024

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Join us at **Mission u** as we explore what it means to draw closer to God and one another.

Jesus told his followers the kin-dom was among them (Luke 17:21). What does that mean? Who does Jesus say will inherit the kin-dom? How do we transform ourselves and our communities in ways that bring us closer to the kin-dom and the kin-dom closer to us? Dive into these questions and more at Mission u 2024 as we examine Scripture together and join in worship, fellowship, and action.

Mission u 2024 offers three exciting curricula on this theme:

Order your copy here: https://uwfaithresources.org

Adult — *Welcome Home* by Neomi Fletcher
The adult curriculum uses the image of home to explore how living in close proximity to the kin-dom is like making a home with God. Participants are invited to develop practices for building healthy, welcoming communities as a result of being anchored in the abiding love of God.

Youth — *Cultivating Symbiosis: The Nature of God's Kin-dom* by Nica Sy In Creation, we see the power of symbiosis, or interdependent relationship. The youth curriculum explores the idea of symbiosis between our relationships with one another and our relationship with God. By drawing closer to one another and our world, we draw closer to the kin-dom.

Children — *Me in the Kin-dom* by Kathy Cook
The children's curriculum uses the Lord's Prayer as a lens to help us see that we are all members of the family of God. Children will begin to understand that the kin-dom is living with Christ and one another on earth as in heaven.

Join us!

dates/times:
Online Mission u Tues/Thurs, 6:30PM-9:00PM June 18, 20 & 25, 27, 2024
Overview day Sat July 13, 2024, at New Lisbon: Winding Rivers UMC
YOMICA (Youth Mission Camp) at Pine Lake Camp (see camping brochure for dates and registration)

Come learn together for the transformation of the world!

Update from Nominations

Then I heard the voice of the LORD saying. "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" and I said, "Here I am. Send me!" - Isaiah 6:8

The nominations committee is still working to fill open positions for 2024.

We are looking for a Vice President. If you are someone who enjoys program and event planning, this is the position for you. The Vice President's main duty is leading the Annual Gathering planning.

We need seven members to fill out the nominations committee. We would like people from all districts to help ensure that the conference leadership represents all parts of the conference. There are currently openings for the 2025, 2026 and 2027 classes.

Contact the nominations committee if you or someone you know would like more information about any of the open positions. Please prayerfully consider saying "Yes." You may be stepping out of your comfort zone, but the experience will be worth it.

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Executive Director, Tony Northcott, Has a Vision for Northcott's Future

Tony Kearney, Executive Director

Our United Women in Faith giving supports nearly 90 National Mission Institutes across the United States serving the needs of marginalized and vulnerable communities. In Wisconsin, our NMI is **Northcott Neighborhood House** in Milwaukee. It was started 63 years ago by Methodist women who saw a need.

Mr. Tony Kearney currently serving as the Executive Director of Northcott has established it as a cornerstone agency serving the whole city of Milwaukee.

Last April women from Milton UMC traveled to Milwaukee to interview Mr. Kearney. Their pastor, Jonathan Kim, recorded and edited the interview and placed it on You Tube. Milton United Women in Faith invite you to view the interview and use it with your unit if it meets a need. Hear Tony Kearney talk about his dreams for Northcott:

Search on You Tube: **UWF Visit to Northcott** or **UWF Visit to Northcott—short**

Looking for a Book Club to Discuss Our Reading Program Books?

Gail Burgess

Gail Burgess, Secretary of Program Resources for South East District leads a monthly Reading Program book discussion over Zoom. The group read and discussed *They Called Us Enemy* by George Takei for November. They plan to discuss the book *Our Strangely Warmed Hearts: Coming Out Into God's Call* by Karen Oliveto on Tuesday, December 28, at 6:30 p.m. Gail welcomes other interested women to join the discussion group. Send your request to Gail at hb53104@aol.com, and she will send you the link.

Mabel Heil Scholarship Fund
Wisconsin Conference

The Mabel Heil Scholarships are made possible by earnings from a trust established in the will of Sarah Mabel Heil, a resident of Cuba City, Wisconsin. Funds are awarded by the Heil Scholarship Committee of the Wisconsin Conference United Women in Faith and are invested in the Wisconsin United Methodist Foundation. Any Wisconsin United Methodist woman working to improve her education may apply.

Available Funds:

a. Funds will be invested in the Wisconsin United Methodist Foundation, in a fund split 60 percent equity and 40 percent fixed.

b. Funds available to provide scholarships for each semester will be calculated as 2.5 percent of the fair market value of the Mabel Heil Scholarship Fund as of the end of the month prior to the approval of Scholarships.

Eligibility Requirements:

a. Must be a female member of the United Women in Faith and/or United Methodist Church, Wisconsin.

b. Submit a written answer to the question, “In what ways do I consider myself a worthy student?”

c. Letter of recommendation from either the president of the local UWFaith unit or from your pastor.

d. Letter of recommendation from a church member who is not a member of your household and is not a relative. (Person writing letter on behalf of applicant is to send the letter directly to the contact person)

e. All letters must be written (Preferably typed) on one side of an 8.5x11” sheet of white paper using black ink.

Application Procedures:

a. Awarded for one semester at a time. To be considered again for any subsequent semester, send letter asking to be considered.

b. Graduate students may apply for each semester as long as they meet the other requirements

c. Application and two (2) letters of recommendation OR RECONSIDERATION LETTER must be received by May 1 for the fall semester or October 1 for the spring semester. Checks will be disbursed by August 15 and January 15.

Application forms may be requested from this email loosesilv45@gmail.com or the address below.

Or call: 715 325 2841

Obtain an application form and send to:

Mabel Heil Scholarship

Lucy Silvester

373 15th Ave.

Nekoosa, WI 54457

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United Women in Faith
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Calendar 2024

Jan. 13	Executive Team—zoom meeting (9 a.m.—noon)
March 1	Catch the Vision newsletter deadline
March 9	Mission u—zoom meeting (9 a.m.— noon)
April 13	Social Action Day (9:00 a.m.—noon)
April 20	Executive Team—zoom meeting (9 a.m.—noon)
May 1	Catch the Vision newsletter deadline
May 31—June 2	North Central Jurisdiction Quadrennial Event—Indianapolis
June 18, 20, 25, 27	Mission u by zoom
July 13	Overview Day Mission u — New Lisbon: Winding Rivers UMC
Aug. 23-25	Executive Team/Mission u Meeting at Pine Lake
Sept. 1	Catch the Vision newsletter deadline
Oct. 11-12	Conference Annual Gathering — Eau Claire, Lake St. UMC
Oct. TBD	WI Conference Leadership Development — zoom meeting
Nov. 2	Mission u/Executive Team—zoom meeting (9 a.m.—noon)
Dec. 1	Catch the Vision newsletter deadline

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