

Jubilate

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THE PURPOSE -

United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through

Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

FROM OUR DISTRICT PRESIDENT - - -

Change! It is something we either welcome - or cringe at the thought of it. Throughout the years we have all witnessed changes in our lives, in society, in our churches and in United Methodist Women.

What hasn't changed is the need for the education and mission work done through our units of UMW! Read and share the information in our *Jubilate* and in the *response* magazine. Share the information available on our Wisconsin web page: www.wisconsinumw.org. That is where you will find the census all units must fill out. It is also where you will find program materials, registration forms for Mission u and Mission Action Day. District newsletters can also be found there.

I look forward to seeing you at our District's Spring Retreat at Pine Lake Camp on May 2. Bring a friend. It is a great chance for renewal, learning, and fellowship as well as an opportunity to see the camp your youth might

be attending.

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FROM OUR SPIRITUAL GROWTH COORDINATOR - - -

Give Thanks and Be Grateful!

Jesus always gave thanks. In Matthew 14:19 before feeding the five thousand, the Gospel tells us, "Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds." (NRSV)

We are reminded to be grateful for the gifts we receive daily from God. "Count Your Blessings" is an old hymn that my mother and grandmother used to sing while working in the kitchen. The refrain goes, "Count your many blessings, see what God has

done." I am thankful for the members of our District Team, for Betty Foemmel's example and devotion to Spiritual Growth and UMW. I am grateful for my local unit, friends and family — the list goes on. Some days I am grateful that there is coffee in the pantry and the coffeemaker works!

God continues blessing us in so many different ways. Let us give thanks to the Lord!

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FROM OUR DISTRICT TREASURER.....

Greetings!

Our 5-Channel Pledge to Mission giving for 2019 amounted to \$42,878.28. That is 1.5% more than last year. While that may not seem like a lot, it is a positive. We currently have 29 units reporting.

Unit report packets were mailed to unit treasurers at the end of January. Presidents, please make certain your treasurer received your unit's packet. It includes the unit's financial activity report for 2019 as well as Remittal, SMR and Gift to Mission Forms to be copied for your convenience. Units who have not sent in their Pledge to Mission for 2020 will also have a pledge form enclosed.

"Fill the Gap" brought in \$305 which was applied to the District Pledge. As a result, we

will continue with this program. Individuals and units are encouraged to send in extra monies tabbed as "Fill the Gap". Individuals donating should designate the unit they represent. While these monies do not replace or add to the unit pledge, they are applied to the District pledge.

If there are any changes to any physical or email addresses, phone numbers, or anything else involving your unit, please make certain I receive the changes.

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2020 NORTH CENTRAL DISTRICT UMW

SPRING RETREAT



Saturday, May 2, 2020, at Pine Lake Camp

W8301 County Rd. M

Westfield, WI 53964

(608) 296-2720

Theme: "O'K, Lord, now what do I do?"

All Christians face difficult times. Do I really have to accept the things I cannot change? Are there nuggets of wisdom in the Scriptures that help us find serenity in the face of adversity? What hymns and songs offer snatches of comfort and courage when we struggle?

Margaret Getzin, Presenter

Bring your Bible & coffee mug and join us for prayer, discussion & supportive fellowship.

Registration: 8:30am with breakfast snacks, coffee, tea & juice - Amphlett Hall

Gathering Time: 9:30am

Presentation: 10:00am

Lunch: Noon

Closing: 2:30pm

Cost: \$20 (includes lunch and materials)

Registration Deadline is April 15th

**Registrar: Joan Burk-Miller
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As a mission offering, we will have a basket available to collect money (check or cash) to help "Fill the Gap" for our North Central District's pledge to mission.

Mail your registration slip and check payable to North Central District UMW to:
Joan Burk-Miller
606 E Cassidy Dr.
Wausau, WI 54401

Name _____

Address _____

UMW Unit _____ **Phone** _____

Email _____

Do you have a food sensitivity/allergy? Please describe your needs.

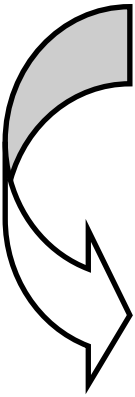
FROM OUR SECRETARY—- - -

Thank you to all Unit Secretaries in the North Central District for turning in your slate of officers for 2020 in order to update our District Yearbook. If you have any changes of officers in your Unit throughout the year, please contact me at: gatestism@aol.com.

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Enjoy the upcoming spring and let your “light grow and shine” as we continue in mission in 2020!

TWO IS GOOD, TOO!



At the North Central District's Annual Gathering last September, we elected two UMW members to fill the vacancies of two different offices which had two combinations of Mission Coordinator jobs:

Membership Outreach & Program Resources: Suzanne Goldsmith
Social Action & Mission Education: Cindy Tyjeski

Welcome to those two, too!



FROM OUR MEMBERSHIP OUTREACH & PROGRAM RESOURCES MISSION COORDINATOR.....

I would like to take a minute to introduce myself. My name is Suzanne Goldsmith. I live in Black River Falls with my husband and youngest daughter. We have 5 adult children and 5 grandkids.

I am excited to take this new venture on as the North Central District Mission Coordinator for Membership Outreach and Program Resources.
Please contact me with any questions you

may have with our UMW Reading Program and I will try my best to find you the answer.

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A Reading Program Report Form is printed below so that you can record the books you read throughout the year. Selections from 2015-2020 will be credited through December of 2020. Reading reports are also available online along with the lists of books for the accepted years. This year the forms will go to **Suzanne Goldsmith; 501 Monroe St; Black River Falls, WI 54615**. Watch for more information in the fall “*Jubilate*”.

As a reminder, the United Methodist Women members may obtain Reading Program books through third parties---libraries, local bookstores and online. As always, you may also read your books electronically on your kindle, tablet or other devices. There is a variety of ways to read electronically for free. Check your local library, Google, eBookstore, Project Gutenberg or Open library for this option.

If you order your books through Amazon, please remember to visit smile.amazon.com and select “United Methodist Women” as your charitable organization. Amazon donates 0.5% to the United Methodist Women with this option.

READING PROGRAM Report Form

I have completed the requirements for Plan _____ of the Reading Program for 2020. The books I’ve read are listed below. (Please print)

Name: _____ Unit: _____

Address: _____

MISSION EMPHASIS:

Education for Mission:

Leadership Development:

Nurturing for Community:

Social Action:

Spiritual Growth:

Additional books I have read to complete PLAN _____ of the Reading Program are:

_____ I have also read *response* and *New World Outlook* regularly.

READING PROGRAM PLANS:

PLAN I: 5 books each year, 1 from each category. Selections from the current reading lists if not included in previous reports. Regular reading of *response* magazine.

PLAN II: 10 books each year, 2 from each category. Selections from the current reading lists if not included in previous reports. Regular reading of *response* and *New World Outlook* magazines.

PLAN III: 15 books each year, 2 books from each category PLUS 5 additional books from any category. Selections from the current reading lists if not included in previous reports. Regular reading of *response* and *New World Outlook* magazines.

PLAN IV: 20 books each year, 2 books from each category PLUS 10 additional books from any category. Selections from the current reading lists if not included in previous reports. Regular reading of *response* and *New World Outlook* magazines.

FROM OUR VICE PRESIDENT.....

Hello fellow Sisters in Christ.

It is that time of year again as we look to our Spring newsletter. I was reflecting on the theme for this year: "Let your light shine: Ignited for Justice." It reminds me of the scripture in John 1:5 (NIV). The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

When I was growing up, we lived in a house that was 1½ stories. My younger sister and I had the 2 bedrooms upstairs. It was great except we had to leave our doors open so our parents could hear us if anything was wrong. I was a voracious reader as a child. I would stay up reading by my nightlight or a flashlight under the covers. Somehow my mom always saw the light or just knew I was up. I lost count of how many times she yelled up the stairs to shut off the light and go to bed.

We are called to be different as Christians. We need to let our light shine so that others can see the hope we have. We need to stand up and not be silent when we see injustices happen around us. We ARE the hands and feet of God here on Earth. The world around is yelling to put your light out and go to sleep. Then we will become numb to the injustices we see in the world. WE

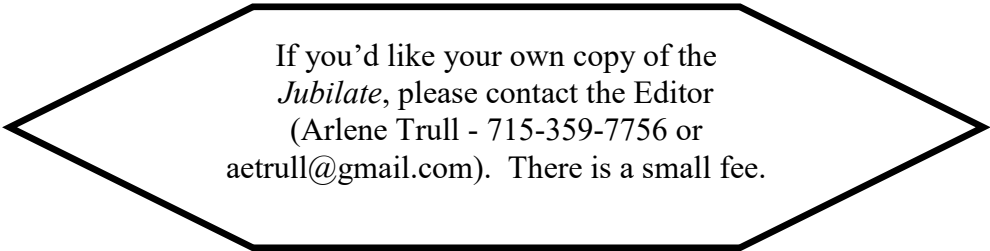
can make a difference if we leave God at the center of all our decisions. If we all take a little light and can light up a room.

Please join us this year as we go forward as women of faith to stand up for justice for women and children throughout the world. Get involved, use your voice, get LOUD! Take the light you have been given and be just like the children's song: "This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine."

I hope to see you at some of our events throughout the year: Mission Action Day, Mission U, Spring Retreat, District Annual Gathering, and of course our Annual Gathering with others in the state.

Enjoy the rebirth of spring knowing that God loves you and wants you to shine!

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If you'd like your own copy of the *Jubilate*, please contact the Editor (Arlene Trull - 715-359-7756 or aetrull@gmail.com). There is a small fee.

GET READY, GET SET, GO!

NOW IS THE TIME!

Membership Census for 2019

January 1, 2020 - March 30, 2020

The Membership Census is being conducted online again this year. All local presidents need to complete the census questionnaire before March 30, 2020. If you do not have access to a computer or the internet, please do one of the following:

Ask a computer savvy member to assist you.

Ask your church secretary to help you complete the census.

Contact me or the District President for any assistance.

The Census Link can be found on the United Methodist Women's website at this link:

www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/census2019 Included is an instructional video on how to complete the 2019 census.



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2020 Sister Units:

Our District Team Members have the pleasure of being the "Contact Sisters" for the following UMW Units. The District Team welcomes questions and/or invitations to assist the unit. The contact information is found in their individual articles in this newsletter.

Carol Anderson - Berlin, Markesan

Rose

Joan Burk-Miller - Mercer, Minocqua,
Rhineland

Angy Gouker - Norwalk, Trempealeau,
Wautoma

Ruby Dow - Amherst, Winding River (New
Lisbon)

Carol Hornby - Alma Center, Tomah

Evelyn Schneider - Wausau First, Wisconsin
Rapids

Nancy Flath - Mauston, Plainfield, Wausau
Wesley

Arlene Trull - Rockland, South Burr Oak,
Tomahawk

Suzanne Goldsmith - Merrilan, Sparta

Cindy Tyjeski - Antigo, Mattoon

Lynette Gates - Black River Falls, Cataract

Margaret Getzin - Almond, Port Edwards, Wild

FROM OUR NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE— - -

As each new year begins, many of us examine our lives and ponder how we can do better. How we can exercise more, eat better, get more sleep, read and study the Bible more, be a good neighbor, grow our faith and spend more time in prayer. The list of “improvements” or goals can be endless and sometimes overwhelming.

Any list or vow is futile unless we seek God’s help in achieving these “great” goals. Not only does God call us to work on improving ourselves, but he also calls us to serve others. 1 Peter 4:10 says: “Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms.” When asked to serve in some faith capacity, we often think to ourselves that we have nothing to offer, but God assures us that we do. He has

given each of us talents to enable us to serve Him. We all have something to offer.

In the coming months, the Nomination Committee members will be seeking women to fulfill the various openings on the District Team. Study God’s words and ask yourself, “Where am I needed or what is my God-given talent?”, pray about this and say yes when a committee member asks you to serve in God’s name.

Prayerfully,
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PUT THESE DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR NOW!

North Central District Calendar

Team Meetings: May 2 at Pine Lake following the Retreat

July 18 at Port Edwards UMC

Spiritual Growth Retreat: May 2 at Pine Lake Camp

Annual Gathering: September 19 at Port Edwards UMC



Wisconsin Conference Calendar

Mission Action Day: April 4 at St Paul’s UMC, Green Bay

Urban Campout & Mission Work Day (for girls): June 12-13 meeting at

Good Shepherd UMC, Oconomowoc, working at Solomon Community Temple UMC & Northcott Neighborhood House, Milwaukee

Mission u: June 12-13 at Good Shepherd UMC, Oconomowoc

July 20-21 at Mead Hotel, Wisconsin Rapids

August 14-15 at Lake Street UMC, Eau Claire

Annual Gathering: October 16-17 at Baraboo First UMC

Mission Action



**Saturday
April 4, 2020**

St Paul's United Methodist
Church
341 Wilson Ave, Green
Bay, WI 54303

**Theme: Racial inequality and School to Prison
Pipeline.**

In-gathering Collection: Non-Perishable items

Registration: 9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. • Sending forth: 2:30
p.m. *Registration is transferrable, not refundable.*

2020 MISSION ACTION DAY REGISTRATION FORM

Deadline for Registration: Friday, March 8, 2020- \$15 registration fee

Late registration-\$18- March 9-16, after March 16- fee remains \$18, lunch on your own.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State/ZIP Code _____

District _____ Church _____

Phone _____ Email _____

☐ Child Care needed for _____ child(ren), Age(s) _____ (I also understand that I am responsible for providing a sack lunch for each child or paying the registration fee of \$15.00 for each child in order to cover their lunch.)

Dietary or other considerations _____

Send form and **registration fee** to:

Janet Brockman, W6943 North Road, Mauston, WI 53948 • 608-847-7558 • brockman7558@frontier.com

Make checks payable to: Wisconsin Conference UMW

FROM OUR SOCIAL ACTION & MISSION EDUCATION

MISSION COORDINATOR— --

My name is Cindy Tyjeski. I am from the United Methodist Church of Wisconsin Rapids. Besides accepting the position of our District's Social Action & Mission Education Coordinator, I am also local President of our unit and a member of the Nominating Committee for Mission u. Other church activities I am involved in are: Hand Bell Choir, Vocal Choir, Administrative Board and I am a Lay Servant.

The two social action goals for our North Central District for 2020 are: School to Prison pipeline and Living Wage for All. More information to come!

Mission u has been reformatted. Instead of having one 4-Day and an Overview Day at one location in Wisconsin, Mission u will be in three different locations. The first will be held at the Good Shepherd UMC in Oconomowoc on Friday Evening, June 12, and Saturday, June 13. The second Mission u will be held in Wisconsin Rapids Hotel Mead on Monday, July 20, and Tuesday, July 21. The third Mission u will be held at Lake St UMC in Eau Claire on Friday, August 14, and Saturday, August 15. Each event has a separate registration sheet.

The studies for this year's Mission u are Finding Peace in an Anxious World, Mass Incarceration School-to-Prison Pipeline, and a repeat study - Women United for Change: 150 Years In Mission. All three

studies are available ONLY at the Wisconsin Rapids Mission u. You are only able to take one class at each location, but you are welcome to attend as many of the Mission u events as you'd like, but each has its own registration.

The June and August Mission u overnight accommodations are on your own. The July Mission u overnight accommodations are on the registration sheet and will be at the Hotel Mead.

The June Mission u will have a Youth program with a separate registration sheet with Megan Zuba as the leader. Each location has different deadlines, so please plan accordingly.

Mission u is a great opportunity to learn, grow, and be among other faithful women. Plan now to attend! Here is the direct link to the information and [registration forms](http://www.wisconsinumw.org/Missionu) which are found on the Wisconsin Conference UMW website:
<http://www.wisconsinumw.org/Missionu>

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Mission u Studies - - - -

Finding Peace in an Anxious World

Mass Incarceration School-to-Prison Pipeline

Women United for Change: 150 Years In Mission

Wisconsin Mission u 2020



2020 MISSION U STUDIES

Adult Spiritual Growth Study:

Finding Peace in an Anxious World

This study, by Erin Brown and the Urban Village Church Staff, uses the *Serenity Prayer* as a guide to help Christians find their way through anxiety, worry and fear towards God's peace that passes all understanding.

Social Issue Study:

Pushout: Mass Incarceration School-to-Prison Pipeline

Using the book *Pushout: The Criminalization of Black Girls in Schools*, by Dr. Monique Morris, this study invites us to explore the school-to-prison pipeline, school-to-confinement pathways and school pushout through the words and stories of dozens of young people from across the country, historical information And careful reflection.

Repeat Study: (Mead only)

**Women United for Change:
150 Years in Mission**
by Ellen Blue

DATES AND LOCATIONS

June 12-13, 2020

- Good Shepherd UMC
Oconomowoc, WI

July 20-21, 2020

- Hotel Mead & Conference Ctr.
Wisconsin Rapids, WI

August 14-15, 2020

- Lake Street UMC
Eau Claire, WI

The June and August events will begin on Friday evening and will continue all day Saturday. You will have the opportunity to choose one 6-hour class on Saturday. Lunch will be provided at the church on Saturday. If you are coming from a distance, you will need to make your own hotel arrangements for Friday night.

The event at the Hotel Mead in July will begin on Monday morning and will end Tuesday afternoon. This event will include an overnight stay at the Hotel Mead, five meals at the hotel, two Plenaries, Worship and Communion. We will also have an evening program on Monday.

UMW TIDBITS — — — — —

YES! \$378 was made for our 2019 District's Mission Pledge from the Silent Auction held at our District UMW Annual Gathering last September. Wonderful! And fun!!! Thanks to each member or Unit who brought an item for the Auction. Thanks, also, for those members who purchased items.

Listen to Harriet Jane Olson, the United Methodist Women General Secretary, as she encourages members to remain connected to one another on the *United Methodist Women February E-News* video. "This Time of Change" is confusing as the United Methodist Church prepares for a historic General Conference this May. Let's be centered on the work we are called to do.

this May.

Please contact one of the members of the Nominations Committee listed below if you are willing to serve or if you want to suggest a member for the Committee to contact.

Carol Anderson - 715-284-2456, cmaeander@yahoo.com

Nancy Bugni - 715-623-7169, nbugni@charter.net

Nancy Flath - 715-446-3252, njudyflath@gmail.com

Carol Hornby - 715-284-9655, chornby@centurytel.net

Keep checking the WI UMW Conference website for the latest information:

<http://www.wisconsinumw.org>

Registrations for Mission u are available on this site.

Remember — If your church doesn't have a United Methodist Women Unit, you can still be a member of United Methodist Women - - - - - BECOME A DISTRICT MEMBER. Contact our President, Evelyn Schneider (2415 Oakwood Blvd.; Wausau, WI 54403 - Phone: 715-842-0296 - schneider.evelyn99@yahoo.com) for more information.

Let's all help "Fill the Gap" throughout 2020
and pay our pledge 100% in 2020!

Take the opportunity to give at the Spring Retreat - or send your contribution to our District Treasurer during the year. Her address is Joan Burk-Miller; 606 E Cassidy Dr.; Wausau, WI 54401

MABEL HEIL SCHOLARSHIP

The Mabel Heil Scholarships are a result of funds from the will of Sarah Mabel Heil, a woman from Cuba City, Wisconsin. The first scholarships were granted in 1981. Since then more than 240 women have received help with their education.

Requirements and Instructions

Instructions:

1. Be a female member of Wisconsin Conference United Methodist Women.
2. Submit a written answer to the question, "In what way do I consider myself a worthy student?"
3. Send the completed application form to the contact person by May 1 for the Fall semester or October 1 for the Spring semester.
4. Request that a letter of recommendation be sent to the contact person by the president of the local United Methodist Women or the pastor of the church.
5. Request that a letter of recommendation be sent to the contact person by a church member who is not a member of your household and is not a relative.

Rules:

Any member of Wisconsin Conference United Methodist Women working to improve her education may apply.

Please have all letters written (preferably typed) on one side of 8 1/2 by 11 sheet of white paper using black ink.

All applications are photocopied for the committee members.

Scholarships are awarded one semester at a time. To be considered again DURING a one-year period, you must send a letter asking to be considered. AFTER one year, you will need to fill out another form and secure new recommendations.

If in any given year there is an increase of applications, these priorities will be followed: Women responsible for others will be favored. Women preparing to return to the employment field will be favored.

Application and two (2) letters of recommendation must be postmarked no later than May 1 and October 1 to be considered.

Schedule:

1st Semester: Apply by May 1; notified by June 1; check sent by August 15.

2nd Semester: Apply by October 1; notified by November 1; check sent by December 1.

Contact Person:

Helen Robinson
N2101 Cleghorn Road
Waupaca, WI 54981
715-258-0973
email: pottshe@yahoo.com

For an application, print a copy of the form from the Wisconsin United Methodist Women's website.

Save the Date!

Wisconsin Conference Annual Gathering

October 16-17, 2020, at First United Methodist Church - Baraboo, WI

Theme: Walking in the Light: United for Justice

Registration forms will be available in July.

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