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St Marks UMW Update- May 2019

“St Mark’s United Methodist Women” monthly gatherings take place September through May. They are held the second Tuesday each month.

Morning meetings: 9-11 am. Evening meetings: 7-9 pm. Childcare is provided! To register for childcare, please click on the link below:

<https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/10c094ba9a722a13-childcare>

All are invited to join us for fun and fellowship!

have hearts of wisdom and make decisions with our money and our service that can change lives and bring ALL persons closer to a relationship with our Lord and savior. In His Name,
Holly Moore
UMW President
Holly.e.moore693@gmail.com

“If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.”
– James 1:5 (NIV)

The President’s Corner

Sisters in Mission,
When I turned 40, I realized that although I’ve read many books in my life, been in many Sunday mornings of Sunday school as a child, and taught Sunday school with my children as an adult at St Marks, I had not read the Bible cover to cover. I ended up in Disciples Bible Study for several years and it literally changed my life. In that process the very first year, I came across:

“Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.” Psalm 20:12 NIV

This verse really stuck with me. I took very seriously the decisions in my professional life and how they affected people’s lives. I thought that I had to separate my heart from my head to be a good decision maker. This verse helped me understand that I was wrong. Now, I pray all day for a heart of wisdom especially when I make decisions that are going to significantly affect a family. I pray the same for you and your families. I pray that we, as united Methodist women,

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Rides to meetings/carpools

We have members who have signed up in our survey to provide rides, and we would be happy to coordinate this with those who need rides.

Please let me know if you need a ride to the day meetings contact Sarah Lasbury 219-718-5957 sblasbury@comcast.net. For evening meetings, Sonjia Clodfelder 765-744-6035, clod1725js@aol.com

2019 Pledges for UMW

Through the UMW channels of mission giving, we can help to provide hope and security to marginalized people both locally and beyond. In this season of giving, UMW members can thank God through our service, prayers, pledges and offerings. Your 2019 Pledge will help support the numerous mission programs of St. Mark's UMW.

Cash donations or checks are welcome. Checks should be made payable to St Mark's UMW. For questions, please contact Karen Demler, UMW Treasurer @ 317-407-2339 or karend21856@gmail.com

We are thankful for the enthusiastic, involved members of St. Mark's United Methodist Women.



UMW Reading Program “Your Windows to the World” St Marks Church Library

Every year the United Methodist Women's National Office recommends a diverse range of books with the intention of broadening exposure to a variety of concepts. This program organizes books into five categories. Our UMW Reading Program group selects a book from each of the categories and meets five times a year for fellowship and book discussion.

The five categories are:
Education for Mission
Leadership Development
Nurturing for Community
Social Action
Spiritual Growth

The next UMW reading program meeting is Monday August 26, at 7 PM in the church library. The last date for 2019 is October 28.

You are welcome to attend and learn more about the program even you have not read a book.

Check out the National UMW Reading Program website at:
<https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/readingprogram>

Do not hesitate to contact Susan Salter at Sbf5salter@att.net or 317-848-1194 if you have any questions.

Update Articles

Please submit all articles for the “Update” to Peggy-Anne Hoy at pahat664@gmail.com

Distribution List Changes

Please submit any changes to Laura McCloughan at laura.mcclougham@gmail.com

Social Action: Racial Justice and United Methodist Women

Human rights for all people is a historic and ongoing principle of United Methodist Women. As United Methodists, we believe that:

“God is the creator of all people of all races, and we are all God’s children. Therefore, opportunities for fellowship and service, personal growth and freedom in every aspect of life are inherent rights of everyone.”

For over 150 years, women of the United Methodist tradition have worked to build a racially just society. From founding one of the first colleges for African-American women in 1873 to marching on Washington for civil rights legislation in 1963, United Methodist Women have led the way. Today, UMW continues to lead the fight on one of the most pressing racial issues of our time; mass criminalization of people of color. To learn more about the racial justice history of United Methodist women, Click the following link:

<https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/rjtimeline>

Submitted by Kate King

May Mission Focus: Hope Center

We are collecting toiletry items for Hope Center. The center focus on helping women who are exiting the sex trafficking by providing a by providing a Christ-centered approach to healing, self-sufficiency, and reintegration into the community.

If you have questions, please contact Linda Schenk at lschenk@att.net or 812-454-0661.

NEEDS FOR THE MUSTARD SEED

The Mustard Seed of Central Indiana is located in Fishers. It is an organization that helps the homeless (especially veterans) by

providing furniture and basic items once they are in homes. See the Mustard Seed website for a complete picture of the services they provide.

The Mustard Seed is in IMMEDIATE need of the following kitchen items:

**Dinner plates Salad plates Soup
bowls Drinking glasses Coffee
cups/mugs**

**Forks, knives, spoons Kitchen towels
Dish cloths Pot holders**

They also need:

Bath towels Wash cloths Hand towels
Queen sheets/spreads Full sheets/spreads
Please search your cabinets and closets for items you no longer need or use. You have no idea how much they will be appreciated!!!

You may bring your items to the fellowship hall at the church, or UMW member Janice Presley will pick them up at your home. Please call her at [217-621-8839](tel:217-621-8839) to arrange a pick-up time. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

UMW Interest Groups

“Purse Full of Blessings”.
MOTHER, DAUGHTER, FRIEND
BANQUET Tuesday, May 14, 6:30 PM



All women of the church - all ages - are invited. Bring your Mom, your aunt, your sister, your friend, and your favorite purse, but don't miss out on this fun evening of fellowship and party favors. Sit back and enjoy being served dinner by the United Methodist Men. Catering by Sahm's. Consider bringing a toiletry item for donation to the Hope Center.

Tickets are \$12 for Adults, \$10 for children 6- 12, Under 6 are free. Tickets are needed for all ages so we have a correct count for the food. Tickets are available at the Connection tables behind the sanctuary on Sunday AMs or in the Office.

The annual Mother, Daughter, Friend Banquet is our largest gathering of the year and volunteers are always welcome.

Look for the SignUp Genius on email. Contact Steff Mabe at [317-374-2529](tel:317-374-2529) for additional information and to volunteer.

After May, the UMW monthly meetings both morning and evening small groups are on summer hiatus and will start back up in September, with the exception of:

BOOKMARKERS evening group
Come join us for a lively book discussion, fellowship and support. Please come, even if you haven't read the book.

May – *Last Bus to Wisdom* by Ivan Doig (3rd Tuesday)

Summer – *The Lilac Girls* by Martha Hall Kelly (Date TBA)

Contact Deb Skinner,
dskins25@hotmail.com or call
317-574-1997 with any questions.



United Methodist Women would like to wish a very happy birthday to all those who are celebrating this month:

Nancy Eikenberry, Sharie Morgan 6/1
Michelle Byrd, Amy Walz 6/4
Sarah Habegger 6/6
Andrea Muller 6/7
Carol Hollinger 6/12
Leslie Gardner 6/13
Carole Anderson 6/14
Jan Bretz 6/17
Linda Mitchell-Powell 6/19
Connie Mehl 6/20
Meridith Anderson, Mary
Killingsworth 6/22
Jean Graham 6/24
Sonjia Clodfelder 6/25
Raylene Rolinski 6/27
Debbie Haslam 6/28

Please let us know if we left anyone out.

A SPECIAL BIRTHDAY

Pastor Brian will celebrate his 60th Birthday this year and it just happens to fall on a Sunday! Please join us in the Narthex on Sunday May 12th to recognize this special day for strawberry shortcake. Brian would also be honored by contributions to the scholarship in his name at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary. Donations can be made via the website or in the church office to: Brian White Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary Scholarship Fund.

ASK A FRIEND

You have one more opportunity to ask a friend to come to a UMW meeting this year. We hope the monthly reminders have helped you think about inviting a friend to join our UMW fellowship. The Mother-Daughter-Friend Banquet would be the perfect opportunity. Spread the love.

With faith, hope & love,
Membership, Nurture and Outreach
Chairs
Sarah Lasbury, Linda Mitchell-Powell
and Sonjia Clodfelder
St. Mark's United Methodist Women

UPCOMING EVENTS

Trinkets and Treasures

Friday 5/24 and Saturday 5/25



I have been asked to explain what Trinkets and Treasures is. We realized not all ladies are aware of this mission.

Trinkets and Treasures is UMW's largest fundraiser. It is a giant rummage sale held Friday May 24th 8am to 4 pm and Saturday May 25 8 am to noon.

Belongings can be brought to the church starting the Sunday May 19th. It is a monumental undertaking to sort, price and display all these treasures which is done Monday through Thursday. If you have an hour or two to spare, all help is welcome. A perk of working is that if you see something that you *must* have, you can purchase it before the sale to the public starts on the Friday.

We do not accept clothing.

but

Your used clothing can be bagged up for

“Collect and Connect”

which is held on **Saturday May 25th**

8 am -12 noon . For every bag of clothing that we collect for Goodwill, we

get a \$5 voucher which we give to donate to missions such as IHN. Trisha Stanearth has offered her garage to store your treasures if you do not have room.

Spring Retreat



2019 St. Mark's UMW Retreat
Saturday, June 1st 10:00am to 5:00pm
Teter Lodge at Teter Organic Farm
10980 E. 221st Street, Noblesville

Want to get your hands dirty? Join with other women of St. Mark's in our faith journeys as we help at the farm, enjoy the beauty of Mother Nature and plant “seeds of hope” in our souls. Mark your calendar and set aside time for You!

Reminder- The Spring Mission Messenger which is the Indiana UMW newsletter is available via link on the St Mark's UMW website.

2019 St Mark's UMW Board

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Prayer Calendar

This year, we celebrate United Methodist Women and the General Board of Global Ministries as we consider how the legacy of mission compels us forward. Amidst the harsh demands of the world, mission offers a vision of a full and abundant life for all individuals and communities in partnership with the God of Shalom. Shalom, a Hebrew word, is often translated as "peace," but also implies harmony and wholeness. Missionaries proclaim good tidings through their words, deeds and sometimes their resistant silence. Often working against challenging forces in their community, culture and even church,

missionaries continue to seek shalom and to pursue fullness of life – for the transformation of the world. In this new year, let us all respond to God’s call to work for shalom in our own contexts.

MISSION FOCUS	BIRTHDAYS
<p>May 12 Mary Elizabeth Inn, San Francisco, Calif.</p>	<p>MAY 12 Quest J. Hunter (CCW), Ashley Jester (S), Leslie Nedderman (S), Cynthia Rogriguez (S)</p>
<p>MAY 13 Lithuania. Lithuania District of The United Methodist Church. Salary the Women’s Coordinator of aUnited Methodist Church – enabling the ministries of women in the LithuaniaUMC to grow and thrive and the new United Methodist organization to develop.</p>	<p>MAY 13 Kathleen Masters (S)</p>
<p>MAY 14 Columbia. MADRE International NGO. Gender-Based Violence Against Women – supporting the social rehabilitation and political participation of young women and girl survivors of sexual gender-based violence, while educating the Colombian government on preventing and responding to such violence.</p>	<p>MAY 14 Kristen Brown (M), Miracle Osman (GMF Intl)</p>
<p>MAY 15 Sri Lanka. Empowering War Widows for Shalom – supporting the economic empowerment and training of 300 war Widows.</p>	
<p>MAY 16 Europe and Eurasia Region. Ministry with Roma People in Central Southern Europe. Supporting various ministries, including spiritual growth, education, self-support and integration.</p>	<p>MAY 16 Hikari Chang (M), Angelito (Bong) Dalisay Bernice Keech (M)</p>
<p>MAY 17 Germany. International and</p>	<p>MAY 17 Annamarie Reed (S)</p>

<p>igrantMinistries: Europe. Providing leadership development and outreach materials and programs for a growing migrant population.</p>	
<p>MAY 18 McCurdy Ministries Community Center, Espanola, N.M.</p>	<p>MAY 18 Nora Marker (DHMR)</p>

Field of Work Categories: CCW = Church and Community Workers, DHMR = Order of Deaconess and Home Missioner, GH = Global Health, GMF Intl = Global Mission Fellows International, GMF US-2 = Global Mission Fellows US-2, HM = Home Missionaries, M = Missionaries, REPM = Racial Ethnic Plan Missionaries, RM = Regional Missionaries, S = Staff.