



United Women in Faith

(Formerly United Methodist Women)

St Marks UWF Update- September 2022

“St Mark’s United Women in Faith ”
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!

information can be found at
SOULCare@uwfaith.org

More information can be found on the website – www.uwfaith.org.

September 13 is our Kick-off meeting. Kathie Clemenz, IN Conference UWF President, will be our speaker. She will provide information so we can smoothly transition into United Women in Faith.

We are also collecting pencils, crayons, glue sticks, school scissors, rulers, erasers, lined writing paper, pencil grips and Elmer’s Glue.

Please consider bringing new potholders for St. Mark’s kitchen. We desperately need more and new potholders.

2 Corinthians 5:17 says: “Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: the old has gone, the new is here!”

United Women in Faith are ready! Stay tuned for new adventures!

Steff

UMW President

steffmabe@yahoo.com

The President’s Corner

Here we are again! Hope you had a great summer. This time something is different – we’ve changed our name. UWF – United Women in Faith.

Let’s take a look at the new opportunities offered along with a new name:

- UWF Digital Member – access the program resources and Mission u curricula. Membership is free.
- 2022 – 23 Programs and Community Gatherings – monthly Bible studies, reflections, program activities. Cost is \$14.99.
- Soul Care – Retreats that encourage your own personal Soul Care journey. Additional

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.mccloughan@gmail.com

PLEDGES for 2022

Mary Etta Yoho has accepted the position of Treasurer for St. Mark’s UWF. Special appreciation to Sarah Lasbury for serving as treasurer for the last three years. Pledge monies may continue to be brought to the meetings, mailed to the church office, or to Mary Etta at 3305 Heathcliff Ct., Westfield, 46074.

Checks should still be made payable to United Methodist Women.



UWF Reading Program “Your Windows to the World” St Mark's Church Library

Every year the United Women in Faith’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:
Education for Mission
Leadership Development
Nurturing for Community
Social Action
Spiritual Growth

The next meeting will be Monday October 24th. The category will be Spiritual Growth. For more information or to be added to the reading email list email Kathy Lentz at KathyLentz@gmail.com

Congratulations to the following who were recognized at the spring meeting:

Plan 1

Lydia Fourman
Fran Hageboeck
Kathy Lentz
Barbara Schmenner
Emily Stahl
Jane VanDyne

Plan II

Mary Etta Yoho

Keep an eye out for 3 newly donated books on the Reading Program cart.

Social Action and UWF Social Action/ Mission Education & Interpretation

**UWFaith.org—We BELIEVE love in
ACTION can CHANGE the world**

**We connect spiritual women to act boldly
for justice and transform communities.
We have so many opportunities to ACT in
UWF. In this time of uncertainty about
the world around us- start learning. Here
is a place to start on uwfaith.org:**

1. Just Energy 4 All- webinar on the third Wednesday of the month at 3pm.

2. Faith Talks- monthly conversations. “School Safety for All”

Join the mailing lists for these programs to sign up and listen “live” or at your convenience

3. Voices from the Field- UWF members serving around the world

4. GBCS Church and Society link. Information concerning voting rights

5. Moms Demand Action- national community organization that emphasizes “sensible” gun laws

If you have questions, please contact me for information. This is just a short list! VOTE IN NOVEMBER!

ALSO, we are planning a tour of INUMCH (Indiana UMC Childrens Home) in Lebanon in late September or October. Please join us for a 1 ½ hour tour to see one of our continuous mission opportunities. Sign up at the September meeting or contact Donna Schwartz at dehschwartz@gmail.com or 574.780.2039

Care and Share distributed 64 baskets to individuals who needed a little encouragement last year. This group is going to be renamed **Ribbons of Hope** and will be held off site. You can still keep donating items for this initiative in the UWF Red Tote at the main entrance of the church. Any questions, please contact Sonjia Clodfelder clod1725js@aol.com or Jodi Horst-Miller jodi@millerhorst.com.

UWF Gathering

All Women are invited to the UWF Fall Kick-Off on Tues, September 13th, 2022

Our guest speaker will be UWF Conference President Kathie Clemenz who will share more about our transition from UMW to UWF

**9-11 AM - Brunch
7-9 PM - Appetizers & Salad
(Newcomers will be our guests)**

We will be collecting school supplies- pencils, crayons, glue sticks, school scissors, rulers, erasers, lined paper, Elmer’s glue etc. There will be a large basket available in Cornerstone Commons for these donations.

Set up for the Tuesday Gathering is Monday at 1:00. Many helping hands make the duties of set up go very quickly, so if you are available, come be with us for this brief time.

Care and Share Baskets



Preview of Interest Groups

UWF INTEREST GROUPS

AM

BOOKWORMS: A book discussion group that reads both fiction and non-fiction. The books may or may not be related to Christianity, but we will often ask if the material points us toward redemption, reconciliation, and grace.

October 2022 - All Our Wrong Todays

by Elan Mastai

November 2022- My Beloved World

by Sonya Sotomayor

January 2023- The Doctors Blackwell

by Janice Nemura

Please obtain your own copy

February 2023- The Alice Network by

Kate Quinn

March 2023- The Stars are Fire by

Anita Shreve

April 2023- The Dutch House by

Ann Patchett

Facilitator: **Gail Lee** 317-650-5352.

COLOR & CHAT: Enjoy a relaxing time of adding beautiful colors to cards and bookmarks, as scriptures are studied and shared. This meaningful group provides support and encouragement to those participating. The group remains in Cornerstone Commons following the UWF Meeting.

Facilitators: **Deirdre Robinson & Cathy Brinkman**

CULTURAL INSIGHTS: Each month a different presenter will be sharing

experiences from various locations or cultures. **In October, Susan Anderson** will be taking us to Japan and sharing glimpses of the opportunities and situations she witnessed while living there. We are excited to have Susan providing these insights for us. This group will be meeting in rooms G/H.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH: This group will be studying **The Book of Joy** which is a collaboration between the Dalai Lama and Archbishop Desmond Tutu. This summary is from the book's publisher: "In April of 2015, Archbishop Tutu traveled to the Dalai Lama's home in Dharamsala, India, to celebrate His Holiness's eightieth birthday and to create what they hoped would be a gift for others. They looked back on their long lives to answer a single burning question: How do we find joy in the face of life's inevitable suffering?" Books are being collected and ordered for this study and a syllabus of the monthly chapters for discussion will be coming soon. This group will be gathering in room B/C following the UWF monthly meeting.

Facilitator: **Pastor Karla Elliott**

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BOOKMARKERS:

This group reads a variety of subjects. Haven't read the book, then come for the discussion and fellowship.

October-**The Secret Keeper** by Kate Morton . At the September meeting, decisions about books for the remainder for the year will be discussed and decided on.

Facilitator: **Debbie Skinner**
dskins25@hotmail.com or call
317-574-1997 with any questions.

United Women in Faith would like to wish a very happy birthday to all those who are celebrating this September and October



Bev Bartel	9/1
Ann Baker	9/2
Susan Salter & Eileen Willeman	9/5
Sally Hubbard & Barbara Johnson	9/6
Liz Rix	9/7
Nancy Herrington & Barbara Holcomb	9/8
Barb Wollard	9/9
Stephanie Detamore & Melissa Petro	9/11
Carol Branson, Nancy Heller &	
Georgia Herzog	9/12
Stephanie Hilton	9/13
Cyndy Kendall	9/14
Judy Martin & Becky Mills	9/15
Lori Eber	9/16
Charlene Goldman &	
Hannah Mortonson	9/17
Mary Jane Jennings	9/18
Julie Allen	9/19
Dottie Rouse	9/20
Melissa Chevalier & Ros Gilson	9/22
Karen Kincaid	9/23
Barb Hahn & Glenda Ockerman	9/26
Suzette Masden	9/27
Daniells Peosser	9/28

Cathy Brinkman, Karen Dougherty & Carol Hommel	10/1
Judi Pearlman	10/2
Kathy Dycus & Deanne Persinger	10/3
Betsy Gruver	10/4
Bonnie Wilson	10/5
Janet Brown	10/6
Jean Van Leeuwen	10/7

Kathleen Zelner	10/8
Chari Griggs	10/11
Julie Walker	10/12
Ann Fletcher	10/15

Debbie Sindors	10/18
Lisa Brown, Mindy Davis & Luci Galloway	10/19
Lynn Akerheilm	10/20
Ramie Cooney	10/21
Greta Carroll	10/22
Karen Boschee & Jennie Harrold	10/23
Marge Patterson & Pat Warrick	10/24
Sharlene Fama	10/27
Joann Dunn	10/29

Let us know if we have left anyone out.

To receive reminders about UWF activities, please send a note & your We look forward to hearing from you.

With faith, hope & love,
Membership, Nurture and Outreach:
Ann Baker and Linda Schenk

September Theme from MNO

"New Beginnings"

2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! NIV

St. Marks UWF Facebook Group

All women of St. Mark's UMC are invited to sign up for the Closed Facebook Group.

To sign up go to: UWF - St Marks Carmel

REMINDER: Childcare Available

Beginning in October 2022, childcare for children 5 and under will be available for the morning UWF monthly meetings, which are held on the second Tuesdays of the month beginning at 9 am, through April 2023. In December and May, there are only evening events. You will need to request childcare by the Thursday before the meeting by contacting Linda Schenk at 812-454-0661 (call or text) or lschenk@att.net.



Need a Ride to the Meetings?

If you would like a ride to and from either the morning or evening meeting, please contact the Membership/Nurture/Outreach chairs Ann Baker (812-480-6864 or ab39@evansville.edu) or Linda Schenk (812-454-0661 or lschenk@att.net). We'd love to have you join us.

St. Mark's Spring Celebration



Fellowship, delightful stations of delicious foods prepared amazing desserts and chocolate fountains, fun activities for the children, beautiful music from Kassie Shaffer and Jill Hackett, a lovely painting by artist Robin Spyker, plus shared thoughts from author Deanne Persinger all made the May 10th Spring Celebration a memorable evening. Attendance for this special event was over 120. Cell phone pictures from the photo frame captured this celebration for all of us. What a joy to see the powerpoint visually project priceless

pictures of our individual memories and Celebrations with Colors of Love. Many loving hands made this a beautiful evening filled with laughs, smiles, full tummies, and incredible memories. We were blessed in 2022 to be able to enjoy the planning and preparations for this wonderful event.



donated, sorted, priced and shopped - you all helped make it a success. We raised \$4,124.35.

Arts and Crafts Marketplace



The St. Mark's UWF (formerly known as UMW) invites you to its 2022 Arts and Crafts

Marketplace on Saturday, November 5, 2022 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. All crafts and art work will be home-made either by area artisans or by members of St. Marks UWF. Refreshments will be available at the Candy Cane Café as well as the bake sale table.

Vendors who wish to rent a table for the Arts and Crafts Marketplace may contact Steff Mabe at 317-374-2529 or at email: steffmabe@yahoo.com to receive a registration form. Vendors may rent either one or two tables. Each table is \$35.00.



Trinkets and Treasures

A Huge shout out to all who volunteered with Trinkets and Treasures Garage Sale. Whether you

Attention St. Mark's Crafters- Please begin now to prepare your crafts for the Arts and Crafts Marketplace. Popular items in the past have included matching knit scarves and hats, aprons, ornaments, American Girl doll clothes and jewelry.

CELEBRATE WITH THE INDIANA UNITED METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME

Recently we were notified that St. Mark's is one of the top three supporters of the IUMCH in the state. They would like to honor those organizations that have made such a difference in the lives of these children.

This will happen at the 2022 Breakfast with Champions/Indiana Children's Champion Awards Event. The event will be held Saturday, October 15, 2022 9:30-11:15 at the Children's Home campus in Lebanon.

There will be inspiring stories of hope from the youth, honoring of the organizations and a presentation of how the Home is currently meeting the needs of the youth and what the plans for future growth are. There will also be Campus tours following the breakfast.

They have reserved a table of 8 for St. Mark's and are really hoping that we will be able to attend. If you are interested in attending please notify Kathi Hall, email: khall7401@sbcglobal.net no later than Sunday, September 18.

Details: Breakfast Saturday, October 15
9:30-11:15 a.m.

Indiana United Methodist Children's Home
515 W. Camp Street, Lebanon, IN 46052
James E. Davis School Gymnasium. **There is no charge for the breakfast but a free will offering will be accepted.**

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

<http://www.stmarkscarmel.org/uwf>



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Coming this Fall!!!!

More details to follow



HELP NEEDED

In an attempt to be more environmentally friendly, we will be using glassware and china for our meetings. That means we will need volunteers to help run a couple of loads through the dishwasher after each meeting. Please let us know if you can help. We will be glad to show people

how to use the industrial dishwasher.
Cleanup should take less than 30 minutes.



Faith Talks are monthly conversations with United Women in Faith hosted by Jennifer R Farmer, Spotlight PR. Each conversation explores themes and resources that empower us to put faith, hope and love into action.

To access Faith Talks podcasts, go to <https://uwfaith.org/resources/podcasts> and look for Faith Talks in the blue box.

Leadership Development and Training
Saturday Nov 5th- - virtual

North Central District Meeting-
Saturday Sept 17th 1- 3 pm at
Noblesville First UMC, Noblesville IN.
Registration starts at 12:30. Rita
Gaither-Grant from the Conference
Offices will be speaking about the
Legacy Fund

R.S.V.P. by September 14, 2022 to: Anita
Beck—317-773-1430 OR
anitajbeck@comcast.net

Please be sure to indicate if you need
Childcare when you R.S.V.P.

UWF Annual Conference

NEW BEGINNINGS!

This annual conference will be held on
Friday- Saturday Oct 7- 8 at St Luke's UMC
100 W 86th St, Indianapolis, IN 46260.
Details are on the flyer at the end of this
newsletter.

Silent Retreat- Fri October 21 8 pm to Sun
Oct 23 1 pm at St Joseph's Retreat Center
(Tipton).



JULIETS (Just Us Ladies into Eating Out) Contact Barbara Johnson, (317) 863-2689, timberblj@gmail.com, or text 303-918-6308 by 9/11 so correct reservations can be made. September's lunch will be held on September 15th, at 11:30 AM at Sahms, 11505 Allisonville Rd. Fishers, IN 46038.

2022 Calendar - St. Mark's United Women in Faith

Tuesday Sept 6th- UWF Board meeting 7 pm
Tuesday Sept 13 th - UWF Kickoff 9-11 am & 7-9 pm

Tues Oct 4th - UWF Board meeting 7 pm
Tues Oct 11th- UWF meeting 9-11 am & 7-9 pm

Saturday Nov 5th -Arts and Crafts Marketplace 9 am - 3 pm
Tues Nov 8th - UWF Board meeting 7 pm
Tues Nov 15th- UWF meeting 9-11 am & 7-9 pm

Tues Dec 6th - UWF Board meeting 7 pm
Tues Dec 13th- UWF Christmas Celebration (Joint meeting) 7- 9 pm

2022/23 St Mark's UWF Board

President	Steff Mabe
Vice President of Interest Groups & Programming	Sonjia Clodfelder
Fundraising Coordinator	open
Recording Secretary	Trisha Staneart
Corresponding Secretary	Beth Montag
Treasurer	Mary Etta Yoho
Assistant Treasurer	Cathy Wilkinson
Mission Coordinator/Spiritual Growth (AM)	Lydia Fourman
Mission Coordinator/Spiritual Growth (PM)	Michelle White
Mission Coordinator/Education & Interpretation	Donna Schwartz
Mission Coordinator/Membership Nurture & Outreach	Linda Schenk/ Ann Baker
Mission Coordinator/Social Action	Donna Schwartz
Secretary of Program Resources/Nat'l Reading Program	Kathy Lentz
Communication Chair	Becky Mills
Nominations Committee Chair	open
Historian/Photographer	Kathy Lentz / Barbie Schmenner
Newsletter Editor	Peggy-Anne Hoy
Hospitality Coordinator AM	Lucy Sheehan/ Louise Snyder
Hospitality Coordinator PM	shared rotation -open
Pianist AM	Pam Whitehead
Pianist PM	Pat Parks
Songleader, AM	Lydia Fourman
Webmail Manager	Laura McCloughan
Members at Large	Kathi Hall Miriam Taylor

Daily Prayer Guide 2022

Experiencing God – Finding Joy

“I’ve got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart” – the lyric came out of a Methodist summer youth camp in Delaware around 1925 and has been adapted over the last century for use by Sunday schools, revival meetings, pop singers, rock bands, a soft drink commercial and multiple television shows.

What makes “joy” so appealing? The reality and experience of joy, like the song “Joy in My Heart,” has religious tone and tempo. The word “joy” is one of the most common in the Bible, both Old and New Testaments. In Hebrew and Greek terms, it names an internal gladness too wonderful to have any source but God. Joy is steady, jubilant thankfulness. With shouts of joy the Israelites welcomed abundant harvest, water for parched land and the restoration of the holy city Jerusalem (Psalm 126/125).

The birth of Jesus is the joy to the world in the Gospel of Luke. Joy is the second fruit of the spirit, preceded only by love, in Paul’s Letter to the Galatians, and the missionary apostle tells the Romans, “The kingdom of God is not food and drink but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit” (Romans 14:17).

For the Christian, the gift of God’s grace brings joy, filling the hearts of those who in faith respond to God’s love. It overflows into lives of witness, service and advocacy, healing and hospitality, and the protection of creation.

The 2022 Daily Prayer Guide celebrates the joy-filled lives of missionaries, deaconesses and home missionaries, and others professionally engaged in God’s mission today. It profiles mission projects and institutions that demonstrate righteousness, peace and joy in their communities. The guide invites and challenges each of us to live lives that reflect and commend joy, even, and especially, in a world of pandemic depression, suffering, discrimination and fear. God baptizes us in joy, and in that gift we find the capacity to exemplify and share joy. Praise God for joy in 2022.

Lectionary Readings	Pray Every Day
SEP 11 Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28, Luke 15:1-10 FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF AFTER PENTECOST	SEP 11 West Side Community House, Cleveland, Ohio
SEP 12 1 Jeremiah 5:1-17, 1 Timothy 1:18-20	SEP 12 Isabella Thoburn College, India
SEP 13 1 Jeremiah 5:18-31, 2 Peter 3:8-13	SEP 13 Center for Health and Hope: The Gift of H.O.P.E.
SEP 14 Jeremiah 14:1-10, Luke 22:31-33, 54-62	SEP 14 Murphy-Harpst Children’s Centers, Cedartown, Georgia
SEP 15 Jeremiah 12:14—13:11, Romans 3:1-8	SEP 15 Encounter with Christ in Latin America & the Caribbean
SEP 16 Jeremiah 8:1-13, Romans 8:31-39	SEP 16 Hope Center of Latvia
SEP 17 Jeremiah 8:14-17; 9:2-11, Mark 12:41-44	SEP 17 Louisville Community Bail Fund, Louisville, Kentucky

Birthdays of the Week: Edouard Kabamba, Grace Musuka, Helen Ryde, Jaime Vazquez, Lareina Marcano, M. Elaine Parrent, Mary C. Gehrke, Mengfei (Maya) Su, Patrick Nawej Mwinkeu, Sylvia Selke-Dueh.



United
Women
in Faith

Join us at our 14th Annual
Celebration as we celebrate
exciting NEW BEGINNINGS! *

Friday-Saturday, October 7-8, 2022
St. Luke's United Methodist Church
100 W 86th St Indianapolis, IN 46260

**Saturday's event will be live streamed
(in case you cannot attend in person)*

<https://stlukesindy3.online.church/>

All times are EDT (Indianapolis time)

Friday Oct 7th

5:00pm Dinner
6:00pm Program, Fellowship, & Activity

Saturday Oct 8th

9:00am Check In
9:45am Music, Greetings, Announcements
10:00am Celebration, Business Meeting, Elections
12:00pm Lunch and Fellowship
1:00pm Recognitions, Speaker, Offering,
Communion and MORE

Event Highlights

- Speaker: Jessey Mason, Eskenazi Mental Health Center Narcotics Treatment Program
- Rebranding Ceremony
- FUNraiser silent auction of "themed baskets" and more!! (Proceeds will go to the Lucille Raines Residence Accessibility Campaign)
- Bring your reading program books to swap!

Nearby Hotel Information

Comfort Inn & Suites North at the Pyramids
9090 Wesleyan Rd, Indianapolis, IN 46268
Call the hotel directly at 317-662-2958 and request
a room in the United Women in Faith of Indiana
group (block #XR8705) at the \$88.40 rate

Deadline: September 5th

*Remember not the former things, nor
consider the things of old. Behold, I am
doing a new thing; ---Isaiah 43:18-19*

Registration Form: (please print legibly)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Church: _____

District: _____

Phone: (____) _____ - _____

Email: _____

Are you a conference UWF officer? _____

Are you a district UWF officer? _____

Select all that apply: Friday \$15 _____

Saturday \$15 _____

Payment Total _____

Any food restrictions? Please explain. _____

****Do you need childcare? Please indicate
how many children and their age(s):**

Friday _____ Ages _____

Saturday _____ Ages _____

Send registration and payment by Sept 24th

to registrar:

Felicia Stewart

1910 N 9th St

Terre Haute, IN 47804

feliciadstewart@me.com (317)341-2053

Make checks payable to: UMW of Indiana

Pictures and video may be captured during the event by conference representatives for news and promotional use including social media.
Registering for the event gives permission for one's image to be used. Names of children and youth will not be used with photos.

