

United Women in Faith

Blue means faith, green means sisterhood, orange stands for action and yellow is the light of Christ. We are always in the light of Christ.

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PURPOSE: The organized unit of United Women in Faith 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.

Communications: Since we do not have a South East District Communications Coordinator, I, Marie Garnhart, have served as editor of this newsletter. Since I do not have the software nor the skill to do the type of newsletter we have had in the past, you are receiving this newsletter electronically as a word document. If you need any forms printed, and you do not have printing capabilities, hopefully, someone else from your unit or possibly your church secretary can print what you need. I will be mailing paper copies to persons without email.

From the President

Dear Sisters of the Southeast District.

I can't believe how fast this year is going. I'm going to rejoice in the Lord, for God loves us in spite of all we do or don't do.

It was wonderful to see two women from Wisconsin being consecrated as deaconesses at General Conference. They are Heidi Carreaga from Lodi and Marie Severing from Janesville Cargill. Let's support them in their work.

This is the time of year we look forward to Mission u. It is on ZOOM June 18, 20, 25 & 27th at 6:30 p.m. In-person Mission u will be July 13 at Winding Rivers UMC in New Lisbon with Kady Herr Yang as our leader. I hope to see many of you there.

United Women of Faith will be going to 4 districts after July 1st. The officers of the present SE district will be reaching out to the members of the new churches in our district at an event called "Looking Up" on Saturday, JULY 27th. The location will be announced later.

We will be celebrating at our annual gathering on September 21 at the Milton UMC. Be prepared for the Lord to speak to us. Remember, Psalms 118 vs 24: "This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it."

Diane Quade. 608-752-9397 dianequade07@gmail.com

From the Vice-President

As your vice-president my main responsibility is programming. So, in addition to planning our district events I like to encourage you to take advantage of our Conference sponsored events. We did have several successful "watch parties" for the Social Action Day in April.

And the big up-coming event for the summer is Mission u. It has been reduced to a one day in-person "overview" event at Winding Rivers UMC, New Lisbon, WI and a four-evening ZOOM event. Flyer/Registration Forms are included in this newsletter, pp.3-5. I have participated in Mission u for many years and am sorry to see it reduced to one day, but I'm sure it will be a worthwhile event with good leadership and fun music. Kady Herr Yang, the leader is one of our three deaconesses. Once again Pastor Grace Cajiuaat will be leading the music.

Which brings me to our next event, the South East annual gathering, which will be in-person and is being hosted by the Milton unit on Saturday, Sept. 21. So **SAVE THE DATE!** And Pastor Grace Cajiuaat will be our key-note speaker. The flyer and registration form will be in the Fall Newsletter.

The Fall annual gathering and the Nov. meeting of our South East District team will be our last events as the present district. As of Jan. 1st we lose some units and gain some new ones due to the redistricting. This brings all sorts of complications which the district teams are working on. But I hope we'll have a great turnout for that last Annual Gathering, to celebrate our recent years together. Have a great summer!

Marie Garnhart smgarnhart@gmail.com

WISCONSIN CONFERENCE UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

Mission u Overview

Sat July 13, 2024 9:00-3:30

Winding Rivers UMC, New Lisbon WI



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Join us at Mission u to explore the Good News of our Kin-dom and God's Reign. We gather at Winding Rivers UMC for an overview of Neomi Fletcher's book *Welcome Home*.

How can we incorporate Jesus' preaching and teaching into our daily lives?
God, Christ, and the Holy Spirit are with us always -- are we sharing the Trinity's love?

Ms. Fletcher uses the image of home to explore how living in close proximity to the kin-dom helps us make a home with God.

We are invited to develop practices for building healthy, welcoming communities as a result of being anchored in the abiding love of God.
God, Christ, and the Holy Spirit are with us every day. We are teachable.

***Welcome Home* by Neomi Fletcher** Order your copy: uwfaithresources.org

Registration includes a build-your-own-sandwich lunch and individual folders for attendees.
(please provide your lunch if you have specific dietary needs)
The earlier you register, the easier it is for the WI Conference Mission u Team to prepare.
Thank you!

Suggestions for lodging (**you are responsible** for making the reservations and payment):
Nearby hotel: AmericInn in New Lisbon, 1702 East Bridge St, New Lisbon 844-684-9427
RV hookups: Winding Rivers UMC, N6774 Germantown Rd, New Lisbon
(608) 562-3811 <http://windingriversumc.com>

*Registration Scholarships are available.
Please provide your request for financial assistance on the registration form.*

Photos taken at Mission u could be used by the WI Conference UWF in materials to help promote United Women in Faith events and to share the UWF mission with others.

Please sign below to indicate that you understand how your photo may be used.

Name (print) _____ Signature & date _____

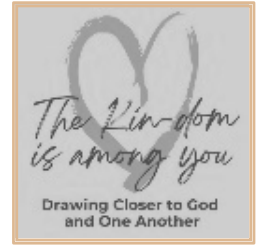


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Mission u Overview

Sat July 13, 2024 9:00-3:30

Winding Rivers UMC, N6774 Germantown Rd, New Lisbon WI



Register **before June 22** \$25
 Register **before June 27** \$30 (**deadline**) assures lunch & class packet is provided
 Register **after June 27** \$35 (**late registration**) you will need to provide you own lunch
 Online registration forms links can be found at <https://wisconsinumw.org/mission-u>

Personal Information (mark all that apply)

1st time attendee Age under 45 layperson clergy financial assistance
 Childcare – please provide age(s), names are helpful

UWF members, please complete:

Unit: _____ District: _____ Conference: _____ All-Access: Y N

All: Submit registration email susanforrester@rocketmail.com Subject line: 07/13/2024 registration

Or by mail Susan Forrester, Registrar
 6817 Elmwood Ave. Additional contact information: 608-515-3258 (call or text)
 Middleton, WI 53562

Make checks out to: Wisconsin Mission u **Registrations are transferable but not refundable**

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| Name of attendee: <input type="checkbox"/> Will provide own lunch (recommended if dietary restriction) Preferred Pronouns _____ | |
| Address, City, State, Zip | |
| Phone: | Message preference: <input type="checkbox"/> v-message <input type="checkbox"/> text <input type="checkbox"/> email |
| Email | |
| Optional Demographic Information <input type="checkbox"/> I prefer not to answer If supplying Please circle or mark: Age: <input type="checkbox"/> under 19 <input type="checkbox"/> 20-45 <input type="checkbox"/> 46-55 <input type="checkbox"/> over 55 Gender: _____ | |
| Emergency Contact: Name _____ | |
| Contact's Phone/Cell: _____ | Relationship: _____ |
| Where to find Medical information for EMTs (registration form, bracelet, wallet, emergency contact, etc): _____ | |
| (Optional) health information to share with the Mission u Team for more timely health assistance (diabetes, epilepsy, mental health concerns, asthma, etc.) | |



WISCONSIN CONFERENCE UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH
Zoom Mission u
Tuesday/Thursday evenings 6:30-9:00PM
June 18, 20 & 25, 27, 2024



Registration cost: \$20 Deadline to register is June 8. A donation may be added for the Conference Pledge to Mission in place of an offering (note in memo line).

Online registration forms links can be found at https://wisconsinmw.org/mission-u
A Zoom link will be sent to your email address one week before class begins. Each person should register individually.

Personal Information (mark all that apply)

__ 1st time attendee __ Age under 45 __ layperson __ clergy __ financial assistance

Request for CEU/Advanced Lay Servant credits

__ CEU __ Advanced Lay Servant/Lay Speaker/Lay Minister

UWF members, please complete:

Unit: _____ District: _____ Conference: _____ All-Access: Y N

I will sign in to Zoom using my __ phone __ smart phone/computer, or
__ as part of a small group, _____ will be signing in for our small group

When we have breakout groups, as a small group we would prefer to

__ join a breakout room __ be our own group

(NOTE: Joining a breakout room is best for groups of no more than three people)

All: Submit registration email susanforrester@rocketmail.com Subject line: 06/18/2024 registration

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Middleton, WI 53562

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Form with fields: Name of attendee, Preferred Pronouns, Address, City, State, Zip, Phone, Message preference, Email, Optional Demographic Information

Program Resources: Gail Burgess

Did you know that there are many ways to receive Reading Program credits? Soon it will be time to fill out the REPORT OF COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS and send them to me. The first level of completion requires that you have read 5 books, one each in Education for Mission, Leadership Development, Nurturing for Community, Social Action, Spiritual Growth. That seems pretty straightforward, BUT you could always listen to 2 Faith Talks (Spiritual Growth) or 2 Voices from the Field (Educating for Mission) to get a credit. Participating in Mission u with others is worth 2 Spiritual Growth credits! Or maybe you could find the movies HIDDEN FIGURES (Leadership Development) or HATE U GIVE (Nurturing for Community), each worth a credit!

Plus, there is still time to read and discuss the book with other readers from our South East District. **On Tuesday, July 30**, we will learn about **BRAIDING SWEETGRASS (Spiritual Growth)** from botanist Robin Kimmerer who is also a member of the Potawatomi Nation and on **Wednesday, August 28**, we will look at **BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY**, the memoir of an undocumented Chinese immigrant ((**Leadership**)). If you are not already on my list, **contact me for the ZOOM link**. Our ZOOM discussion is from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Email: hb53104@aol.com 262-945-8578

Whatever you choose, please remember to get those reports in. I will enjoy seeing which books you've read – and if you have discovered new ways to get credits!!

Report Form on p. 7

REPORT OF COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS

Send completed form to your secretary of program resources or equivalent according to your conference's schedules.)

I have completed the required reading for PLAN _____. The books I have read are listed on the reverse

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| LOCAL UNIT | PRINT NAME |
| DISTRICT | ADDRESS |
| CONFERENCE | CITY, STATE, ZIP |

| | CURRENT YEAR | | | | | | |
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| NAME: | PLAN CHOSEN: | I | II | III | IV | | |
| EDUCATION FOR MISSION | | | | | | | |
| SPIRITUAL GROWTH | | | | | | | |
| LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT | | | | | | | |
| NUTURING FOR COMMUNITY | | | | | | | |
| SOCIAL ACTION | | | | | | | |
| RESPONSE | | | | | | | |

REPORTING FORM

Wisconsin Conference UWF
2024 Mission Today Local Unit Report Form
(Reporting activities of 2023)

Presidents (or designee) of all local units, please complete the form even though you may not qualify as a Mission Today unit. To reduce paper, completed forms may be emailed instead of mailed. Please send completed report by June 31, 2024, to Education for Mission Coordinator, Cyndi Wolf at: shewolf_811@yahoo.com or 6520 42nd Avenue; Kenosha, WI 53142.

Name of Church: _____

Your Name: _____

Your Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

United Women in Faith shall be a community of women whose PURPOSE is to know God...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.

Criteria Completed: (Please mark the numbers completed according to the following descriptions)

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| FAITH | | | | |
| HOPE | | | | |
| LOVE | | | | |
| ACTION | | | | |

FAITH:

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| 1 | Plan programs that encourage spiritual growth (program book, Response magazine, etc.) |
| 2 | Create prayer partners with other church groups |
| 3 | Pray using the Prayer Calendar/Daily Prayer Guide at meetings |
| 4 | Organize the spiritual growth study from Mission u |

HOPE:

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| 1 | Take advantage of opportunities through UWF (Mission u, retreats, etc.) |
| 2 | Set aside a time to go over the year's plans using Mission Today Mission Tasks |
| 3 | Implement the Charter for Racial Justice Program |
| 4 | Present a mission study from Mission u, inviting church members |

LOVE:

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| 1 | Honor the UWF's leaders and member contribution with recognition pins |
| 2 | Encourage everyone to visit or invite visitors to/from other local UWF units |
| 3 | Publicize your events using newsletters, bulletins, social media, and phone calls |
| 4 | Plan a year end program to give thanks and celebrate your accomplishments |

ACTION:

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| 1 | Encourage all members to participate in the Pledge for Mission |
| 2 | Involve all members in fundraising (think creatively) |
| 3 | Contribute to scholarships (UWF related) and Mission u (\$25 or more) |
| 4 | Partner with a mission institution such as Northcott, Harbor House or UM Children's Services of WI |

Gift in Honor of Bishop Jung upon his retirement from the WI Conference

Bishop Hee-Soo Jung, with Rev. Im Jung, has been serving the Wisconsin Conference for 12 years. He has guided and supported us with visionary, spiritual leadership, and they have touched our lives and our ministries in countless ways. They have been a blessing to us all and to the Worldwide UMC.

Our Conference team of the United Women in Faith would like for us to honor him with a gift. In order to do that, we are inviting local units to make contributions to a fund, which will be split between the UWF Legacy Fund and international mission.

We will continue to collect these funds throughout the year. Lisa asked that any amount in honor of the Bishop should be written out to the Wisconsin Conference United Women in Faith and sent to her at 615 Riverview Ct., Fall River, WI 53932. In the Memo line you can write "Honoring the Bishop".

Any amount will be greatly appreciated.

Calendar for remainder of 2024

May 30-June 2: NC Jurisdiction Event, Indianapolis. Theme is "Looking UP"

MISSION U:

June 18, 20, 25, 27 on ZOOM: 7:00-9:00 p.m.

July 13 IN PERSON: One day Overview July 13 at Winding Rivers UMC, New Lisbon;

July 31: Articles due for "South East Special Edition" Fall newsletter (electronic)

Aug. 23-25 Conference Team Meeting at Pine Lake

Aug. 31: South East District Team Meeting 8:45-noon at Milton UMC

Sept. 21: South East District Annual Gathering at Milton UMC (in-person)

Oct. 11-12: Conference Annual Gathering at Eau Claire

Nov. 2: Conference Mission Team meeting on ZOOM

Nov. 9: South East District Team Meeting 8:45-noon at Caldwell UMC, 8504 Caldwell Rd., Mukwonago (Co. O & CO. L

Mabel Heil Scholarship Fund Wisconsin Conference

Purpose: The Mabel Heil Scholarship is 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.

Eligibility Requirements

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

- a. Awarded for one semester at a time. To be considered again for any subsequent semester, send a 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.
- d. Application forms may be requested from the address below.

Obtain application from and send to:

Mabel Heil Scholarship

Lucy Silvester

373 15th Ave.

Nekoosa, WI 54457

For more information, call 715-325-2841 or email at loosesilv45@gmail.com