

# THE SHARING LINE

A PUBLICATION OF UNITED WOMEN OF FAITH — PACIFIC NORTHWEST CONFERENCE

*"The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it;  
for he has founded it on the seas, and established it on the rivers."*

*—Psalm 24:1-2*

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## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN REBRANDED UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

During our 150 years in mission, our organization has adopted a new name more than 25 times. In 1972 we became United Methodist Women. In 2022 United Methodist Women officially REBRANDED as **United Women in Faith**.

**United Women in Faith** remains the only official women's organization of The United Methodist Church but opens the door to women of other faiths and allows women to remain members during divisions. A national membership option is available. The traditional structure at the conference, district, and local levels are unchanged.

The changes are based on research guided by the Board of Directors that included surveys, focus groups, and interviews with over 24,000 women from United Methodist and other faiths.

The New Wineskins Campaign is spreading the news about these special changes during the transition. Explore the new website <https://uwfaith.org> for an overview along with new and improved programs.

The calling cards are Faith, Action, and Sisterhood. The new logo shows the new



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name next to multicolored pieces of the cross in yellow, blue, orange, and green representing diversity.

—Ja net' W. Crouse, President,  
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For further information check out our  
**United Women in Faith website:**  
[pnwumc.org/uwfaith](https://pnwumc.org/uwfaith)

### MISSION STATEMENT

#### UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

seeks to connect and nurture women through Christian spiritual formation, leadership development, creative fellowship and education so that they can inspire, influence and impact local and global communities.

## VICE PRESIDENT'S CORNER



### GREETINGS UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH!

I hope you are well and looking forward to Spring...I know I certainly am excited about new things unfolding...whether they be the flowers in my little garden, or the new things happening within our organization!

The program planning group continues to work on our Conference Annual Meeting, October 13-14, at Bothell UMC...and in the comfort of your home by zoom! Yes, we are still planning on a Hybrid meeting. Our committee is in the process of finalizing break-out room speakers. At this time, I can tell you they will be focusing on Creation Justice. We are blessed to have Elizabeth Williams from the Inland District on our team. Elizabeth is passionate about Creation Justice and has been involved in this for some time. She has arranged for two breakout room speakers to join us; Julia Frisbie and Rev. Jenny Partch. I will be communicating with the women at the church regarding recommended motels in close proximity and will send that info to you by email as soon as I have some answers. It will

be your responsibility to reserve a room for Friday night if you will be needing one. Most meals will be provided at the church, more information on that to follow. Registration forms will be out by June. More to follow!

I am really excited to tell you about another opportunity we have to be a part of the work being done by Deaconess Cindy Johnson near Brownsville, Texas. Cindy and I touch base regularly. The last time we talked she thanked Pacific Northwest United Women of Faith again for the beautiful baby/child blankets we sent this past winter. She commented that prior to the arrival of the boxes full of quilts, the children were being given a very thin, gray blanket, meant for a family of five. When the children saw the brightly colored quilts and knitted blankets, some with puppies, Donald Duck, Mickey Mouse, and kittens, they smiled from ear to ear. Thank you again for that huge effort. Cindy has recently been "appointed Project Manager" by her bishop for a facility being built to temporarily house individuals and/or families who need shelter. As well as five "cabins", there will be an office for an attorney and for a medical provider. The sweet part of this is that the Mennonites' are providing the exterior building materials, the Amish will build the structures, at no cost! Cindy is looking for others to provide the "interior" of each cabin, including furnishings, bedding, a computer, etc. The estimated cost is

\$5000 per cabin. I began to ponder how we could help. It came to me that we have five districts which would break down to \$1,000/district. There are at least 10 units in each district which would mean \$100/unit! That seems so doable to me! The deadline for the money would be late summer. I brought this up at the Conference meeting yesterday and everyone was very excited to be a part of this permanent project. I communicated with Cindy last night...we are the first and only conference, so far, to respond. It won't be a "done deal" until your district lets me know that you are willing to be a part of this wonderful project. I look forward to hearing from you!! Blessings on you,

*Linda Hay,  
Vice President*

## THE 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 United Methodist Church.



**United  
Women  
in Faith**

## TREASURER'S MESSAGE

Well, the big news in United Methodist Women is United Women in Faith!! How are you feeling about that? It's a new name and a new look. Its change and it's exciting to see what the new name brings but we all are asking questions - what does it mean and what is it asking me to do in my position as a treasurer of a local unit or district. Here is a shortlist of things that are important for right now.

1. Checks to your local unit, your District, and to this Conference of United Women in Faith should still be made out payable to United Methodist Women. In other words, don't change a thing – write them like you always have. Otherwise, they would have problems being deposited.
2. There are new online addresses that are mentioned throughout this newsletter. I am having difficulty using them but no trouble when I type in United Women in Faith (into the search box) and choose what I want from the following - YouTube, Resource Center, and a few other related topics about United Women in Faith.
3. If you are using the UMW online website as a District Treasurer that has not changed as of my writing this article to you.

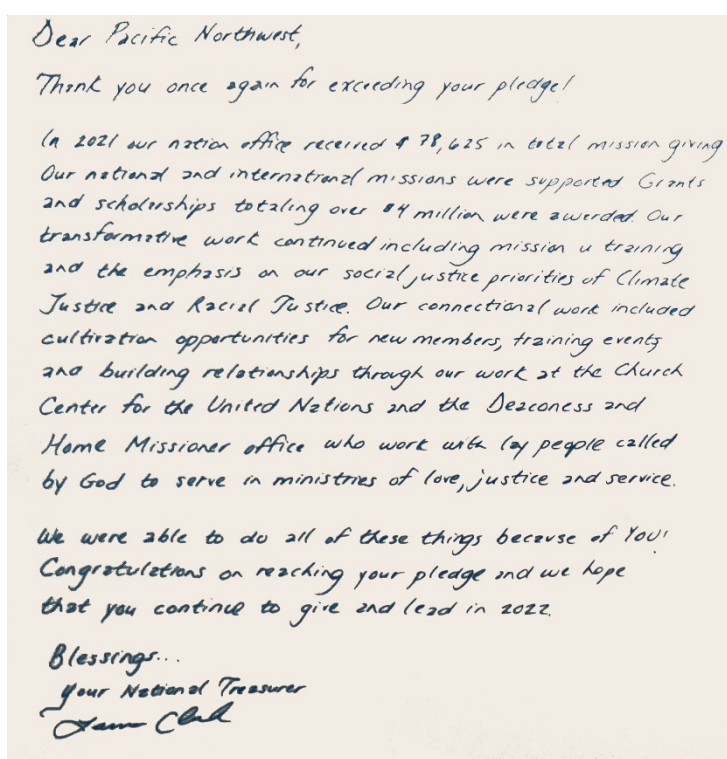
There may be other announcements that come out before this newsletter is published. They will be forwarded to the district treasurers and I will forward what I received from the

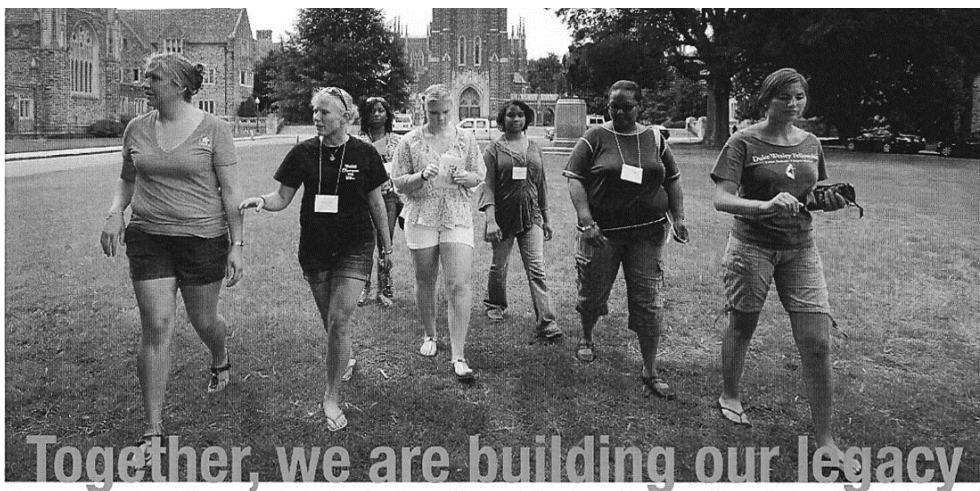
National Office to them as well. But if you have questions or don't understand something about the answers you get or can't find what you are looking for - please ask.

### Other noteworthy items to mention:

1. Total Gift to Missions including direct gifts from individuals to Pacific Northwest to National Office was 78,625.99.
2. Please try to have your audits done and audit reports turned into your District Treasurer and District Treasurers your audit reports come to me.

Kendra Smith  
Treasurer for United Women in Faith  
Pacific Northwest Conference





### HONORING OUR FOREMOTHERS' LEGACY

On March 23, 1869, eight women gathered and organized the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, the first of many Methodist women's mission organizations. Their Call to Action: hear-ing about the health and education needs of women in India. Their response: raising money to send a doctor, Clara Swain, and a teacher, Isabella Thoburn, to serve them. United Women in Faith is their successor and we celebrate 150 years of changing the lives of women, children, and youth.

### TOGETHER, WE MAKE AN IMPACT

From the beginning and continuing today, United Women in Faith members have led the way: from founding schools to interrupting the school to prison pipeline, from founding clinics and hospitals to working towards maternal and child health. Mindful of ongoing injustices, and whatever the challenges the next generation may face, the Legacy Fund will support United Women in Faith members in mission for women, children, and youth down the street and around the world for years to come.

### BUILDING LEGACY

The Legacy Fund is a forward-looking permanently invested endowment, the earnings will strengthen our organization so that future giving can be even more directly linked to our projects and partners, addressing injustice and alleviating suffering. Your contribution to the Legacy Fund will underwrite endeavors to strengthen our internal capacity to further invest in programs and services for future generations of United Women in Faith members in answering God's call to serve.

### WAYS TO GIVE

There are many ways to contribute to the Legacy Fund Endowment Campaign, so please reflect on the best fit and way to make your charitable gift. You can speak with your personal financial or estate planner. Some ways you can give are:

- Cash/Check Gifts/ Credit Card
- Plan a monthly commitment
- Planned Gifts
- Life Insurance Policies
- Matching gifts
- IRA or other retirement plan distributions
- Appreciated Securities
- Online giving: [uwfaith.org/give/legacy-fund](https://uwfaith.org/give/legacy-fund)

### Send checks to:

United Women in Faith  
Attn: LEGACY  
475 Riverside Drive, 15th Floor,  
New York, NY 10115  
Write: "The Legacy Fund" in the memo line

**By a text on your cell phone:**  
**text 41444 and enter Legacy 150 in the message area**

A member of our Development Team is happy to discuss with you giving options, answer questions, and provide additional information:

**Phone: 212-870-3734**

**Email: [legacy150@uwfaith.org](mailto:legacy150@uwfaith.org)**

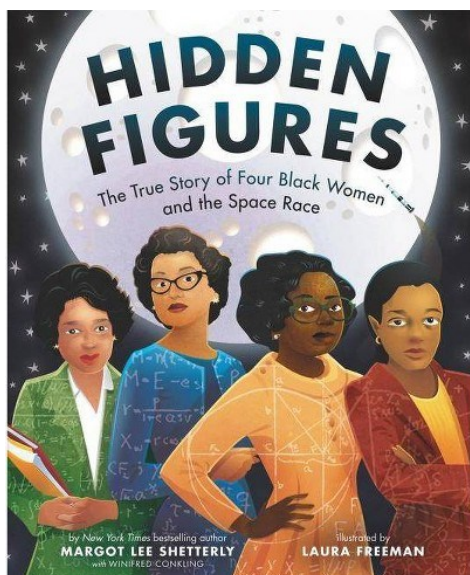
*Marsha AufenKamp  
Seven Rivers Missional District  
President*



## FOR RACIAL JUSTICE, COMBINE UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH BOOKS WITH MOVIES

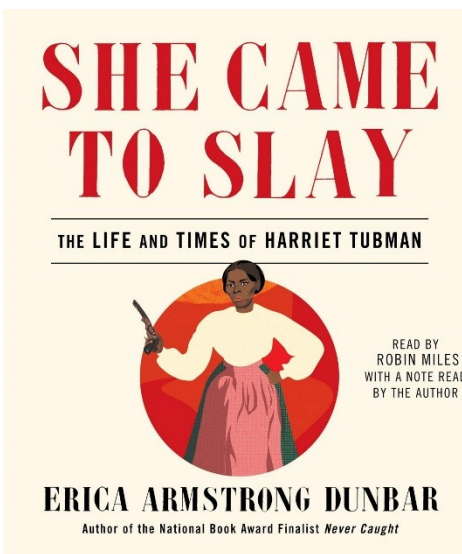
Two books in the Reading Program have powerful counterparts as movies.

Margot Lee Shetterly, *Hidden Figures: The Untold Story of the African American Women Who Helped Win the Space Race* (Leadership Development). This book tells the story of four talented



African American women who were “human computers” in Hampton, Virginia, and used pencils, slide rules, and adding machines to calculate numbers for launching rockets and astronauts into space. In the background are the challenges facing blacks in segregation during the Civil Rights movement and Space Race. The 2016 movie *Hidden Figures* focuses on three of these women.

Erica Armstrong Dunbar, *She Came to Slay: The Life and Times of Harriet Tubman* (Nurturing for Community).



This book tells the life story of Harriet Tubman, who was a famous conductor on the Underground Railroad. In 13 trips she led 60-70 people to freedom from Maryland from 1849 to 1861. During the Civil War, she led an armed expedition and worked as a spy. She became a suffragist and advocated for the aged. The 2019 movie *Harriet* begins in the 1840s when Harriet escapes to Philadelphia and ends in 1863 during the Civil War when she leads black



soldiers to free 750 slaves. When I visited friends in Maryland in 2019, I was able to visit the sites linked with Harriet Tubman, a joy since she is my hero.

Considers reading these books in your local unit and then watching the movies together.

Take time to discuss racial justice.

*Ja net' W. Crouse,  
Committee on Racial Justice*

## MISSION U IS COMING THIS JULY!



# Who Can We Be Together?

## Building Communities of Hope and Joy

**PLEASE JOIN US AT MISSION U 2022 AS WE REFLECT ON THE COMMUNITY THAT JESUS IS CALLING US TO BE!**

**2022 MISSION U, JULY 22-24, YAKIMA: WESLEY UMC**

**LEARNING TOGETHER FOR THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE WORLD.**

Beginning in 2022, we are taking an exciting new approach to Mission u curricula. This means there will be one transformative biblical curriculum for everyone. One for adults, one for youth, and one for children – all focusing on a shared biblical theme: Luke 13. There is no registration fee for children 5-12 if they are with a parent or grandparent.

You should purchase your Spiritual Growth Study Book in advance as they will not be sold at Mission u. The curricula we will be using are available to purchase at our e-store or at [www.umwmissionresources.org/](http://www.umwmissionresources.org/). The books are \$10 each.

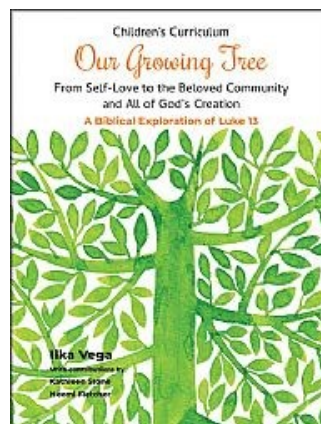
This year, as we study Luke 13, we find ourselves in a period of disruption and uncertainty. In the midst of a devastating pandemic, divisive political climate, unaddressed systemic racism, ecological crises, and economic turmoil, we turn to the stories of Jesus that have anchored Christian communities for two millennia.

Our hope is that we will leave Mission u with a bigger and broader vision of the community Christ is calling us to be in times of loss, grief, and massive disruption. What would be possible if we tend to the needs of our communities in small yet radical ways, as Jesus did in Luke 13?

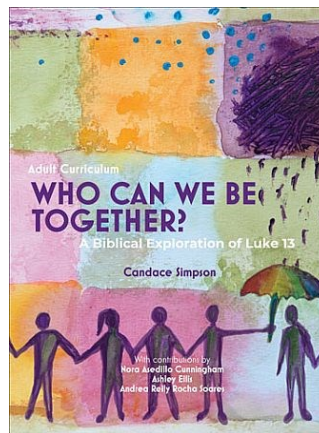
The Registration Form with the registration cost, deadlines, scholarship, and hotel information is available at our new PNW United Women in Faith website [www.pnwumc.org/uwfaith/](http://www.pnwumc.org/uwfaith/).

**We have two hotels reserved for Yakima.**

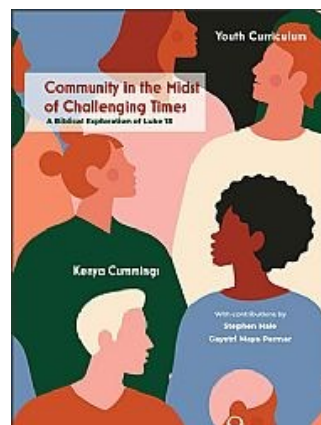
1. Ramada by Wyndham Yakima  
(509) 249-1000  
1001 Stff Sgt. Pendleton Way  
Yakima, WA 98901  
Room Rates: \$120.00 per night plus taxes  
Group Name: PNW UWF  
Mission u 7/2022
2. Best Western Plus  
1 (509) 453-8898  
1614 N 1st St.  
Yakima, WA 98901  
Room Rates: \$129.00, plus taxes  
Group name: United Women in Faith, Conf#1865



Children Book



Adult Book



Youth Book

# MISSION U 2022 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



**Who Can We Be Together?**

Building Communities  
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Scholarships are available for registration **ONLY**.

(Does Not Cover Room Cost.)

**PLEASE APPLY TO YOUR LOCAL CHURCH/UWF AND DISTRICT UWF FIRST.**

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (including Area Code) Home or Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and location of the Church you attend: \_\_\_\_\_

List local church and civic activities: \_\_\_\_\_

How will you share what you learn with others in your church? \_\_\_\_\_

The following information is **optional**, but scholarships are oftentimes awarded on this information:

First time attending this event: Yes ☐ No ☐

Age Group—Youth 12-17 ☐ 18-35 ☐ 36-55 ☐ 56 and older ☐

Will you have any funding provided by the following?

Local Church/UWF \$\_\_\_\_\_ from: \_\_\_\_\_

District UWF \$\_\_\_\_\_ from: \_\_\_\_\_

Personal Check \$\_\_\_\_\_ from: \_\_\_\_\_

**Total:** \$\_\_\_\_\_

**Please complete and submit this form along with your  
Registration form by July 1.**

To take advantage of the Early Bird price of \$125, we recommend submitting your Registration form and Scholarship Application so that they are postmarked on or before June 25.

**To: Linda Mills, Registrar**

**12431 SE 198<sup>th</sup> Pl, Kent, WA 98031**

**Email: [wmil1218@aol.com](mailto:wmil1218@aol.com) if you have questions**

**Phone: 206-399-2302**

## MEET MISSION U'S LEADERS

### ADULT STUDY LEADERS

#### Yvonne Agduyeng

was born in the Philippines, immigrated to the United States as a child, and grew up in Kent, WA. She holds a biology and anthropology undergraduate degree from Western Washington University and a Master of Divinity from Wesley Theological Seminary. Yvonne was commissioned in 2016 as a Global Mission Fellow (GMF) of the Global Board of Global Ministries (GBGM) and served in Germany working alongside refugees and the migrant ministries of Bremen United Methodist Church until 2018. After her time as a GMF, Yvonne served as a local pastor for Vegesack United Methodist Church for one year. She hopes her experience as a missionary will bridge her passion for serving the local church and commitment to justice through mission work. Yvonne serves as pastor at Redmond UMC. During her free time, Yvonne enjoys yoga, hiking, reading, and calligraphy.

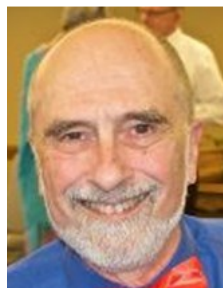


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**Lois Hines** used her medical library degree from UCLA when, as a Board of Global Ministries missionary, she assisted with the library of the Mary Johnston School of Nursing in Manila, Philippines. She also worked in the library at Union Church of Manila. She homeschooled



Kirsten and Adam for our first three years in Manila. For several years she was an officer in Seven Rivers District UMW. At their retirement community in Claremont, California, she's still working in the library and serves as treasurer of the Woman's Perspective group. She's enjoying weekly ZOOM classes in watercolor. (Lois and Ron met at Westmar College, Le Mars, Iowa, where they both graduated.)

**Ron Hines** has served as pastor at Seattle First (associate), Prosser, Tacoma Asbury, Puyallup First, and Yakima Wesley. He was superintendent of Seven Rivers District from 2001 to 09 and was PNW Conference missional church educator for part



of that time. As a Board of Global Ministries missionary, he served as pastor at Knox Memorial UMC in Manila, Philippines, and the University Church in Cavite on the campus of Union Theological Seminary, where he taught many subjects from 1985 to 94. He has enjoyed his previous teaching in the Schools of Mission that preceded Mission U, and he teaches the Mission class for local pastors' course of study. In retirement, he assists Dr. John B. Cobb, Jr., who recently launched the Living Earth Movement. Ron earned an M.Div. at United Theological Seminary, Dayton, Ohio, and a Ph.D. in religious education at Claremont School of Theology.

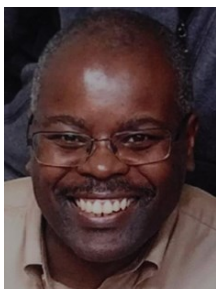
**Nica Sy** (she/they) is a Seattle-based organizer who works within the UMC and in her local area to envision and create a life-giving community. They are also a third-generation United Methodist Woman. In the spring of 2021, Nica graduated from the University of Washington with a degree in law, societies, and justice; entrepreneurship; and gender, women, and sexuality studies. Recently, her work has involved leading abolitionist efforts for the liberation of Black, Indigenous, and People of Color communities in Kent, Washington. Nica is the Communications & Development Coordinator with API Chaya, an organization dedicated to educating and mobilizing South Asian, Asian, Pacific Islander, and all immigrant communities to end exploitation, creating a world where all people can heal and thrive. Nica is a featured author and publisher of *Nourish: Seattle organizers document their histories through family recipes and food*, which brought together her love of food and passion for community organizing.



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## YOUTH STUDY LEADERS

**Reverend Golden Neal** is a lifelong Methodist. He grew up in the small town of Rochester, Washington where he now resides. He obtained his Bachelor's degree in Manufacturing Engineering Technology and worked for twelve years for the Boeing Commercial Aircraft Company. Through his work, he developed an analytical and systems-minded approach to addressing issues of quality and performance. He has adapted these practices in his ministry. Golden has served the church from his youth in a variety of roles: church committees, associate lay leader, delegate to the annual conference, camping, chairing conference committees, and pastor. He went to seminary at Saint Paul School of Theology in Kansas City Missouri to obtain a Master of Divinity degree and has attended the Two-Year Academy for Spiritual Formation. His academy experience sparked a passion for intentional outreach to underserved populations and alternative communities. With growing awareness of poverty, mental illness, and racial injustice he is emerging as an advocate for multicultural ministry. He currently works with the youth group at Rochester United Methodist Church. He divides his time between dementia studies, estate repairs, and multicultural ministry development and is exploring the possibilities of faith-based artwork.



Pastor Golden Neal enjoys spending time with friends, walking, reading, skiing, watching movies, science fiction, and making art. He is a life-long learner and likes conversing on a variety of subjects. He can help strengthen your faith through the discovery of your spiritual gifts and leadership abilities. He is currently focused on issues of diversity, equality, and inclusion. He currently works with the youth group at Rochester United Methodist Church.

**Danielle Estelle Ramsay** is a

provisional elder in the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference. She currently serves as associate pastor at Pioneer UMC in Walla Walla, WA.

She enjoys writing poetry, hanging out with her daughter, and walking her dog.



## CHILDREN'S STUDY LEADERS

**Sue and Terry Raymond** have taught the children's mission study in their local church in Georgia since the 1990s. Sue taught the classes in the North Georgia Conference since they were first offered in 1997 and they taught the classes together after Terry retired in 2004. They have watched a couple of generations of young people grow



in their commitment to God and to mission involvement. Terry served as the Conference Secretary of Global Ministries and Sue served as Conference UMW President. Together they served on the Disaster Response Committee and managed the conference Disaster warehouse. They moved back to their home state of Washington in July of last year and have enjoyed meeting and serving with a new group of mission-minded Methodists!

**Lyn Rush** is a first-generation Filipino Immigrant who has two children and married for 16

years to Erik Rush.

Lyn is a former Amity English Teacher from 2000 to 2004 for 3 years in mainland China through the

General Board of Global Ministries and freelance in that last year where her love for God remained strong and continue embodying the compassion and mercy she does wherever her feet take her. She is currently a Certified Lay Minister of the Crest to Coast District of Pacific Northwest Annual Conference staying a full-time mom, Vancouver Heights UMC Youth Leader, and Pulpit Supply when invited. She loves traveling, cooking, and enjoying the company of the millennials, Gen, Z and the Boomers too. Her motto is Peacemaking Without Limits



## SPIRITUAL GROWTH

United Women in Faith Pacific N.W. Conference Executive Team met recently in a hybrid setting at Lazy F Camp. It was joy-filled, inspiring, and productive. It was wonderful to once again see our sisters in Christ in person.

We worshiped and sang together outside in a wonderful setting. We opened with the scripture theme for the year, Ps. 24:1 & 2, "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and those that dwell therein; for he has founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the rivers." We look ahead with hope and with a focus on care for our world.

The new brand and name, United Women in Faith, has recently been introduced. Coming together in faith is more inclusive for women of all ages. Faith, though acted out in a variety of ways, brings

us together. In the time ahead we will be introduced to how this will manifest as more

tools and resources are introduced.

"Hope in the Lord" We can look ahead to plans

being made for Mission U, the Annual Meeting, and the Spiritual Growth retreat for 2023. The Spiritual

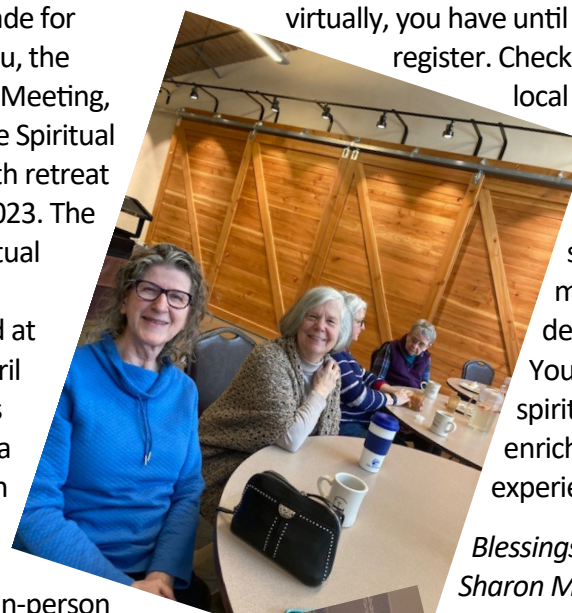
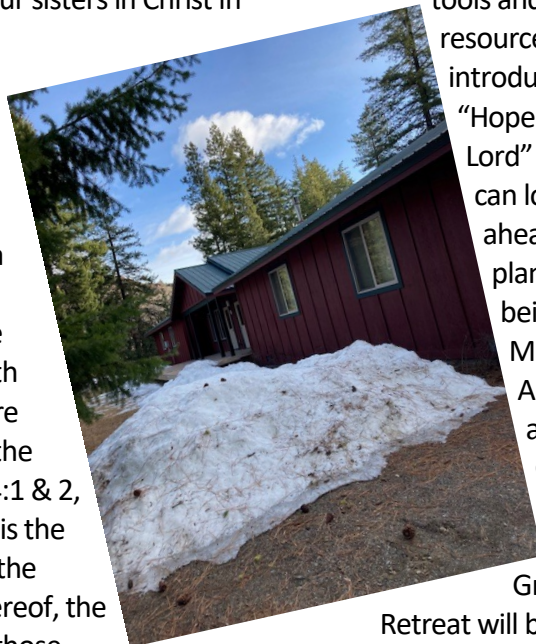
Growth Retreat will be held at Lazy F Camp on April 28-30th, 2023. This

will be a month later than

our last in-person retreat at Lazy F.

This will give us a better chance at weather conducive to enjoying the great surroundings of the camp. Please put it on your calendar.

More information will follow. Assembly is just a little over a month away. If you would like to attend



virtually, you have until April 11th to register. Check with your

local United

Women in Faith and district for scholarship money to help defray the cost.

You will be spiritually enriched by the experience.

*Blessings*

*Sharon McDaniel*  
*Spiritual Growth*

*Coordinator*

*United Women in Faith*

*Pacific Northwest*

## A BIG WELCOME TO THE WOMEN OF PIONEER UNITED WOMEN OF FAITH!!

On April 4th we celebrated the reorganization of Women United in Faith. I started attending Pioneer UMC in 2019...just before Covid hit. Having been active in United Methodist Women for the past 26 years, I missed working with other like-minded women. We needed to wait over two years to gather, but once we could, we did! We held two "informational meetings" and quickly learned that many of the women were hungry for fellowship, learning, spiritual growth, and being in mission together. Maria Rodriquez of National was very helpful with the paperwork and the process. We are still in the process of setting up an evening circle for working women, and I am hopeful we may be able to attract some teenage girls as well.

*Linda Hay  
Vice President  
Pacific Northwest  
United Women of Faith*



Officers and Out of Town Guests



Pioneer United Women of Faith Members



## PROGRAM RESOURCES



The Pacific Northwest Conference of the United Women in Faith (United Women in Faith) met for our spring Executive Meeting at Lazy F Camp and Retreat Center near Ellensburg, WA, during March 18-20. We were so excited to meet in person after 2 years in the virtual sphere. We were giddy with the fun of it.

Planning for our United Women in Faith Annual Meeting is well underway. We will be meeting in person with a hybrid component for those who cannot join us. With the large geographic area of our conference, it is understandable that members of our large conference may prefer to meet virtually.

The Prayer Calendar has been replaced by a new format entitled "Daily Prayer Guide 2022." The description and order details are available at this link:

[www.umwmissionresources.org/shopping\\_product\\_detail.asp?pid=53512](http://www.umwmissionresources.org/shopping_product_detail.asp?pid=53512)

We are looking forward to Mission u being held at Wesley UMC in Yakima on the dates of July 22-24. There will be separate classes for children and youth, with excellent teachers for both age groups. Please be aware that the books for the all-school study, "Who Can We Be Together: Building Communities of Hope and Joy," will not be available for purchase at Mission u. Each participant is encouraged to buy a copy prior to the first day.

[www.umwmissionresources.org/](http://www.umwmissionresources.org/)

The Conference book group recently finished reading, "Hidden Figures," by Margot Lee Shetterly. We had a screening of the movie at our recent retreat at Lazy F Camp and Retreat Center. It was a pleasure to see the film again, especially with the book discussion fresh in our minds. There is a tentative plan to screen another movie next year to coincide with the United Women in Faith Reading Program.

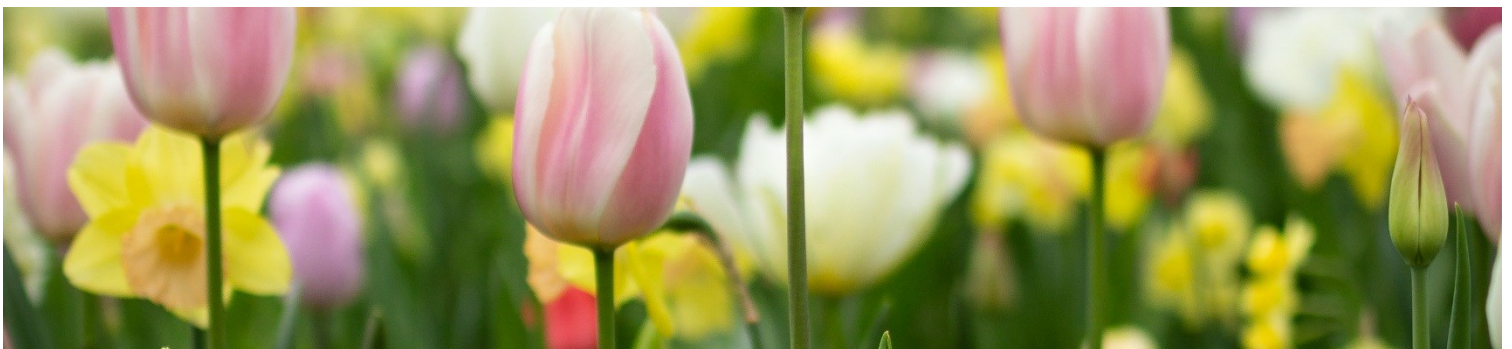
We recently completed the inspirational book, "Love is the Way: Holding on to Hope in Troubling Times," by Bishop Michael Curry, who is the presiding bishop of the Episcopal Church in the United States. The memoir of his life as a young black man who began

worshiping with the Episcopal Church during his college years, and ascending to the highest administrative office of the church outside the United Kingdom was a joy to read. Bishop Curry's commitment to his Christian pastoral vocation to members of all walks of life was truly a model of love and compassion.

The book we are currently reading as part of the United Women in Faith reading program is "The Lifesaving Church: Faith Communities and Suicide Prevention," by Rachael A. Keefe, an ordained pastor of the United Church of Christ and a suicide survivor. Even though it is a challenging subject for our reading group, we are approaching it with interest. We want to be ready to help members of our churches and communities who struggle with great personal burdens.

The new United Women in Faith reading list has been compiled for 2022-2023, but it has not been released just yet. Look for it to be published soon.

*Jan Catrell,  
Secretary of Program Resources*



## 2022 PACIFIC NORTHWEST CONFERENCE UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH CONFERENCE CALENDAR

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
January 15	10 am – 2:00 pm	Spring Conference United Women in Faith Executive Meeting	Zoom
January 22	8:30 am – 1:30 pm	2022 Eastern Washington Leadership Conference	Zoom
February 6	6 pm (PST) 7 pm (MST)	<a href="#">Idaho Legislative Event Part 1</a>	Zoom
February 10		<a href="#">Washington Interfaith Advocacy Day</a>	Olympia, WA
February 13	6 pm (PST) 7 pm (MST)	<a href="#">Idaho Legislative Event Part 2</a>	Zoom
March 18-20		Spring Conference United Women in Faith Executive Meeting	<a href="#">Lazy F Camp &amp; Retreat Center</a> , Ellensburg, WA
March 23		Day of Giving	
March 30		Annual Membership Census Due Online	
April 2		Mission u Training Begins	
May 20-22		<a href="#">Assembly</a>	
June 9-12		<a href="#">United Methodist Church Greater Northwest Annual Conference</a>	On Zoom
July 21-22		Summer Conference United Women in Faith Executive Meeting	<a href="#">Selah UMC</a> , Selah WA
July 22-24		Mission u	<a href="#">Wesley UMC</a> , Yakima, WA
September		Crest to Coast Missional District Annual Meeting	TBD
September 17		Inland Missional District Annual Meeting	<a href="#">Spokane Valley UMC</a> Spokane Valley, WA
September		Puget Sound Missional District	TBD
September		SeaTac Missional District Annual Meeting	TBD
September 17		Seven Rivers Missional District Annual Meeting	TBD
October 13-14		Fall Conference United Women in Faith Executive Meeting	<a href="#">Bothell UMC</a> , Bothell, WA
October 14-15		Conference United Women in Faith Annual Meeting	<a href="#">Bothell UMC</a> , Bothell, WA
2024		Western Jurisdiction Quadrennial Meeting.	TBD



## JAR\$ FOR JAMAA LETU 2022!!



COVID has changed the collection of this offering, but not the love and joy that goes with it. Please consider making a donation to your local church, designated to Jamaa Letu, between now and June.

If your church meets in person, consider making some Jamaa Letu jars for the coin (and bill!) collection and turn them into your church treasurer. Your treasurer will send the funds to the conference office in late June or when funds are received. You can also encourage everyone to give through our special fundraising link, <https://bit.ly/jars2022>. All the funds donated here will go to support our orphans. Also, donors can text the code "JARS2022" to 44-321 to pull up the same page on their mobile device. If you would prefer to give by check, you can mail your gift to the PNW Treasurer's Office: P.O. Box 13650, Des Moines, WA 98198. In the memo, indicate "Jamaa Letu Orphanages" or "Jamaa Letu Scholarships".

*The money collected will support the operating expenses, such as food, clothing, school fees, utilities and salaries for the staff.*



## INTERFAITH HUMOR: LIGHT BULBS



Christians Changing Light Bulbs: How many Christians does it take to change a light bulb?

Charismatics: Only one. Hands are already in the air.

Pentecostals: Ten. One to change the bulb, and nine to pray against the spirit of darkness.

Presbyterians: None. Lights will go on and off at predestined times.

Roman Catholic: None. Candles only.

Baptists: At least 15. One to change the light bulb, and three committees to approve the change and decide who brings the potato salad.

Episcopalians: Three. One to call the electrician, one to mix the drinks, and one to talk about how much better the old one was.

Unitarians: We choose not to make a statement either in favor of or against the need for a light bulb. However, in your own journey you have found that light bulbs work for

you, which is fine. You are invited to write a poem or compose a modern dance about your light bulb for the next Sunday service, in which we will explore a number of light bulb traditions, including incandescent, fluorescent, three-way, and long-life and tinted, all of which are equally valid paths to luminescence.

Mormons: Five. One man changes the bulb, and four wives tell him how to do it.

Nazarene: Six. One woman replaced the bulb while five men review the church lighting policy.

Methodists: Undetermined. Whether your light is bright, dull, or completely out, you are loved. You can be a light bulb, turnip bulb, or tulip bulb. A church-wide lighting service is planned for Sunday. Bring a bulb of your choice and a covered dish.

Lutherans: None. Lutherans don't believe in change.

Amish: What's a light bulb?

## JOIN US ON FACEBOOK



Our FACEBOOK PAGE helps us promote upcoming District, Conference, Western

Jurisdiction and National Events. It is also a great place to share and learn about Social Issues and Action Alerts.

Help us utilize this tool in our mission work by sharing local events or social issues that you are aware of. Find this information and more at our website: [pnwumc.org/uwfaith](http://pnwumc.org/uwfaith).

## OTHER UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH RESOURCE ONLINE

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## NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Anything for the **Summer Newsletter** should be emailed to Jenny Bygland ([jbygland@kentmethodist.com](mailto:jbygland@kentmethodist.com)) by **Monday, August 1**. *Late articles will be included as space permits.* **No submissions will be accepted after noon on Monday, August 15.**

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