

Crest to Coast Currents



United Women In Faith Crest To Coast District President's Corner

Greetings from your District President. We have been busy the last few months and I want to share some this with you. We worked really hard to get out the new directories in March so I hope you will let us know if you did not receive one. We are also wanting to know if there are any additions or corrections. We will send out a page of those soon so you can add those to your directory as well.

A few of our District officers also had a very nice visit to Kalama UMC in March. If your Unit wishes a visit by a few of our District officers please email me and we can arrange a visit. We are trying to do more of these visits but it has been slow happening.

In April our District officers attended our PNW Conference Leadership Development Retreat at Lazy F. I think we all learned more about our jobs and how we can serve our district a little better. It was a joy to meet Shannon Priddy, our former UMF President who still serves at the National office. She lead the retreat with her keynote talk on being Inspired, Influenced and Impactful in our organization. She is very

energetic and vivacious and fun. It made this working weekend more enjoyable. Saturday night also provided some fun as we gathered for some skits and entertainment. Our own Sue Raymond put on a skit in costume with props using the story of the Loaves and Fishes at the Sea of Galilea. It was a cute interpretation of this event about the family that brought the basket of loaves and fishes and shared with the thousands of people with a little of humor and imagination here and there. Very well done, Sue! Our District officers also put on a cute skit on United Methodist Women which was spearheaded by Joan Hackett.

We had about four women from our District attend Western Jurisdiction in May and I understand everyone had a good time in Alaska.

Mission U is coming up soon July 26-27 weekend. It looks be be another very good one in Yakima at Wesley UMC. Look for registration forms in the Sharing Line or on the UWF website. Scholarships are also available and those forms will also be in the Sharing Line. You have until June 30 for early registration prices.

We are really looking forward to our annual District meeting this Fall, September 20. And yes that is a Friday because Tacoma Community House where we have been invited is only open during the week days. So we are trying this as many folks are retired now because TCH wants to provide the program so I hope you will consider coming. Details will be forth coming in a separate article. This is a good time for our UWF folks up north to attend.

We keep very busy at the District but we also have fun, go to lunch and more. Please consider joining us as a District officer, we would be glad to have you. Please contact me, Gail Anitjunti, on Nominations or any of the officers for further information.

Have a great summer and we hope to see you at these events listed above, Blessings,

Bev Thomas,

Crest To Coast Missional District President

Mission Giving

Every Little Bit Helped!

It is with gratitude I wish to share this certificate received in the mail today! It is issued by Sally Vonner, General Secretary/CFO and Tamara Clark, Treasurer/CFO of our National organization of United Women in Faith. With the generosity of giving by women throughout our conference, in units large and small, we were able to provide 163 % of our pledged giving for mission and ministry with women, children and youth. We had pledged \$50,000 and were able to submit \$81,617! This assures that our legacy of mission will continue into the future. Your creative fundraising along with individual pledged giving is making a difference. Even though we continue to navigate our “new normal” we continue to be faithful stewards in order to be open to areas of ministry to which we are being called.



Crest to Coast District Annual Meeting

This year our Annual Meeting is at Tacoma Community House on September 20, a Friday from 10-2. I am requesting names of those members who have died since our last Annual Meeting in September 2023.

Each unit President is asked to bring a stone of remembrance to the meeting with the name of your unit written on, that we will use there on that day. Please bring a small stone about 2-3 inches in size from your area. If you wish to paint it, then write on your church name, then please do. I would like all units to bring a stone whether or not you have any names of women who have died in the last year.

Please could you send these names to me by July 1 so I can plan? We will list these names in the program. Of course, I will add any more names up to the time of our meeting on September 20. Also let me know who will be bringing the stone.

Thank you

Joan Hackett, Membership Nurture and Outreach Coordinator
revkeithjoan@hotmail.com 360-696-1615



United
Women
in Faith

Crest to Coast District
Annual Meeting
September 20, 2024.
10 a.m.--2 p.m.

Tacoma Community House

When did we see you as a stranger and invite you in?

Tacoma Community House has been a steadfast foundation for vulnerable communities for 114 years serving as a beacon of hope for immigrants, refugees, and homeless youth. Located at 1314 S. L St., Tacoma, WA 98405. 253-383-3951

Registration Deadline: September 3, 2024.

\$5 per person; \$20 per church group

Mail form and payment to:

Eileen Costuck,

3720 E. 18th St., Apt. 211,

Vancouver, WA 98661.

Or email form to ecostuck@gmail.com. Mail payment.

Questions? 360-605-4578

Name_____

Address_____

E-mail_____

UWF Officer _____

Church_____

Mission u

S. Fitzpatrick

This summer's Mission U is July 25-27 in Yakima at Wesley United Methodist Church. Once again, we will have the opportunity to gather in fellowship and study as we learn about the Good News and what it means for our lives. This year's Biblically grounded study is "The Kingdom is Among You—Drawing Closer to God and One Another." Sessions are offered for adults, youth and children. The curriculum for this year's study is entitled: "Welcome Home," by Neomi Fletcher, with contributors Parker Roberts and Sandra Williamson. The book is available for purchase through the United Women in Faith website: [Mission u | United Women in Faith \(uwfaith.org\)](https://uwfaith.org). This link opens to the order page for the Adult curriculum book, as well as those for Youth and Children.

Early bird registration of \$125 is available through June 30, 2024, and then the regular price of \$150 is required. There is no registration fee for children ages 5-12 when accompanied by a parent or grandparent. Scholarships are available, and the deadline is June 30, 2024.

Attendees should apply to their local church, United Women in Faith unit or District United Women in Faith. Registration forms can be mailed to Linda Mills, 12431 SE 198th Pl., Kent, WA 98031. Her phone number is 206-399-2302 and email is wmil1218@aol.com.



The registration forms and scholarship forms are available on the UWF Pacific Northwest Conference website at <https://www.pnwumc.org/uwfaith/resources/mission-u-forms/>

Mission u — Adult Registration Form

The Kin-Dom is Among You —DRAWING CLOSER TO GOD AND ONE ANOTHER
July 25-27, 2024

Wesley United Methodist Church - 14 N 48th Ave, Yakima, WA 98908

Name for your Name Badge _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____ Check here if you do not have an email ☐

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone: _____

Can you open MS Word documents (Word.docx or PDF)? Yes ☐ No ☐

Church _____

District _____ Conference _____

Status: Is this your first time attending Mission u? Yes ☐ No ☐

(Check all that apply): Pastor/Clergy ☐ Lay ☐ UWF ☐ UMM ☐ School Staff ☐

Are you a UWF Officer? Yes ☐ No ☐ Check all that apply: Local ☐ District ☐ Conference ☐

Gender (optional) _____ Age Group: 5-12 ☐ 13-17 ☐ 18-35 ☐ 36 and over ☐

Adult Study Leaders: Rev. Cindy Roberts, Lynden UMC, and Ronda Cordill, Deaconess at UMM

Dietary: Meals are served buffet style. The caterer will work hard to accommodate most diets by providing a variety of options. Gluten-free and diabetic choices will be available.

Food Allergies: _____

Meals included: Thursday dinner; Friday lunch and dinner

ADA needs: We are happy to help you prepare for an enjoyable experience! Please share your challenges or concerns. If we don't know before the event, we may not be equipped to assist:

Childcare is available for ages 2-4. Do you need childcare? Yes ☐ or No ☐ Child or Children's Ages _____

Do you need a lanyard for your name badge? Yes ☐ or No ☐

Children and Youth registrants: Completion of the Medical Release Form and Covenant for Responsible Adult Form

is mandatory for attendance. Youth must complete the Youth Covenant Form. Find the forms here: www.pnwumc.org/uwfaith/mission-u-forms.

Can we use your photo in promotional materials? Yes ☐ or No ☐

Can the National Division use your contact information? Yes ☐ or No ☐

Study Books: Spiritual Growth Study books are available for purchase online at uwfaith.org/resources/. Books will not be sold at Mission u.



Mission u — Adult Registration Form

Hotel Information Red Lion Hotel Yakima Center

607 E Yakima Ave
Yakima, WA 98901
509-454-2455

Cost per night: \$153.46, including taxes and breakfast

Registration Cost

Early Bird Price — \$125.00 — May 1 - June 30, 2024

Regular Price — \$150.00 — Forms postmarked between July 1 and July 11, 2024

No registration fee for children ages 5-12 accompanied by a parent or grandparent

PLEASE LIST FUNDING PROVIDED BY

Local Church/UWF	\$		from:	
District Church/UWF	\$		from:	
Conference Church/UWF	\$		from:	
Personal Check	\$		from:	
Total:	\$		Participants are responsible for the difference.	
Total amount enclosed	\$		Make checks payable to <u>MISSION u</u>	

*Pre-payment, including scholarship funds, are required. *NO payments accepted at Mission u.

Email the completed registration form to wmil1218@aol.com or mail the completed registration form to Linda Mills, 12431 SE 198th Pl, Kent, WA 98031

For questions about registration, call Linda at 253-859-2964 or email: wmil1218@aol.com

A confirmation letter will be emailed to you. If you indicate you do not have an email address, the letter will be mailed to you.

Scholarships

Scholarships are available up to \$125.

Scholarship Deadline: June 30, 2024.

Please apply to your Local Church, Local UWF unit, and District UWF first.

Scholarship Application available at <https://www.pnwumc.org/uwfaith/mission-u-forms>

Contact: Linda Mills — wmil1218@aol.com — 253-859-2964



Scholarship Application – Mission u July 25-27, 2024

Scholarships are available for registration ONLY up to \$125.
Please check with your Local Church/UWF Unit 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: _____

Do you plan to share what you learn with others in your church? _____

- First time attending Mission u? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Children 8-12 are free with a parent or grandparent
- ☐ Youth 13-17 (all are eligible for the full \$125 scholarship)
- ☐ 18-35 ☐ 36-55 ☐ 56 and older

**Scholarship checks from your local church, UWF unit, or district
should NOT be mailed with this Scholarship Application.**

They should be mailed to the Mission u Business Manager at:

Carol Gruen

2205 Lakemoor Dr. SW

Olympia WA 98512

gruenw@comcast.net

Please list any funds you are receiving from:

Local Church name _____

amount \$

Local UWF unit name _____

amount \$

District UWF name _____

amount \$

Personal Check amount \$ _____

Total\$ _____

Mission u scholarship amount that you are requesting up to \$125 _____

**Please complete and mail this Scholarship Application
and your Registration form by **June 30, 2024.****

To: Linda Mills,

12431 SE 198th Pl, Kent, WA 98031

Email: wmil1218@aol.com — Phone: 253-859-2964

Youth Covenant for Mission u July 25-27, 2024

As a participant in Mission u, I take seriously my responsibility and affirm my commitment to the well-being and safety of myself and others. I agree to remain on the site of the event or meeting unless I have been granted permission to leave by my designated responsible adult:

_____. I will attend all scheduled activities, sessions, and meals. I will observe published curfews by being in my room, being quiet, and not disturbing others. I understand that anything considered illegal for minors (persons under 18) under civil law and criminal law applies to this event or meeting as well. Therefore, I will obey all laws. I will not use tobacco, illegal substances, or alcohol, nor will I possess any firearms, weapons, or fireworks. I will respect the equipment and property of others and care for the facility which we share. Any damage to the facility will be the sole responsibility of the person or persons who cause the damage and the parent or legal guardian of each person responsible.

This covenant is made between each teen participant and the entire group. I understand that if I break the covenant, and if the brokenness cannot be reconciled, my parent or legal guardian will be contacted, and my participation in the event or meeting may be terminated.

Signature of Teen Participant

Date

Printed Name

Parental consent:

I give my permission for my child, _____, to participate in Mission u, to be held July 25-27 at Wesley United Methodist Church in Yakima, Washington. I am aware of the purpose of this event or meeting and understand the scope and nature of the programs and activities my child will participate in during the event or meeting. I have read the covenant, which my child has signed, and I understand the responsibilities they have agreed to. I will support them in fulfilling this covenant.

I designate _____ to be the responsible adult for my child during Mission u, to be held July 25-27 at Wesley United Methodist Church in Yakima, Washington. I have read and understand the United Methodist Women National Office policies and procedures for responsible adults.

Printed Name & Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian

Date

Responsible Adults Covenant for Mission u

As a designated responsible adult with children or teen participants at Mission u, to be held July 25-27, 2024, at Wesley United Methodist Church in Yakima, Washington, I hereby accept the responsibilities outlined in this covenant and affirm my compliance with all United Methodist Women National Office policies and procedures related to reducing the risk of sexual abuse, ensuring the safety of teen participants, and administering appropriate disciplinary action when necessary.

I acknowledge that I have not been convicted of any illegal conduct involving a minor, specifically, but not limited to, child abuse (either sexual abuse, physical abuse, or emotional abuse).

I acknowledge and agree to be the designated responsible adult for the following children or teen participants:

Responsible Adult:

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Teen

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Responsible Adult:

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Teen

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Responsible Adult:

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Teen

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I understand that it is my responsibility as the responsible adult for these children or teen participants to provide supervision during Mission u. Should I become unable to perform my responsibilities, I agree to contact one of the Mission u Designated Safety Officers (DSO) and remain with the children or teen for whom I am responsible until an alternate responsible adult can be designated.

I agree to do everything possible to ensure the full participation of these teen participants and their fulfillment of the covenant they have individually signed and collectively agreed to uphold. Furthermore, I personally agree to uphold the standards set forth in the covenant for teen participants, abide by all restrictions placed on them, and serve as an exemplary role model at all times during the event or meeting.

While it is not illegal for me to engage in tobacco use, I will comply with all facility restrictions and use tobacco only in designated areas. Likewise, while it is not illegal for me to consume alcohol, I agree to refrain from using alcohol while I am responsible for the care of children or young adults at Mission u.

I agree to these guidelines and acknowledge this as a binding covenant for the protection of minors entrusted to me for the duration of this event.

I agree to report any suspected child abuse or inappropriate behavior between an adult and minor to a Mission u DSO.

When it becomes necessary to take disciplinary action for minor violations of the covenant, I agree to use non-physical forms of discipline and employ mediation techniques whenever possible. In so doing, I agree to reserve judgment until all the facts have been obtained and the teen participant committing the violation has been given the opportunity to explain their conduct. Any minor violations of the covenant shall be resolved as promptly and amicably as possible. Responsibility for maintaining the covenant rests with each teen participant and the entire group (that is, the responsible adult and the teen they are designated to supervise). Every effort should be made for mediation, reconciliation, and empowerment within the group to resolve the situation and negotiate the consequences for minor violations of the covenant. The responsible adult shall facilitate the mediation and allow the entire group to participate in repairing the brokenness of the covenant.

Minor violations of the covenant are defined as follows:

1. Excessive noise or disruptive behavior.
2. Disrespect for another person or property.
3. Late for curfew (not in his/her room when curfew begins).
4. Breaking curfew (leaving his/her room after curfew begins).
5. Late to scheduled activities, sessions, or meals.
6. Uncooperative attitude.

In the case of major violations of the covenant or civil or criminal violations of the law, the responsible adult shall immediately intervene without consulting with the rest of the group. The parent or guardian shall be notified promptly. Major violations of the covenant are not immediate grounds for termination of participation and should be decided between the responsible adult, child or teen participant, and parent or guardian. Civil or criminal violations of the law are immediate grounds for termination of participation. In the case of termination of participation, the responsible adult shall notify a Mission u DSO representative immediately and inform them of the circumstances.

Major violations of the covenant are defined as follows:

1. Repeated minor violations (more than three of the same or different).
2. Damaging, defacing, or destroying property.
3. Leaving the site without permission.
4. Skipping scheduled activities, sessions, or meals.
5. Violent or abusive behavior or language toward another.
6. Endangering one's own or another's safety.

Grounds for immediate termination of participation are defined as follows:

1. Any civil or criminal violation of the law.
2. Use of tobacco, alcohol, or illegal substances.
3. Possession of firearms, weapons, or fireworks.

In the event that another participant witnesses a violation, they shall immediately refer the matter to the responsible adult for the teen participant involved. In cases of emergency or immediate response, the adult present shall take appropriate action until the situation is under control. Then, they shall notify the designated responsible adult and inform them of the circumstances. The designated responsible adult shall take the necessary steps to ensure proper handling of the situation and its accompanying consequences or disciplinary actions as outlined above.

*Printed Name of
Responsible Adult*

*Signature of
Responsible Adult*

Date

Children and Youth Mission u

Medical Release Form – July 25-27, 2024

All children and youth participants are required to provide medical and insurance information as well as parental consent for necessary treatment in the event of illness or injury.

Participant's Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Participant's Address: _____

Father's Name: _____

Home Telephone # _____ Work Telephone # _____

Mother's Name: _____

Home Telephone # _____ Work Telephone # _____

Legal guardian's Name: _____ Telephone # _____

Other Contact Person's Name: _____ Telephone # _____

Family Physician's Name: _____ Telephone # _____

Insurance Carrier: _____ Plan # _____

Policy # _____ Date of last tetanus booster: _____

Allergies, Insect Sting, Food or Drug: _____

Is the participant under the care of a physician for a medical problem? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please explain.

Is the participant taking medication prescribed by a physician? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please list.

Other information an attending physician needs to be aware of:

List any over-the-counter medications you **DO NOT** wish dispensed to the participant for treatment of minor ailments or injuries.

I give my permission for such diagnostic and therapeutic procedures as may be deemed necessary for the participant by qualified medical care providers, hospitals, or physicians while the participant is en route to, from, or in attendance at Mission u, to be held July 25-27, 2024, at Wesley United Methodist Church in Yakima, Washington.

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian

Printed Name

Relationship to Participant

Date

Mission Today

Even though summer has just begun, it is never too late to plan for Mission Today since completed forms are due August 15, 2024 for the recording period of September 2023 through August.

The more I learn about Mission Today, the more enthused I become. Mission Today is designed to energize local units to become involved in mission through prayer, study and action. Whether your unit works at the local food bank, donates to an UWF institutional mission, writes to people in the prayer calendar, or participates in one of the other Mission Today activities, you will be blessed many times over. Giving of our time, talent and resources helps us fulfill our goals of serving children, youth and women. We can see the impact that we make collectively and as individuals.

To recognize the efforts of local units, UWF awards two levels of Mission Today work. They are

1. Gold Level Unit: a unit completes at least 12 of the criteria, 6 marked with a star, or
2. Silver Level Unit: a unit completes at least 6 of the criteria, with 3 marked with a star.
3. Units with fewer than 15 members can use half of the numbers mentioned above for their criteria.

The form to record your unit's Mission Today activities is included in this newsletter. A link to the fillable form on the website is also included.

<https://www.pnwumc.org/uwfaith/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/Mission-Today-Brochure-Crest-to-Coast-2023-fillable.pdf>

Please have your Education & Interpretation coordinator complete the form and email or mail me the form in August. (Note: Information on the form regarding Mission U is incorrect, but the Mission Today info is correct, including my contact information.)

If you have any questions, please contact me by text or phone call at 360-921-6249 or by email at shereegf@gmail.com. My mailing address is 2716 NW 118 th Circle, Vancouver, WA 98685.

Become a Mission Today Unit

What is Mission Today?

Mission Today serves to energize United Women in Faith to be more involved in mission through prayer, study, and action by:

- **Increasing contacts between local units and mission personnel** and projects so that the units can understand what their money is supporting around the world;
- **Encouraging the use of mission resources** offered through United Women in Faith; and
- **Expanding the concept that promoting Social Justice is a mission.**

Mission Today Unit Requirements

Set a goal early on and check the boxes inside this brochure as you complete each item! The complete list is on the reverse side.

- **Gold Units** need to complete at least 11 criteria, 6 of which must be marked with a ★
- **Silver Units** need to complete at least 6 of the criteria, 3 of which must be marked with a ★

(Units that have under 15 members, use half of the above-mentioned numbers in all categories) The recording period to become a Mission Today Unit is from September through the following August.

Complete and send the form on the reverse side to your District Mission Coordinator for Education & Interpretation or designated person **by August 15**

Mission Coordinator for Education & Interpretation Position

Mission Education & Interpretation increases the power and effectiveness of United Women in Faith by:

- Helping members **understand the mission and outreach ministries** of the church;
- Emphasizing the need for **continued financial support for the programs and mission** of the United Women in Faith;
- Discovering ways to **educate and interpret the mission and social justice priorities** of United Women in Faith, and inviting the talents of new members;
- Promoting the use of **response Magazine and New World Outlook Magazine**, utilizing these resources as part of United Women in Faith's outreach to local units.

The Mission Education & Interpretation Coordinator relates to the Other Mission Coordinators in the following ways:

- **The Mission Coordinator for Social Action** to expand traditional concepts of mission;
- **The Mission Coordinator for Spiritual Growth** to act on our Biblical and theological foundations for mission and mission giving; and
- **The Mission Coordinator for Membership Nurture and Outreach** to promote and interpret mission education and mission giving to individual members.

Mark Your Calendars!

Mission u—July 21-23, 2023, Wesley UMC, Yakima, WA
"Living the Kin-dom" Explore the Lord's Prayer as recorded in Matthew 6:9-13. It is an invitation to take a deeper look at prayer and its role in our faith journeys.
Adult Study Leaders: Katherine Parker, Ronda Cordill, and Yvonne Agduyeng; **Youth Study Leaders:** Myra Salapang-Duncan and Lyn Rush; **Children's Study Leaders:** Sue and Terry Raymond

Mission Education & Interpretation

Expanding the Power of Our National Mission Locally
 Pacific Northwest Conference
 United Women in Faith



United Women in Faith

Mission Today

- ☐ Make and meet a Pledge to Mission ★
- ☐ Use the Prayer Calendar to pray for people in mission and for mission work with women, children, and youth ★
- ☐ Have two or more members subscribing to *response Magazine* ★
- ☐ One or more members attend Mission u or District Mini Mission u by Zoom ★
- ☐ Two or more members attend a District, Conference, or National meeting/training event by Zoom ★
- ☐ Two or more members attend the Local Leadership Membership Training event ★
- ☐ Become a Five Star Unit by contributing to all five channels of Mission Giving: Pledge to Mission, Gift in Memory, Special Mission Recognition, Gift to Mission, World Thank Offering, or become a Seven Star Unit by adding: Mission Magic and Love Ribbons ★
- ☐ Make a contribution to the Legacy Fund ★



Self-denial" offering

Invite a District or Conference officer who is not part of the local unit to one or more meetings during the year.



Your unit made a contribution to the PNWUMW Conference Endowment Fund, Nome Community Center, or Good Neighbor Settlement House.



Two or more members volunteer at a community-based Foodbank, feeding program, or women's shelter.



Contribute to La Posada Cabin to be built at the Immigrant center near Brownsville, Texas



Donate material items to Nome Community Center, Atlantic Street Center, or Tacoma Community House.

Contact Information

Name: _____

Phone or email address: _____

Unit: _____

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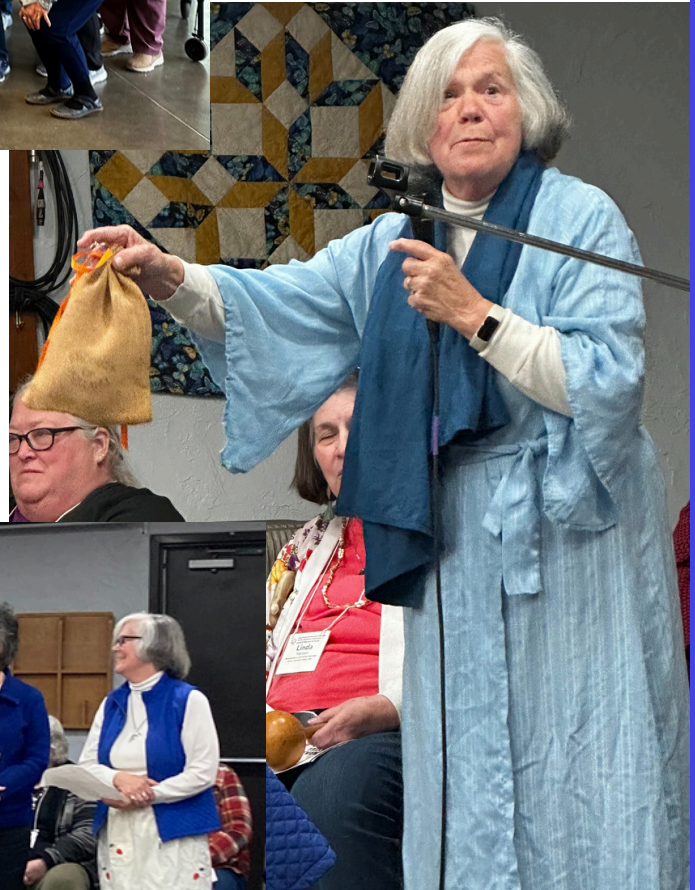
Sheree Fitzpatrick, Crest to Coast
 Education & Interpretation

Email: shereegf@gmail.com

Address: 2716 NW 118th Circle
 Vancouver, WA 98685

Photos from Leadership Development Days

Much of your district team attended the Leadership Development Days
at the Lazy F Retreat Center, April 19-21.



Reports Reminder

This is a reminder that end of year reports are due to most of your district counterparts by the end of August. District officers need to get their reports (compiled from the ones they receive from you) to their Conference counterparts early in September. Please be prompt and turn your reports in on time or EARLY.

Thank you

For the reading program, please include the following information:

- Total number of readers
- How many people reached each level with their names (for certificates) (ex: 3 people reached level 2 - Rhonda Reader, Brenda Bookish, Sarah Pleasant)
- If they don't want a certificate, or you are providing them yourself, I still need to know how many people reached each level.
- Please send your reading reports to lmilner2016@gmail.com or Lyn Milner 4513 Idaho St, Vancouver, WA 98661

For other reports, please check your directory for the contact information of your district counterpart. Send them any information that they have requested along with any additional information that you think they may need to complete their reports to go up the line.

Remember that your awards and certificates depend on accurate information in your reports getting to you district counterparts on time.

Coming to a Church Near You: Soul Care Mini Retreats

United Women in Faith Mini Retreats for district circuit clusters either with officers leading or a DIY package will be offered over the next twelve months- one in the north in the Tacoma area, one in the south at Vancouver Hts. in Dec with others by the River, Ocean and Mountain.

Topics being considered-

- Martha and Mary midrash.
- Esther and the gifts we have been given to use at a specific time.
- The three parables that Jesus used that had women characters.
- Opening Worship then small group work options -make a keepsake ornament, journaling, prayer cards, coloring/drawing
- Any church - with or without a unit of United Women of Faith can request a visit or packet.

Suggested times 10:00 - 2:00

Bring your own lunch but drinks and dessert provided.

All women welcome.

No cost as this is our gift to you.

For more information and to reserve your date, please contact:

Joan Hackett,

Membership Nurture and Outreach Coordinator

revkeithjoan@hotmail.com

360-696-1615

United Women in Faith

Our Vision

Turning Faith, Hope and Love into Action on behalf of women, children and youth around the world.

Our Mission

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.

We believe love in action can change the world

We have opportunities for membership within our local churches and individual membership “all access” to help women connect with other women around areas of justice, soul care, and spiritual growth.

We encourage you to explore the many opportunities for making a difference

Through our partnership with Faith Action Network, Legislative Advocacy events, our ongoing work addressing our Charter for Racial Justice, and our focus on justice issues such as breaking the school-to-prison pipeline, maternal health, food insecurity, climate care, and more, we continue to be challenged to ask the “hard questions” and take action individually, locally and globally.

[Spring Sharing Line](#)
[\(Conference Newsletter\)](#)

This Issue's Book

Welcome Home

by Neomi Fletcher



Welcome Home is an adult curriculum that explores how we can know God as an intimate friend who welcomes us. Abiding in God's safety and dwelling in God's provision, allows us to open our hearts to a fuller embrace of the power and presence of God so that we may find our home in God. Participants are invited to dig deeper into what it means to live in the kin-dom of God and how this helps us to develop practices for building and existing in healthier communities.

Author Neomi Fletcher leads participants through a journey in eight one-hour explorations that start with examining home and redefining what it means in light of Scripture's repeated invitations to dwell with God as individuals, community members, and persons of faith.

The explorations lead participants outward so that what starts with our personal homes, expands to welcoming others to join us in our work as co-creators to establish God's kin-dom on earth. The sessions include Scripture explorations, discussions, activities to apply what is being learned, and two intergenerational sessions.

Fletcher has a passion for social justice and works to advocate for young people. She is pastor of Haven Chapel UMC in Denison, Texas, and an early childhood policy advocate for Children at Risk.

Upcoming Events

July 26-27 - Mission u

Wesley UMC, Yakima, WA

Sept. 20 - Crest to Coast Missional District Annual Meeting

Tacoma Community House, Tacoma, WA

Oct. 18-19 - Conference United Women in Faith Annual Meeting

Spokane Valley UMC, Spokane, WA