



UMW News

For United Methodist Women of Church Street UMC

July 2010

UMW Annual Potluck Picnic: Tuesday, July 13

6:30 pm in Parish Hall / Featuring Rev. Charles Maynard

Bring your spouse and children, or a friend, along with a covered dish to this casual, lighthearted, fun-filled event. Our clergy and their families are also invited.

[Note: **If childcare is needed**, please call 521-0290 prior to July 6th. Leave a message that includes your name, phone number, age(s) and number of children. If you need to cancel childcare, please give 24 hour notice.]



• Special Guest

Our special guest speaker will be Rev. Charles Maynard, Development Director for Holston

Conference's Camp and Retreat Ministries. Charles is an author and storyteller who will bring an "Appalachian Quilt of Stories" for the program at our picnic. He has served churches in the Holston Conference for 20 years, worked as the first executive director of *Friends of the Smokies*, and has authored 29 books and numerous magazine articles.

• Offering

An offering will be taken to defray the cost of beverages and paper products for the event. All monies above these costs will be designated for the Jubilee Project, the Holston Conference UMW 2010 hands-on mission project.

2010 Holston Conference UMW Hands-on Mission Project

An offering taken at the July Picnic will be sent to the Conference UMW as Church Street UMW's contribution to the Jubilee Project.

United Methodist Church members began Jubilee Project in 1991 to help people in Hancock County TN and nearby counties in the East Tennessee mountains near Virginia. The area has the lowest income in Tennessee, less than half the national average.

Please plan to give generously.

Thinking about joining UMW?

Become a part of Church Street's United Methodist Women. There is a place for you in one of our Circles! For all the details, please call Dawn at 690-3944!



Church Street to host Social Action Workshop Saturday, August 21

As a part of UMW's ongoing commitment to racial justice, civil and human rights, this year's issue is **Immigration** with the theme *A Soul Has No Color*.

Speakers include Rev. Mike Freely, Rev. Tony Collins and Rev. James Dougherty. Additional details and registration information is forthcoming.

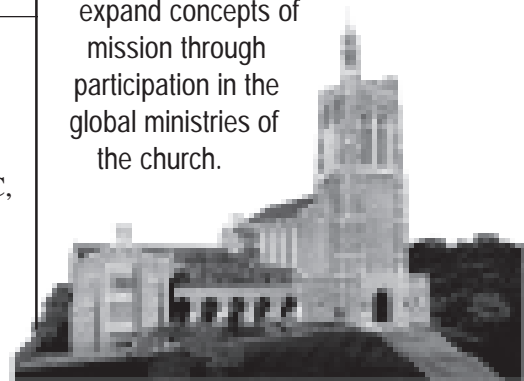
For your information: Mitzi Sadler-Thorne, Conference Mission Coordinator for Social Action, is a member of Narrows, Virginia First UMC where our own, Rev. Chris Brown, is pastor.

Upcoming Events

- July 6 – Executive Board Meeting
- July 13 – UMW Potluck Picnic, Parish Hall
- July 22-24 – Holston Conference School of Mission, Colonial Heights UMC, Kingsport, TN
- August 21 – Holston Conference Social Action Event, Church Street UMC
- September - Regular Circle meetings resume / Lakeshore cakes due / Offering designated for Jubilee Project
- Sept. 18-19 – Holston Conference UMW Annual Meeting, Lake Junaluska
- Oct. 30 – Modeling for Missions, Parish Hall

The Purpose of United Methodist Women

The organized unit of United Methodist Women 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.



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School of Christian Mission

July 22-24 - Colonial Heights UMC, Kingsport, TN

• **Spiritual Growth** – Study leaders: Rev. A. Clark Jenkins or Rev. Joel Campbell
*For the Love of God: John's Letters....*An in-depth analysis of John's Letters, the study seeks to answer key questions such as *Who wrote the letters?*, *To whom were they written originally?* and *What do these letters mean to us today?*

• **Social Issue** – Study leaders: Rev. Nancy Hobbs or Rev. Randy Frye

*Mission and Evangelism....*Invites us to look at why we are we involved in mission and how we proclaim the Good News in Jesus Christ. What are the Biblical mandates for mission? Does Christ call each of us to be His evangelist?

• **Geographic** – Study leaders: Lori Sluder and Rev. Mike Sluder
*The Beauty and Courage of Sudan....*Explores an overview of history that began in Biblical times, the country's main ethnicities, religions and languages; the way Sudanese women are contributing to the peace process and culture as a whole and more.

• **Children's Mission Study** – Study leader: Marsheine McClurg
*Hugging the World: Faith, Hope, Love in Action....*Through the global adventures of five children this study helps children understand mutuality in mission - where people from every continent join together to embrace the world with God's love while celebrating individual differences and commonalities. For ages 3-6.

Note: Pastors and lay speakers can earn 1.5 CEU's and/or Certified Lay Speaker Credit for attendance at SCOM.

Registration forms, study descriptions and study leader bios are in the UMW mailbox. Register early!

Three Months Reading Left

It's not too late to begin the UMW Reading program. Only four books (one from each category) are needed to complete Plan I. Check out an UMW selection from the church library. Take a book on vacation. Make us look good at the UMW Annual Meeting in September! Get reading!



Colored pencil collection continues

There are 900 children who attend the Nun's School where the Richards expect to install the next water filtration system in Haiti.

To help teach the children to keep their new water source clean and safe, education materials are being developed. We want to help! Continue to bring colored pencils (no Crayons please) and/or pencil sharpeners (Dollar Tree is a good source) to the church office.

In Memoriam



- Helen Cooper
- Virginia Hubbell
- Helen Sharp
- Katie Sherrod



UMW Mission Giving

Each January we are asked in our individual Circles to make a pledge to Mission Giving. This money is sent quarterly by our Treasurer to the Knoxville District which in turns sends it to the Women's Division of Global Ministries of the church. These monies are used to support mission projects as well as personnel and programs that impact women, youth and children around the world, across the nation and in our own back yard. For instance this year, some of our giving is coming back to Wesley House here in Knoxville to pay for much needed renovation of their bathrooms.

The Conference UMW Finance Committee is asking that we consider increasing our pledges this year by 10%. This means if your initial pledge was \$50 dollars, your additional 10 % would be \$5.00 for a total of \$55.00 for this year. Please prayerfully consider if you can make this increase.

For a detailed overview of where our Mission Giving funds are going, take a look at the UMW bulletin board in the kitchen hallway. We are supporting good work in many, many places. Our Church Street UMW budget can be found on page 16 of your yearbook.

Tablescapes Report

\$12,000 was raised for Wesley House at the Tablescapes event held on May 8th.

Wedding



Congratulations!

Congratulations to Chelse Marie Nieri and Scott Andrew Stevens who were married at Church Street on June 26. Chelse is a member of Circle #11, Mary & Martha. Best wishes from UMW!

Correction

Members of Circle 4 have purchased \$85 in First Aid supplies for Wesley House. The previous newsletter credited another Circle with this hands-on local project. Thanks, Circle 4!