**Columbia District**

**Local Unit Officer Training**

Theme

Faith, Hope and Love in Action

Saturday, January 13, 2024

10:00 AM

4000 Hard Scrabble Road

Columbia, South Carolina 29223

**The Purpose of United Women in Faith**

**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.**

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**Our Mission**

We seek 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.

**Our Vision**

We are a powerful, fearless force driven by God’s love and united in sisterhood. With a focus on women, children and youth, we act for justice and transform communities.

We face the realities we see in the world, even when they are not the ones we would like to see. However, our goal is not to bear witness simply to harms but also to God’s love by acting boldly to change those harms.

**Our Action**

Bold action, like faith, takes courage. Our bravery is inspired by God’s love and our powerful commitment to improve the lives of women, children and youth. United Women in Faith works for justice through compassionate service and advocacy to change unfair policies and systems that harm women, children and youth—from racial and gender injustice to economic inequality, climate issues and more. 3

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Scripture Reference

“And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.”

1 Corinthians 13:13 NKJV

8:45 AM

Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:45 AM

Musical Prelude/Community Gathering

Video

YouTube: United Women in Faith, March 4, 2022

10:00 - 10:45 AM Morning Plenary

Welcome & Announcements Debra Schooler, President

Columbia District United Women in Faith

Greetings Rev. Antoinette Gaboton-Moss

Pastor, Northeast UMC

Sylvia Cousin

President, Northeast UMC United Women in Faith

Devotion/Inspirational Message Sandra Love, Spiritual Growth Coordinator

Columbia District United Women in Faith

Special Music *“How Great Is Our God”* Walker Rosier

Pianist

Love Offering Tiffany Phillips, Treasurer

Columbia District United Women in Faith

Doxology, 95 *“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”*

Litany on Leadership Carrie Murray, Vice President

Columbia District United Women in Faith

Prayer for Leaders Vilma Cobb, Chair of Nominations

Columbia District United Women in Faith

Congregational Hymn, 593 *“Here I Am, Lord”* Northeast UMC/Audience

Closing Remarks Carrie Murray

Vice President, Columbia District United Women in Faith

Instructions for Workshops Sylvia Cousin

President, Northeast UMC United Women in Faith

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**Litany on Leadership**

**Leader** United Women in Faith is a faith-based organization driven by God’s love and united in sisterhood.

**People** We offer opportunities for women to participation in spiritual nurturing, fellowship,and soul-care events that will **inspire** them to deepen their spiritual awareness and to enrich their personal lives.

**Leader** United Women in Faith is a group of believers who are bound together by our common loyalty to Christ. Our fellowship crosses racial, cultural, gender and other artificial boundaries to find its basis in Christ alone

**People** We understand that “Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere… Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly” (Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.). We **influence** change when we show up, stand up and speak up on behalf of women, children, and youth.

**Leader** United Women in Faith is deeply committed to the ongoing work of racial justice. We strive to be in right relationship with one another; we work together for the transformation of church and world, following the teaching and example of Jesus Christ.

**People** We put our diverse talents, creative ideas and abundance of energy to work as we engage in Acts of Faith; Acts of Hope; Acts of Love to **impact** meaningful change in laws, policies, structures and practices of both church and state to insure Racial Justice and Equity for all of God’s people.

**All** 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.

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**Workshops**

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

**Officer Facilitator Location**

President, Circle Leader & Cluster Leader

Debra Schooler Sanctuary

Vice President Carrie R. Murray Education Building, Room 212

Secretary

Communications Coordinator

Diann Selph

Sharee Washington

Education Building, Room 214

Education Building, Room 214

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| Treasurer | Tiffany Phillips | Education Building, Room 216 |
| Spiritual Growth Coordinator | Sandra Love | Education Building, Room 215 |
| Social Action Coordinator | Lexie Chatham | Education Building, Room 207 |
| Education & Interpretation  Coordinator | Rhonda Washington | Education Building, Room 207 |

Membership Nurture & Outreach

Coordinator

Connie Branham Education Building, Room 205

Program Resource Manager

Historian/Archivist

Mary Nell Trussell

Pat Hoesly

Library

Library

Committee on Nominations Stella Chisholm

Vilma Cobb

Education Building, Room 208

**Facilitators Sharing the Same Breakout Room** President, Circle Leader & Cluster Leader Secretary & Communications Coordinator

Social Action & Education and Interpretation Coordinators

Program Resource Manager & Historian/Archivist

**Note:** Executive Committee Members will meet immediately after the training sessions.

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Thank You So Much

Columbia District United Women in Faith Executive Team

Debra Schooler, President

Northeast UMC

Rev. Antoinette Gaboton-Moss President United Women in Faith Sylvia Cousin Members Northeast UMC United Women in Faith Northeast UMC United Methodist Men

Walker Rosier, Piano Accompaniment

Dale A. Purvis, Northeast UMC Office Manager

United Women in Faith Local Unit Officers

Invited Guests

In Gratitude,

Carrie R. Murray

Vice President

Columbia District United Women in Faith

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**Columbia District UWFaith Calendar of Events 2024**

**January**

January 1 Happy New Year!

January 13 Columbia District Local Unit Officer Training

Columbia District Executive Committee

Meeting

Host: Northeast UMC

**February**

**Wallace Family Life Center Special Emphasis Month**

**March**

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| March 2 | Columbia District Day-Apart Retreat | Host: Brookland UMC |
| March 31 | **Easter - Christ Is Risen Today!** |  |

**April**

**Columbia Bethlehem Community Center Special Emphasis Month**

April 16 Columbia District Executive Committee

Meeting

Host: Francis Burns UMC

**June**

June 20 Columbia District Executive Committee

Meeting

Host: Washington Street UMC

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**September**

**Killingsworth Home Special Emphasis Month**

September 21 Columbia District 52nd UWFaith Annual

Meeting

Host: Washington Street UMC

**October**

**Bethlehem Community Center Spartanburg Special Emphasis Month**

October 15 Columbia District Executive Committee

Meeting

Host: I. D. Newman UMC

**November**

November 9 \*SCCUWFaith District Officers Training Host: Columbia District

**December**

December 25 Merry Christmas!

\*Conference Event

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**Appreciation**

**Strategy Humility**

**Commitment Responsibility**

**Listening**

**Integrity**

**Leadership**

**Honest Communication**

**Values Purpose Determination**

**Passion Principles**

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