

A Message from the President

Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.

1 Corinthians 12, NIV

Dear sisters in Christ,

Well, summer 2026 is almost at a close as we look forward to my favorite time of the year — Fall!!

One important correction I wanted to bring to your attention is **United Women in Faith Sunday** has been moved from September 13 to **October 11!** I don't know about you, but I am done with lazy summer and am looking forward to doing the work of the Lord again this year!

UWF Sunday kicks off by highlighting who we are and what we do. As women who are empowered by faith in God, Church of the Saviour United Women in Faith inspires people of all ages to **join and serve the needs of our church, our community, and the world.**

If you are looking to get together with other women for fellowship or hoping to make a difference in someone's life through mission work, you should check out the following United Women in Faith small groups. See page 2 for details of their September meetings:

- **Hannah Group**—Led by Pam Senefeld meets the third Tuesday of the month, and they serve at places like Matthew 25 ministries, Crayons to Computers, and Bethany House.
- **Susanna Wesley Women in Mission**—Led by Mary Jane Sper meets the first Monday or Tuesday evening of the month. They are the only evening small group and volunteer at New Life Furniture, make Valentine gift bags for a Nursing home and craft bags for Ronald McDonald House, and make lasagna and cookies for State Ave UMC.

- **Esther Laird Friendship Group** meets at Twin Lakes on the 3rd Tuesday of the month and does mission work, provides crafts and goods for Church of the Saviour and the youth program.
- **Lydia Needlecrafters**—Do you love to knit or crochet? Then this is the group for you! They meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday (5:30 pm) in the church parlor. Led by Pam Senefeld they make prayer shawls/squares for our sick and those needing support in our congregation plus the members report they “love” the fellowship time together!
- **UWF Wednesday Bible Study** on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month by Zoom (7:00 pm) and is led by Leah Hondorf.
- **Moms & Kids**—Great program for moms with children looking to meet other moms and kids in the church. They plan mission work, build Gingerbread houses, and do all sorts of exciting and meaningful things throughout the year! Led by Kristine Kahl.
- **Children's Closet Ministry** collects requested items for Wesley Chapel Mission Center and other organizations that we support to help underprivileged kids in Over the Rhine and our local community!

Also, if you are feeling really energetic, think about joining the UWF board! We always need additional hands and would love to have new faces! We meet the first Monday of the month by Zoom and in person 4 times a year at the church!

We look forward to seeing you on October 11th dear Sisters for UWF Sunday!

Ginny Kindberg, President (gkindberg831@gmail.com)

The next UWF Board meeting is on Monday, 8/31 (10 am-noon) in person in Room 119 at church. All are welcome to attend. If you have any questions or need more details, contact Ginny Kindberg (513-225-5123).

SMALL GROUP MEETINGS FOR SEPTEMBER

Everyone is welcome at any of our monthly gatherings. Contact the leader to be sure you have all the details.

First MONDAY or TUESDAY: Susanna Wesley Women in Mission | Leader: Mary Jane Sper (513-476-7250 or mjsper@gmail.com)

Tuesday, September 8 (7:00 pm). Meet in the Youth Room. The monthly mission project will support Ronald McDonald House. Learn about the mission and fill craft bags (30) for the children staying there. Signup below to donate money to purchase supplies for the craft bags and restaurant gift cards for the UWF Silent Auction "Travel the World" gift basket that the group is sponsoring.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4EAEA72AA2FBCF8-64579134-ronald>

If you have questions or want to be on the email list, contact Mary Jane Sper.

TUESDAY: Esther Laird Friendship Group (3rd Tuesday of each month—1:00 pm) | Leader: Leah Hondorf (lhondorf@yahoo.com/ 513-304-5224)

Location: Chapel at Twin Lakes Retirement Community

Tuesday, September 15 (1:00 pm): They'll meet in the chapel at Twin Lakes where Pastor Marcus will lead in prayer and communion. They will then work on a mission project to bless all the staff members of Church of the Saviour. All ladies are welcome! Please come and join this fun group!

TUESDAY: 3rd Tuesday Morning Hannah | Contact: Pam Senefeld (513-314-5042)

Tuesday, September 15 (10:00 am) in the church parlor. Hannah Group will have a potluck brunch as well as share any good books they've read and can recommend. Contact Pam Senefeld by text or phone call to RSVP and let her know what you want to bring. Join them for a good time to kick off the fall season!

This
Month's
Meetings

Last
Month's
Activities

Esther Laird ladies made back to Sunday school gift bags in August.



WEDNESDAY: UWF Bible Study (1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the Month—7:00 pm) on Zoom | Leader: Leah Hondorf (513-304-5224)

Wednesday, September 2 (7:00-8:30 pm): The UWF Wednesday evening Bible study will begin a new study— *As For Me: Life Through the Lens of the Psalms* by Adrienne Camp. Contact Leah Hondorf if you are interested in joining the online class.

WEDNESDAY: Lydia Needlecrafters (1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month) 5:30 pm in the church parlor | Leader: Pam Senefeld (513-314-5042)

Wednesday, September 2 and 16 (5:30-7:00 pm): Lydia Needlecrafters will gather in September for our usual chitchat, prayer, and knit. They welcome new members with open arms! And they have yarn and needles to spare. In October, they will collect scarves to donate to Matthew 25 Ministries' Appalachian outreach. So, get busy with those needles. If you want a prayer shawl, prayer squares, or a baby blanket, contact Bonnie Nesbitt (bonniepnesbitt@gmail.com), Carrie Feldmeyer in the church office or Pam Seinfeld.

SATURDAY: Moms & Kids Small Group | Leader: Kristine Kahl (Kristine.f.guevara@sbcglobal.net)

Saturday, September 12 (2:30-4:30 pm): Mom & Kids are assembling sack lunches for St. Francis Seraph's Bag Lunch Program, which distributes the lunches directly to those in need and in partnership with local nonprofits for their impoverished clients. Afterwards, we'll celebrate the kickoff to this year's service season with ice cream sundaes! RSVP and signup to bring sack lunch supplies here: <https://tinyurl.com/4je9ukdr>



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!! United Women in Faith's SILENT AUCTION will take place on **Sunday, November 1 (9:00-11:00 am)**. This much-loved event is a wonderful opportunity to share your time, talent, or treasure.

Donations might include:

- help with leaf raking, yard clean-up, or light cleaning
- handmade items from quilters, painters, cooks, or other creative members
- treasures such as gift cards, game tickets, vacation packages, or themed gift baskets

Every donation helps make the auction a success and supports UWF mission work. If you have questions, call or text Karalyn Voorhorst (574-453-7100).

Use this link to donate your item(s): [2026 Silent Auction Donation Form](#)

**We believe love in action
can change the world.**

Be part of the annual **Wesley Chapel Mission Center Breakfast of Light**. You can attend, volunteer, and give generously to our mission partner organization in Over-the-Rhine.

Friday, 9/25/2026 (8:00-9:00 am)

St. Paul Community United Methodist Church (Madeira)

Contact Pam Senefeld (513-314-5042) if you are interested in more information.



The Children's Closet supports Bethany House in SEPTEMBER

Our Children's Closet, located in the colorful cabinet across the hall from the church office, is currently collecting new bathroom items for Bethany House (www.bethanyhouseservices.org).

In addition to offering an emergency shelter primarily for women and children, this faith-based organization empowers homeless and at-risk families to achieve housing stability and long-term self-sufficiency.

Please consider donating new items for a bathroom kit that will be sent home with residents when they leave:

- shower curtains, liners, and rings
- bath towels, wash cloths, and hand towels
- toilet brushes
- trash cans

Cash donations will be gladly accepted and will be used to purchase these items. Our goal is to donate 5 complete bathroom kits!

The Church of the Saviour United Women in Faith thanks you for your generosity. Questions can be directed to Children's Closet Coordinators Regan Murray Mitchell (reganmurray@hotmail.com) and Terri Anderson (pancat2@yahoo.com).



BETHANY
house services



United Women in Faith Social Justice

from Karen VanWagenen (513-325-2849), Social Justice Coordinator

JUST ENERGY FOR ALL

We have a moral responsibility as a nation, and a sacred task as people of faith, to care for our climate and the climate resiliency of our communities and to leave a safe and thriving world for future generations. That's why we need more legislation advancing climate justice that will deliver protection and justice for impacted communities, jobs, climate action, and clean energy.

TAKE ACTION NOW!

Click on the link below to contact your elected leaders to advance climate justice!

<https://win.newmode.net/unitedwomeninfaith/legislationforclimatejustice>

Join United Women in Faith and urge Congress to pass legislation that prioritizes climate justice that will deliver protections and justice for impacted communities, jobs, climate action, and clean energy. To curb the climate crisis, we need to prioritize a just transition to clean energy and move away from fossil fuel dependency.

Support United Women in Faith Missions

Pre-order a delicious Pie Peddler pie for Thanksgiving for just \$20! Look for online and in-person ordering details starting in October. Pie pickup will be on November 21 and 22.



RENAME The Rummage Sale

Would you like to join a group to rename the rummage sale for 2027? We are excited to rebrand the Rummage Sale to attract new customers. We are also recruiting team members for the June 5, 2027, sale.

We already have some people committed to help. Contact Beth Johnson (bethatjohnson@gmail.com) or Pam Senefeld (maxmuir1@aol.com) if you are interested in the renaming or preparing for another awesome sale!

United Women in Faith Membership, Nurture, and Outreach

from Pam Senefeld (513-314-5042), Chair of
Membership, Nurture, and Outreach

Did you know...

The first official meeting of a woman's
organization at Church of the Saviour was held
on February 25, 1958?

It was then called the Women's Society of
Christian Service. Eighteen women gathered
with the United Methodist Women's District
officers to become an official unit.

Now we are called United Women in Faith, and
there are 204 members at Church of the
Saviour as of December 1, 2025. We continue
to actively serve women, children, and
youth for over 68 years!

That is something to be proud of.



Stay Inspired

"Dear God, we thank you for the
opportunity of a new day. We ask that
this day will bring with it peace, joy,
and clarity. That each step we take
will bring us closer to you."

—Elizabeth Yambasu, Global
Mission Fellow

United Women in Faith Spiritual Growth

ANNOUNCES Its Spiritual Growth Fall Book ...

Book Group Discussion: Thursday, October 22 (7:00 pm) in
the church Library. Consider reading the following book this
fall and join us for a UWF discussion. All are welcome!

The Days of Elijah by John Noble

Elijah's friends are dead, and without a miracle, he's next.

When the soldiers of Queen Jezebel burn Elijah's school and
massacre his teachers, he escapes, but only barely. He finds
himself on the run and hunted as Queen Jezebel attempts to
stamp out the worship of the Hebrew God in Israel and
replace it with the worship of Ba'al.

As the queen's soldiers
close in on him, Elijah
discovers a little-known
promise in the Scroll of
Deuteronomy and prays
for something impossible
– that God would turn
the skies to bronze and
stop the rain on the
kingdom that has
abandoned Him.

And God says yes.

As drought and famine
grip the cloudless land of
Israel, God tells Elijah to
hide and sends him to the
land of Tyre, to a widow
and her son who are on the edge of starvation. In Tyre Elijah
finds a darkness at the heart of the city, a darkness that
threatens to consume Israel next. But even if he survives, will
Israel listen to his warning?

This is a re-imagining of the story of Elijah from the Bible.

Contact Mary Jane Sper (mjsper@gmail.com/513-476-7250)
to save your space in this book discussion or if you have
questions.)

