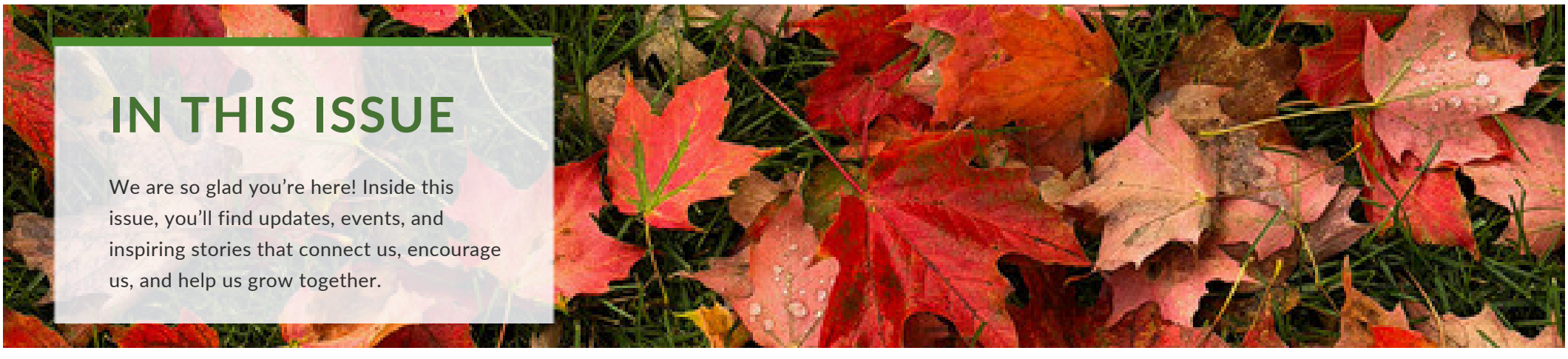
United Women in Faith

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

UPDATE

OCTOBER 2026



IN THIS ISSUE

We are so glad you're here! Inside this issue, you'll find updates, events, and inspiring stories that connect us, encourage us, and help us grow together.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

A message from our President



For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.

JEREMIAH 29:11

October – Let the Mischief Begin!

October is here, and United Women in Faith is back in full swing. We've had a whole month to get organized, so naturally . . . we're adding more things to our calendars! We've all ready had a very successful Trinkets and Treasures, held our kickoff and welcomed new members.

That's what UWF women do. We plan. We serve. We volunteer. We have meetings about the meetings. And somewhere along the way, somebody says, "I have an idea!" Those four little words have gotten us into more projects than we care to admit! And if someone asks, "Can anybody help with just one little thing?" – well. . . you've been warned!

But would we have it any other way?

October is the perfect time to stir up a little good-natured mischief. Sit in somebody else's chair. Volunteer your friend for something. Sneak an extra cookie. Laugh a little too loudly. And when someone asks who started all this trouble, just smile sweetly and say, "I have no idea."

Because underneath all the fun is what makes UWF so special – women coming together in faith, friendship and service, caring for one another and making a difference.

So here's to October: colorful leaves, good friends, lots of laughter and just enough mischief to keep things interesting. So put on your favorite sweater, grab your pumpkin-spiced whatever, and hang on. UWF is just getting warmed up!

After all nobody ever said women of faith had to be boring!

With gratitude,

Steff Mabe

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WHAT DOES UWF DO WITH ALL THE MONEY WE RAISE?

Many wonder what we do with all the funds we raise. Approximately 50% of the money comes from Pledges. The other 50% is from our fundraisers- Dessert Extravaganza, Trinkets and Treasures, Pecan Sale and The Arts and Crafts Marketplace.



Each year as a board, we decide which **Missions** we are going to support. For 2026, it was Brightwood Community Center, Fletcher Place, East 10th Street Community and Youth Center, Indiana United Methodist Children's Home, Abundant Harvest Vida Nueva Church, Hamilton County Kids Coats, Operation Classroom, Hope Center indy, Family Promise Aftercare Program, Heart and Soul Free Clinic, Use what you've Got Prison Ministry, Changing Footsteps and Lucille Raines Residence General Fund. This is over $10,000 dollars each year. That is on top of money given for St Mark's church, the Youth group, MOPS, 3rd grade bible.

These are things that St Mark's UWF board feels that falls within our Missions of helping women, youth and children. We do not have a say in what the Conference determines as our Pledge for district. This year it was $20 per member. This was broken down as $17 for LRR, $2 Mission U and $1 Young Adult Scholarship. We have been advised that for 2026-2027 this amount will increase to $25 per member.

The main reason for this increase is that the Lucille Raines Residence which is a facility owned and operated by the United Women in Faith of Indiana not the National Organization. Located in downtown Indianapolis, LRR has been in operation since 1977. It houses up to 49 individuals, recovering from alcohol and drug addiction. The reality is that donations are down and the building is getting older. Hopefully, this helps you understand where your pledges and donations funds go.

IT'S TIME TO GO NUTS



The PECAN season is upon us! Our new pecan sale mascot, Nibbles, is here to remind you to turn in your pre-orders by **October 18th.** Forms available at the UWF meetings, in the office or at a table in the Narthex and need to be turned in to either members of the Nut Committee or the church office. Pecans will be sold before and after church services from the beginning of November (if crop is on time) until we are SOLD OUT.

Cost: $15 Halves and Pieces
$17 Milk Chocolate, Dark Chocolate, Cinnamon Glazed,
Pralines and Chocolate Pecan Clusters
All proceeds go to Missions.

Any nutty questions about this fundraiser for Missions can be directed to:
Head Nut Linda Mitchell-Powell 317-460-7831
Ann Baker 812-480-6864
Peggy Hoy 317-850-3132
Jackie Mock 317-517-693
Susan Salter 317-408-4681
Doreen Velde 317-965-8280

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UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH READING PROGRAM



The National Reading Program discussion group will meet in the St. Mark's library on October 26 for the last discussion of the 2026 year. We will be sharing books from the Spiritual Growth area.

The St. Mark's library has several books in this category on the library's rolling shelf. Some are: *What is God Like?* by Matthew Turner, *We Go On: Finding Purpose in All of Life's Sorrows and Joys* by John Onwuchikwa, and *Women of the Bible Speak: The Wisdom of 16 Women and their Lessons for Today* by Shannon Bream. You may also find some selections from this category at your local library. Contact Kathy for a complete list. Participants read a book from this category but not necessarily the same book. Select one that appeals to you.

Helpful links

✦ National Website for more information re the Reading Program
https://uwfaith.org/resources/reading-program/

✦ FYI The response magazine and the Faith Talks are also part of the Reading Program.

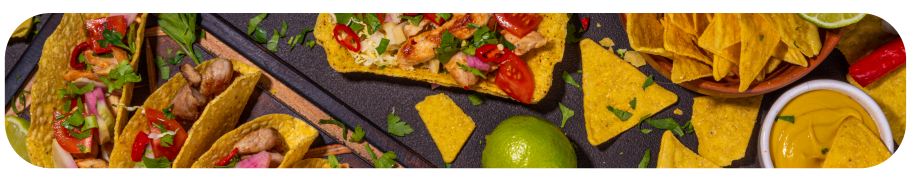
✦ The Faith Talks, response podcast, and Voices From the Field Webinar can be found at:
https://uwfaith.org/resources/podcasts/

Future 2026 discussion dates are:
✦ **October 26, 2026**- SG * Spiritual Growth
For more information on the National Reading Program do not hesitate to contact Kathy at jkdeakyne@gmail.com

YOUTH GROUP DINNER

UWF is feeding the youth group again! This time we are doing a taco bar. Please sign up for food and if you are able to, sign up to help to set up and clean up and eat with them!

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094BA9A722A13-65565806-uwfoctober#/



Morning Meeting Goodies

Each month a different interest group brings snacks to share. Signup sheets will be available and distributed by the hospitality team.

- **October**: Helping Hands
- **November**: Bookworms
- **December**:Christmas event (all members)
- **January**: Cultural & Life Insights
- **February**: Spiritual Growth
- **March**: Helping Hands
- **April**: Bookworms
- **May**: Spring Event (all members)



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CALLING ALL BAKERS & CANDY MAKERS!

Please consider donating your homemade baked goods or candies for the **November 7th Arts & Crafts Marketplace** bake sale table. Items can be left on the cart by the church office on Friday, November 6th from 9AM-noon and in Wesley Hall from 5 PM-7PM. Please label items and note if they contain nuts. Items should be individually wrapped or in small amounts (e.g. 6 pretzel rods, 6 cookies, etc.). Decoratively wrapped treats for the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays are especially appreciated. Thank you!



RIBBONS OF HOPE

A supply of Ribbons of Hope Bags are made and just waiting for the inspirational crafts, cards of encouragement, fun items that show love and bring a smile, AND the additional items you share to make each bag very special. There are even a few bags made to be shared with men.

Your thoughtful gift items, the individually wrapped granola bars, the cookies, and candies, plus packets of hot coco have always been a treat.

Lip balm, small containers of lotion, Kleenex packets, any and all donated items will be used and greatly appreciated. Craft supplies to prepare the bags, ribbons, floral arrangements, tissues paper, blank cards, thinking of you & encouragement cards, buttons, paper doilies, any item you can think of will be used and put into a created bag. Donated items can be placed in the UWF plastic bin on the bottom shelf at the main church entryway.

Thank you for your support and the variety of continued supplies and donations to keep this such an active outreach for St. Marks UWF.

MNO VERSE

In the midst of uncertainty, when we do not know which path to take; during the seasons of our life when the seas are stormy, and Jesus appears to be sleeping in the boat; in times of darkness, when grief has a stronghold on our heart, there can be the temptation to doubt God's goodness and love. Suffering, it seems, has the power to draw people more fully to God or to make individuals question His very existence. When we find ourselves in these situations return to the words found in the book of Jeremiah:

"For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope"

(Jeremiah 29:11).

May this verse anchor you if ever you begin to doubt God's goodness or presence.



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EXTRAS FROM TRINKETS AND TREASURES

Extras from Trinkets and TreasuresEver wonder what happens to all the extras from our Trinkets and Treasures sale?

The majority of it goes to Goodwill, Salvation Army, Wheeler Mission or other thrift stores. BUT before that happens:

- blankets, towels and facecloths are pulled for the Hamilton County Humane Society. Leslie Simich takes them there.
- vases are donated to Random Acts of Flowers who take funeral flowers and make arrangements for senior facilities and hospitals.Steff makes sure the vases get to them.
- Crutches, walkers, wheelchairs are saved for Amy Adams, our Mission Coordinator to go to Midwest Missions.
- Baskets are taken by Adele for Altrusa International. This is a service organization that supports literacy in the schools. They use the baskets for their fundraising Silent Auctions with proceeds going to Teachers Treasures.
- Ilene, who is one of our Troop #120 leaders, takes extra jewellry. This goes to her college roommate Shirley who has made it her mission to make up 200 boxes for Operation Christmas each year. A piece of jewelry is placed in every box so the child has something to give to his mother or grandmother at Christmas.

Because you gave, St Mark's UWF gives. Plus we made $8,300 for Missions.

UWF FALL KICK-OFF

We had a nice turnout for our **UWF Fall Kick-Off** recently. A total of 65 ladies were in attendance of which 56 were active members, 2 were new, 6 were supportive members and 1 guest.

It was expecially nice to see our newest members join in on the fun, food and fellowship! Taking just a moment to check in helps us keep our attendance records accurate and makes sure we don't miss counting anyone who is with us.

Thank you for helping us with this small but important part of our UWF meetings! A special **Thank You to Becky Mills** for sharing her mother's hand-crocheted tablecloth to help decorate the Sign-In table.



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NEXT MEETING



"St. Mark's United Women in Faith" monthly gatherings take place on the **second** Tuesday, September through May.

Morning Meetings: 9:30-11:30 Evening Meetings: 7-9

Childcare is provided for morning meetings. Register for childcare using the childcare sign up genius page (found on the UWF_site) by Thursday prior to the meeting.

STAY CONNECTED WITH ST. MARK'S UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH ONLINE

Want to stay up to date on everything happening with United Women in Faith at St. Mark's? We invite you to visit UWF webpage at St. Mark's UWF Page to learn more about upcoming activities, service opportunities, special events, and ways to get involved.

Also, be sure to download the new St. Mark's app! The app is a convenient way to stay connected to church news, events, worship resources, and ministry updates wherever you are. You'll find easy access to announcements, calendars, giving options, and much more, all from your mobile device. Y ou can download the app here: https://get.theapp.co/3hyd

Even more exciting, additional UWF content will be added to the app as more members begin using it. Your participation helps us continue to grow and improve the digital resources available to our United Women in Faith community. By using the app and sharing your feedback, you'll help shape future features and content that make connecting, learning, and serving even easier.
Whether you're a longtime member or just getting acquainted with UWF, now is the perfect time to explore what's available online.



FACEBOOK

All women of St. Mark's UMC are invited to sign up for the closed facebook group. Search for the group UWF - St Marks Carmel on facebook and send a request to join.

NEWSLETTERS

Mission Messenger
Link found on St. Mark's UWF Website
http://www.stmarkscarmel.org/UWF

UWF Connect Newsletter
Subscribe by emailing info@uwfaith.org

Update (This Newsletter)
Share your favorite recipes, announcements, news, and stories by emailing
UWFNewsletter@StMarksCarmel.org

Conference UWF Social Action Update

For the most current information and social action needs,
email Lori Chambers

lochambers1122@gmail.com

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EVENTS

Join us! Mark your calendar and be part of what's happening.

Happy Birthday

1	Cathy Brinkman Karen Dougherty Carol Hommel Amy Schulke
2	Judy Pearlman
4	Diana Lawrence Claudia Updike
6	Janet Brown
11	Chari Griggs
15	Ann Fletcher Kathy Myer
17	Wanda Thompson
19	Mindy Davis
20	Elizabeth Melvin
29	Joan Dunn

October

SILENT RETREAT

16 FRIDAY
17 SATURDAY
18 SUNDAY

October 16–18, 2026

Sponsored by IN Conference UWFaith

St. Joseph Retreat Center, Tipton, IN
"Care for your soul with a weekend away"

Contact: Mary Etta Yoho
maryetta.yoho@gmail.com

Meal with Youth

25 SUNDAY

Meal with the Youth contact Steff Mabe for more information

November

ARTS & CRAFTS MARKETPLACE

7 SATURDAY

Arts and Crafts Marketplace in Wesley Hall

NEXT UWF MEETING

10 TUESDAY

UWF Meeting

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INTEREST GROUPS

MORNING GROUPS

BOOKWORMS

Facilitator: Gail Lee

- **October** "Remarkably Bright Creatures" Shelby Van Pelt
- **November** "Queens of Crime" Marie Benedict
- **January** "The Blackout Murders" Anna Elliot
- **February** "Small Things Like These" Claire Keegan
- **March** "Leave Only Footprints" Conor Knighton
- **April** "Dictionary of Lost Words" Pip Williams

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Facilitator: Pastor Karla

Pastor Karla will lead the Spiritual Growth Study, and the name of the book is "Wesleyan Vile-tality: Reclaiming the Heart of Methodist Identity" by Ashley Boggan. Ashley was a keynote speaker at the 2026 Assembly in Indianapolis.

The book, Wesleyan Vile-tality invites us to rediscover the bold roots of Methodism. Drawing on John Wesley's willingness to "submit to be more vile" in order to share God's love beyond traditional boundaries, Ashley Boggan explores how early Methodists became known as rule-benders, rabble-rousers, and people who welcomed those pushed aside. Through engaging stories from Methodist history, the book challenges us to consider what may have been lost as the church pursued respectability–and what it might mean to reclaim some of that original "vile-tality" today.

Pastor Karla is excited to facilitate the discussion of this book!

CULTURAL INSIGHTS

Rachelle Darabi and Mary Etta Yoho, Co-Facilitators

October – "St. Mark's Guatemala Project" presented by Amy Adams.
Learn about the amazing week our St. Mark's team had serving at Mission Guatemala.

November – "Teter Organic Farm" presented by Pastor Amber Good, Noblesville 1st UMC
Teter Farms grows and donates organic foods to help with food insecurity in Hamilton Co.

January 2027 – "Life in South Africa" presented by Andrea Muller
Come and hear St. Mark's member, Andrea Muller, talk about her beautiful homeland, South Africa.

February – "Longevity – Putting Life to your years" presented by Rachelle Darabi
We all hear a lot about longevity as people are living longer than ever before in human history. However, it's just not about adding years to your life, but life to your years. Come learn practical, everyday ways to eat well and move well so you can thrive – not just survive – in the decades ahead.

March – "World Vision Water Project" presented by Becky Bultemeier
Becky will share details about World Vision and the work they are doing to solve the global water crisis by 2030. She has been running, hiking, and fundraising for World Vision since 2018, taking on endurance events to raise money for clean water. Come and hear about her adventures across the country and overseas!

April – Offsite tour of the Palladium Center for the Performing Arts with stories about its architecture and history.

EVENING GROUPS

BOOKMARKERS

Facilitator: Deb Skinner

The book for October is "Theo of Golden" by Allen Levi.
If you don't have a chance to read it, come and enjoy the discussion.

Bookmarkers will confirm their reading list for the remainder of the year at their October meeting.

MORNING & EVENING

HELPING HANDS

Facilitators:
AM: Steff Mabe PM: Holly Moore

Our missions and educations departments will provide us with projects that need to be made or assembled for the church. We will also help assemble the Ribbons of Hope bags whenever possible. Great time to gather for fellowship with friends while doing good for others.

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DAILY PRAYER GUIDE

Daily Prayer Guide 2026 – Wayfinders Together

The world changes. Today we as individuals, families, and communities face new challenges from nature, culture, politics, science, and technology. How do we find our way? We do it together! This is a powerful truth for people of faith in the church.

The Bible is filled with creative wayfinding and wayfinders. Many stories in the Hebrew Bible recount the pilgrimages of the Israelites and their adaption to geopolitical change. The New Testament is a drama of new faith movement, centered on a Galilean preacher, positioning itself to both change the world and equip itself to cope with change. Collaboration is a strong biblical motif.

The 2020s are days of considerable worldwide change for church communities. Issues arising from the digital age challenge long-held patterns of religious practice: erratic national and international political behavior complicates the alleviation of entrenched global economic and health crises. Justice and mercy are sacrificed on the altars of greed, racism, and narrow ideologies.

The 2026 Daily Prayer Guide features accounts and photos that illustrate spiritual and social wayfinding in such a time as this. The church teaches that new ways are possible in faithfulness to God's love. This requires dependence on God's Word as a guide, openness to the Holy Spirit, and an irrepressible hope in Jesus Christ.

"Hopeful" is the one character who stays with "Christian" all the way home to the Celestial City in Paul Bunyan's classical wayfinder's epic, The Pilgrim's Progress. "Hopeful" represents reassurance in the constancy of God's grace, a love that withstands all assaults. When "Christian" encounters despair and doubt, "Hopeful" offers encouragement: "Be of good cheer, Christ makes thee whole," he offers.

"Christian" and "Hopeful" are wayfinders together. Today, when so much is changing, we work together to affirm new opportunities for ministry amid the change. We collaborate in determining what to accept or to reject and protest from the world's menu of ethical variables. Our standard is to cling to the loving and caring example of Jesus as we travel toward a saner, more compassionate world.

Christ Jesus keep us on your way as we together find our way.

	Lectionary Readings	Daily Prayer
OCT 11 TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST	Exodus 32:1-14, Matthew 22:1-14	Wesley Education Center for Children & Families, Cincinnati, Ohio
OCT 12	Exodus 32:15-35, Jude 17-25	Lucas Wandera, scholarship recipient, pursuing a BA in Social Work at Africa University, Zimbabwe
OCT 13	Exodus 33:1-6, Philippians 3:13-4:1	Indian Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, Disha project, India
OCT 14	2 Kings 17:7-20, John 6:25-35	Women's Desk of the United Methodist Church of South Congo, DRC
OCT 15	Exodus 33:7-11, 3 John 9-12	Children & Youth Scholarships, Cambodia
OCT 16	Exodus 31:1-11, 1 Peter 5:1-5	Wi'Am Community Empowerment & Conflict Transformation, Israel/Palestine
OCT 17	Exodus 39:32-43, Matthew 14:1-12	Wesley House Community Center, Knoxville, Tennessee

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Amy Purdom, Collins Prempeh, Esther Lloyd-Stevenson, Josephine P. Pablo, Juarez Goncalves, Leah Swineford, Margaret Frazier, Rachel Harvey Splaingard, Rosemarie Burgos, Stacey Atkins, Thomas Floyd Carey, Valdir Seibel

If you want your own copy of the Daily Prayer Guide, you may purchase one at: https://uwfaith.org/resources/prayerguide/

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SOCIAL ACTION
CLIMATE JUSTICE UPDATES



United Women in Faith supports partners who provide direct services to women, children, youth, and families in neighborhoods across the United States. Internationally, we partner with organizations that empower women, children, and youth through education and economic development. We advocate for a more just world — improving life for women, children, and youth everywhere through two focus areas: Climate Justice and Racial Justice.

If you want to stay informed on United Women of Faith Indiana Social Action, reach out to be included on the Indiana Conference UWFaith Social Action Messages (sent via email).

Local Opportunity Spotlight - League of Women Voters

Have you recently verified your current voting registration status? Are there friends and family members you could bring with you to vote? Do you need to take off work or secure childcare? The League of Women Voters of Hamilton County joined a recent United Methodist Men (UMM) gathering to share resources for voting and answer general questions. They provided several printed and online resources to help voters with the upcoming Election Day (November 3). For more information to make sure you are registered to vote (deadline is October 5, 2026), find out who's on your ballot, learn more about candidates and their position on issues, visit VOTE411. Even if you have voted for years, they encouraged everyone to take a few minutes to check their current voter registration this year.

Creation Justice Movement October Tips

According to research, just two hours a week in nature have a positive effect on health and psychological wellbeing—and the benefit holds regardless of age, income, or chronic illness. Build nature time into your routine and your family's. Take a 10-minute nature break, eat lunch outside, talk and walk. Love yourself and your loved ones.

Green space is critical infrastructure for health and wellbeing. And like all infrastructure, access to it isn't equally distributed. Lower-income neighborhoods consistently have less tree canopy, hotter temperatures, more pollution, and worse health outcomes. Speak up for parks and trees to be placed so that all neighbors benefit. Weave love of creation and neighbor into your worshipping community's practices through liturgy, fellowship, education, and contemplation. See to it that creation justice is not just an occasional program or a single campaign or the purview of one committee but a dimension of the congregation's shared life.

Who pays for pollution? Not the polluters! Challenge government to shift the cost back to where it belongs. As citizens and people of faith, follow Jesus' story of the persistent widow (Luke 18:1-8), who stuck to her mission and finally convinced the unjust judge. Keep bringing injustice to planet and people to the attention of the powers that be. Write letters, sign petitions, make calls.

Put your money to work for justice. When you buy organic, you guarantee more farmers can grow healthy, safe food. When you buy fair trade, you provide living wages and fight poverty. When you bank with a community bank or credit union, you are investing locally and likely not funding fossil fuel projects. Choose justice.

Persist in the "little things" you do to help the planet—recycling, composting, planting, thrifting, ride sharing, consuming less, using alternatives to plastic—and talk about what you are doing and why. People pay attention to the practices and words of people they know. You make a difference.

When something proposed is harmful, raise your voice to connect the dots for people and officials of how the results are injurious. Encourage others to listen and act. Go after change. Turn your private frustration into public pressure. Love for the next generation is the number one reason why people care about climate change. Keep in mind your children, grands, greats, and future generations as you make choices for your lifestyle and for how you spend your energy addressing the environmental and justice issues of today. Be proactive for their sake.

In the face of fast-tracked, hyperscale data centers, join the community demanding transparency, truth, time, and guardrails. Learn about the inherent creation justice issues, and raise your voice along with your neighbors'. Sing out like the canary in the coal mine.

The gifts of God—sun and wind—are free and renewable. Using them rather than continuing with fossil fuels will save our planet. A crucial benefit from the switch is less incentive to go to war over limited fossil resources. Join with others and use your power—your voice, your actions, your advocacy—to love Earth.

Source: UM Creation Justice Movement, go to umcreationjustice.org.

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SOCIAL ACTION
RACIAL JUSTICE UPDATES



Local Opportunity Spotlight - Indiana Organizing Project and Indiana AID
Last month the Indiana Organizing Project organized over 61 Public Witness Actions across Indiana (+ 2 private events = 63 actions total) to raise awareness about immigrants being held at Miami Correctional Facility. The events created 40 unique pieces of press coverage including national mentions on NPR and the Rachel Maddow Show. Several United Methodist Churches across the state hosted or collaborated in events. Mutual Aid continues to be a large need for immigrant neighbors. To learn more about opportunities to help, reach out to Indiana AID.

Interrupt the School-to-Prison Pipeline - UWFaith Campaign Overview
The Interrupt School-to-Prison Pipeline, one of UWFaith's current campaigns, has three core actions. We are committed to ensuring that all students have access to a vibrant educational experience, protected from pushout. We call for the following changes at the federal, state, and local level:

- 1. Removing school-based police (commonly called School Resource Officers or SROs) and redirecting those funds to developmentally appropriate student supports, such as counselors, transformative/restorative justice practitioners, and more.
- 2. Eliminating racial disparities in school discipline at all levels, from suspensions and expulsions to law enforcement referrals and school-based arrests.
- 3. Ending corporal punishment in schools.
- To learn more about this campaign, visit the Interrupt the School-to-Prison pages for helpful Quick Link Resources.

General Opportunities
Women and General Conference - Consider Being a Delegate
The next United Methodist General Conference takes place in May 2028. This means the majority of the U.S. annual conferences will elect their delegates in May or June of 2027. That's less than a year away. UWFaith and GCSRW have information to encourage women to get women in the room where it happens. Learn more about this opportunity!

Do No Harm Virtual Conference, November 12-14
The GCSRW (General Commission on the Status Role of Women) is hosting the Do No Harm Virtual Conference November 12 - 14. There is opportunity for both professional development and public witness. The Professional Development sessions on Thursday and Friday (November 12 & 13) will focus on institutional systems, featuring a roundtable on collaborative leadership and an opportunity to learn from international models for supporting survivors and navigating complaints. The Public Witness sessions on Saturday (November 14) will be a broader scope to a wider audience for community learning, concluding with a powerful, joint conversation between keynote speakers Rachael Denhollander and Ashley Judd.

To learn more about this virtual conference, visit here.

Looking for more information about social action opportunities or have one to share, please reach out to the UWF Board.

Sources:
- https://uwfaith.org/what-we-do/serve-and-advocate/
- umcreationjustice.org
- https://uwfaith.org/what-we-do/serve-and-advocate/just-energy-4-all/
- https://uwfaith.org/what-we-do/serve-and-advocate/mass-incarceration/interrupt-the-school-to-prison-pipeline-resources/

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UWF FAVORITE RECIPES

Zucchini Pickles

Bring to a boil

1 C vinegar (white or apple cider – or mixed)
½ C sugar
¾ tsp crushed red pepper
1 tsp mustard seeds
¾ tsp kosher salt

Until all sugar is dissolved. Then, pour over

4 C 1/8" sliced zucchini
1 C slivered sweet onion
3 thinly sliced garlic cloves

Chill for 24 hours. Enjoy!

Note: I've used this recipe with summer squash, cucumber, slivered daikon radish and carrots. I've also added dill weed. It's good with anything you want to pickle. Be creative!

Shared by
Meridith Anderson



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Hospitality Coordinator	Merideth Anderson Hallie Meyer	Shared by Group
Interest Group Facilitators		
• **Spiritual Growth**	Pastor Karla Elliott	N/A
• **Bookworms/BookMarkers**	Gail Lee	Debbie Skinner
• **Cultural and Life Insights**	Mary Etta Yoho	N/A
• **Helping Hands**	Steff Mabe	Holly Moore

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– Arts & Crafts Marketplace	Steff Mabe
– Bake Table	Ann Baker Joann Burnett
– Pecan Sales	Linda Mitchell-Powell
– UWFaith Craft Table	
– Dessert Extravaganza	
– Trinkets & Treasures	
– Candy Cane Café	

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