46th Annual Meeting
of the Anderson District
United Methodist Women

Saturday, September 22, 2018  10:00am
Registration begins at 9:00

Join with your sisters in Christ at
Saint Andrews UMC, 309 Pelzer Hwy Easley SC
Gathering as we celebrate another year of spiritual growth, learning, teaching, mission service, and more.

The mission collection this year is for Safe Harbor Women's Shelter: Their needs are Paper Towels * Toilet Paper * Cleaning Products Let’s rally around this collection project by getting the word out to all of our members & church family and bring or send donations to Annual Meeting. The collected items will be divided among the three Safe Harbor Homes throughout the upstate. Anderson - Seneca and Greenville

You never know when someone may need safe shelter. Thanks be to GOD for everyone who has a hand in assisting a woman and her children in times of great fear and danger.

Find the meeting registration form on page 6.
From the President

The year is quickly coming to an end. Our Annual Meeting will be upon us before we know it. That means all forms need to get to the proper person by the deadline date. This is very important because we want to celebrate with you your accomplishments of the year.

As this will be my last report (my tenure of 4 years is up the last of October), I want to thank everyone for the opportunity you gave me to serve as your President. Little did I know and lots did I learn. With God’s guidance and everybody else’s help I can truly say that the last four years have been one of the highlights of my life. I’ve made new friends, I’ve learned to appreciate and love everybody, I’ve learned to ask for help, and above all I’ve grown spiritually.

I want to thank each of you for your time, your gifts, and your service for youth, women, and children all over the world. Your membership, your hard work, your travel to meetings; all for the sake of missions speaks volumes of your faith.

As we venture into tomorrow, I pray that each of us will seek God’s guidance to continue putting our faith, hope and love in action.

Graciously serving, Kate

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Mark your calendars - News to know and share.

**URGENT** ★ Turn in completed forms for **2018 Annual Reports** by September 3rd or ASAP!! So that your church can be listed in the program book.

Also submit names of our Sisters who have gone to their Eternal home. Send this to Johnnie Jackson Spiritual Growth Coordinator johnniejackson2625@gmail.com

**September** ★ **Killingsworth SPECIAL MISSION EMPHASIS MONTH**
- Kairos cookies for Men’s weekend/McCormick are due to district office by September 11, 9 am.
- Register by September 12th for the Anderson District UMW 46th Annual Meeting to be held at Saint Andrews UMC EASELY SC See registration form on page 6.

**October** ★ **Bethlehem Center - Spartanburg SPECIAL MISSION EMPHASIS MONTH**
- Register by October 13 for the SC Conference UMW 46th Annual Meeting to be held at Central UMC, FLORENCE SC on October 26 & 27. See pages 9 & 10 for registration information.
- Kairos cookies for Women’s weekend/Leath are due to the district office by October 23, 9 am.

**November**
- District Executive Committee meeting - November 5th at 4:30pm -
- SCCUMW District Officer’s Training - Saturday, November 10. Registration begins at 8:30 am at GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 410 Harbison Blvd | Columbia, SC 29212
  All elected officers, mission coordinators and cluster leaders are encouraged to attend.

**December**
- Anderson District Officer’s Training - Saturday, December 2 from 9:00am - 12:00 noon.
  At St John’s Anderson.
Thank you for your continued contributions of Postage Stamps and pull tabs. Seems like such a small thing to do, but the combined efforts make for a big impact on the missions served through your participation in this collection.

I’d like to mention help with free food for VBS, Summer Programs, etc. and other help with children’s hunger needs in our community. Contact: Littlejohn Community Center 644 Old Greenville Hwy, Clemson SC 29631 Adrian Gamer, Executive Director phone 864-653-3835 This program is called TRIO.

If your church would like to highlight any missions you currently have serving children in your area please share with us. We’d like to hear what we are doing in our own communities.

Prayers and Blessings, Brenda

Education and Interpretation Brenda Davis foxclayd@yahoo.com

Each unit treasurer, or a representative should bring the form below to Annual Meeting or mail to, or contact Mary Beth by September 5th

Treasurer - Mary Beth Ellison
121 Cherokee Rd Easley SC 29642
ladymatador1@gmail.com

2018-2019 ANDERSON DISTRICT UMW PLEDGE TO MISSION

CHURCH/UNIT ________________________________
CITY _______________________________________
UNIT PRESIDENT _________________________________________
PHONE ___________ E-MAIL ________________________________
TREASURER _____________________________________________
PHONE ___________ E-MAIL ________________________________

NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN UNIT __________

PLEDGE TO MISSION
for September 2018 through August 2019

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Please accept this as my last posting for Social Action Mission Coordinator. With much prayer I am on to a new venture. Please ask around for volunteers and submit nominations to fill the position of Social Action Mission Coordinator on or before the Annual Meeting of UMW on September 22. Thank you for the pleasure and opportunity to serve.

Upcoming our annual Kairos Prison Ministries in South Carolina. We continue to support Men at McCormick Correctional Institution and the Women at Leath Correctional Institution in Greenwood SC.

- **PRAY**  Please pray for the team who will be sharing their faith with a selected group of residents.
- **WRITE LETTERS**  Please write a note of encouragement to the 42 inmates that will be involved.
- **BAKE COOKIES**  Six thousand dozen cookies are needed for each weekend.
- **DECORATE PLACEMATS and POSTERS**  It is especially meaningful when decorated by a child.
- **SPONSOR AN INMATE**  Encourage groups from your congregation to sponsor an inmate to attend.

  "I was in prison and you visited me."  Matthew 25:36

Reminders:  KAIROS weekend for Men is September 13-16, 2018. Bring cookies etc. to the district office by noon on Tuesday, September 11.

KAIROS weekend for Women is October 25-28, 2018. Bring cookies, etc. to the district office by noon on Tuesday, October 23.

Check with your UNIT leader for more details.

Safe Harbor is a shelter with the capacity to house 64 people at one time. Last year they cared for 978 Women and their children. During our 46th Annual District UMW meeting on September 22 at Saint Andrew’s UMC Easley SC we will focus on the needs of Safe Harbor. Please gather and bring donated items:

- CLEANING PRODUCTS
- PAPER TOWELS
- TOILET PAPER
- TOWEL SETS

Giving hope in a time of need.
A word From Judith Polson

Get your completed reading list to me before September 1st for the Annual Meeting. According to UMW Resources we will receive a sample of materials to purchase at our annual meeting. We will no longer pre-order materials.

Thank you to those who completed the 2017 UMW on line census! Our efforts have greatly improved, but, we must continue to encourage others to do their part as the numbers reported are not telling the entire story! There are many more members of Anderson District UMW than the 2017 results reflect! If you review the results and find your church, well done! If your church is not listed, it is because no one completed the census for your church! Census 2018 begins January 1, 2018. Please go on line and complete the Census for your unit and encourage other units as well. If you have questions please contact any District officer (all officers are listed on the front page of the newsletter you are reading)! They will guide you or get you further help! Speak up ladies! Let our voices be heard! Blessings Donna Hopkins

Visit the SCCUMW website: umcsc.org/umw

Learn information, find forms and the online editions of The Mission Echo newsletter and district newsletters.

Stay connected and learn more about your UMW and Limitless on the website and through social media.

unitedmethodistwomen.org

The NETWORK NEWS is published quarterly; in March, June, September and December. Printed copies are to be mailed to the following:

➢ the District Leadership Team members,
➢ local unit presidents, treasurers, secretaries and/or communications coordinators, circle leaders,
➢ churches where no organized UMW unit exists,
➢ and yearly subscribers.

Remaining copies [of the 215] are mailed to as many of the mission coordinators as possible.

Help keep the mailing list current by communicating with the President, Secretary, and Communications Coordinator when there are any changes to the leadership information. Especially as we begin the new UMW year.

An e-mail distribution list exists and those on that list will receive this newsletter electronically (in PDF format). Anyone may receive the newsletter via e-mail. Contact me at any time to request to be added to (or removed from) the e-mail distribution list. Other district communications are also sent via this distribution list.

Individual subscriptions (a printed copy) are available at a cost of $5 per year (4 issues) by sending a request to the District Treasurer. Include your name and address with a check made payable to: Anderson District UMW.

Contributions of articles are welcome! Submit news stories and digital photos from your local membership, unit and church activities relating to Mission in ACTION! Space permitting, they will be included in future newsletters.

Submit items for the December issue by November 16th

Send information to Eileen at adumwcc@aol.com or call 864.506-2981

SEE THE CENSUS #’S ON PAGE 7
MISSION FOCUS

Safe Harbor Women’s Shelter
Items of need: Cleaning Products *
Paper towels * Toilet Paper *
Towel Sets *

Please Bring with you to the meeting

Anderson District United Methodist Women
46th Annual Meeting
Saturday September 22, 2018 10:00 am
Saint Andrew UMC 309 Pelzer Hwy, Easley, SC 29642
Keynote Speaker: Minister Henderson

REGISTRATION FEE IS $7.00 per person: Pre-Registration deadline is September 12th
or register on site day of event between 9:00 – 9:45. Morning refreshments / NO on site lunch.

Please list all names from your church on one form and mail along with payment to:
Donna Hopkins 405 St. Paul Road | Easley, SC 29642
864-915-5872 | marcell405@bellsouth.net
It would be most appreciated, when possible, to send ONE check
for the full amount from your unit, payable to: Anderson District UMW.

Church __________________________ # registered _____ x $7 = _______

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The Committee on Nominations presents the following positions needing to be filled for the offices of the Anderson District UMW; to be voted upon at the Annual Meeting on September 22.

Two Year Term:
- President
- Vice President
- Education & Interpretation Coordinator
- Social Action Coordinator
- Chair on Nomination

Two Year Term: Need Four (4) Names to be on the Nomination Committee

While the committee seeks nominees, if you feel led to serve in this position or can recommend someone, please contact the Committee on Nominations Chair, Martha McKinney, at 864-246-3498 or by email at malemc@bellsouth.net.
OR Kate Hyder outgoing President cappyhyder@yahoo.com 864-360-7208
We will also accept nominations from the floor at Annual Meeting.

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2017 scsumw Census Report

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Thank you St John’s for hosting the Celebration and Appointment of the Rev Steve Patterson on July 29, 2018

Brothers and Sisters in Christ, as a people committed to participate in the ministries of the Church by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service and your witness, will you support and uphold Steve in these ministries?
WE WELCOME YOU. WE CELEBRATE YOUR APPOINTMENT TO THE ANDERSON DISTRICT. WE AFFIRM YOUR LEADERSHIP. WE PLEDGE TO YOU OUR SUPPORT IN OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY IN THE NAME OF JESUS.

Rev. Patterson was born in Antreville, South Carolina. He graduated from Erskine College in 1985 with Bachelor’s degrees in biology and Christian education. Rev. Patterson was ordained in 1993 following his 1991 graduation from Erskine Theological Seminary with a Master of Divinity degree. Before his appointment to Lyttleton Street UMC, Rev. Patterson served Hopewell-Lancaster, Grace-Pickens, Liberty Chapel/Friendship-Florence, Pelion/Sharon/Bethel and Bethel/Ebenezer-Anderson United Methodist churches, as well as the Francis Marion Wesley Foundation.

~ Rev. Patterson is married to Debra Deschamps Patterson. They enjoy creative writing and many outdoor actives.

In addition to Rev. Patterson’s work in local churches he has served in many ways including as a facilitator for the Forward Focus initiative, a candidacy mentor, and on district committees on District Superintendency and Congregational Development. Rev. Patterson currently serves on the Board of Ordained Ministry, the Summit on the Black Church design team, and the district committee on Ordained Ministry.
Attention all elected officers, mission coordinators and circle leaders!
Be sure to attend this informative event to learn about your leadership position from your district counterpart. We’ll grow as a community of women as we share the knowledge and experience that empower United Methodist Women to “expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.”

Anderson District invades Mission u

It wasn’t Dancing with the Stars, but Singing with the Bishop that our own Judith Polson entertained the folks at Mission u during “Fun Time”. Other ladies from Anderson District attending were Jane Hallums, Beth Addis, Kate Hyder, Jane Jowers, Kathy Ford, Johnnie Jackson, and Donna Hopkins (absent from picture).

While most of us were not brave enough to get up and sing; we all did enjoy the fellowship with old friends and the making of new ones. We participated in a time of learning about the social issues impacting our society today and a time of spiritual growth. Our Social Issue Study was What About Our Money: A Faith Perspective and our Spiritual Growth Study was Embracing Wholeness: An Earth Perspective for Covenantal Living.

Special thank you to Jane Hallums who filled in at the last minute as a facilitator and class leader. Her many years of cheerful participation and many miles of mission work has her much qualified. This years event had HIS HOLY SPIRIT all around us.

Be there next year!
46TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN
OCTOBER 26 – 27, 2018
CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 167 SOUTH IRBY STREET, FLORENCE, SC 29501

For Registration Information contact Pearl R. Brown, Registrar at (843) 382-3564 or email: prbrown2076@gmail.com

THEME: “HANDS TO WORK, HEARTS TO GOD”

Name: ____________________________________________________________ (please provide name as you wish for it to appear on name tag)
Address: ____________________________________________________________
City: ___________ Zip: ___________
Best Contact Phone number: ________________________________ District: ___________ Church: ___________
E-Mail Address: ____________________________________________________________ Dietary Restrictions: __________________________

Check all of the following that apply:

First Time __________________ Unit President __________________ District Officer __________________ Past Conference President
Under 40 ________________________ Mission Directo __________________ Missionary/Deaconess
Age 40-50 Limitless _______ Voting Delegate ________ Clergy ________
Ages ________ ___________ Nursery Needed - Number of Children/Ages ____________ __________

In case of emergency please contact
Phone: ______________________________

Will you be at Dinner on Friday night 5:30pm - 6:30pm? _______ Will you be at Lunch on Saturday? _______

Please note: Meals require a meal ticket from your registration packet.

- - - - Workshops - - - -
Please select your first (1) and second (2) choice for Friday afternoon Workshops. You will be assigned to one of your selections.

Domestic Abuse Conversation ________ Limitless Team ________ Mass Incarceration ________ Mental Health Issues ________

- - - - Registration - - - -
Friday, October 26 -
Registration: 12:30noon - 3:00pm - in the Irby Street Portico Entry of the Church
(Anyone arriving after 3pm may still register prior to Communion Service. No meal tickets will be available unless pre-registered)
Optional Pre-conference Activities and a tour of the Lighthouse Ministries will be available during registration. The Tour bus will depart from the church parking lot (Irby Street Portico) at 1:00pm and return at 2:30pm.

Session 1
3:00pm Opening Ceremonies/Bible Study - Sanctuary
4:00pm Workshops
5:30pm Dinner MEAL TICKET REQUIRED
7:00pm Five Mission Project Reps, Worship Service & Holy Communion - Sanctuary
8:15pm Afterglow and Fellowship

~ ~ Saturday, October 27 ~ ~
Registration: 8:00am - 9:00am In the Main Entry of the Church (for those attending only the Saturday sessions)

Session 2
9:00am – 10:30am General Business, Informational Moments, Memorial Service, Special Music - Sanctuary
10:45am – 12:15pm General Business continued - President’s Report, Adoption of Budget, Love Offering, Keynote Address
12:15 - 1:15 pm Lunch MEAL TICKET REQUIRED

Session 3
1:15 - 2:30 pm General Business - Election and Installation of Officers/Closing - Sanctuary

Send registration along with $30.00 fee (payable to SCCUMW) to:
Pearl R. Brown
P. O. Box 63
Cades, SC 29518
(843) 382-3564 or email: prbrown2076@gmail.com

Registration DEADLINE: October 12, 2018
Any registrations POSTMARKED AFTER: October 13, 2018 and any on-site registrations
will be $35.00
Vice President’s Mission Echo Column – June 2018 edition

The South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women’s 46th Annual Meeting at Central United Methodist Church in Florence, the Florence District will take place on October 26-27. The United Methodist Women of the Conference Program Committee, the Florence District and Central United Methodist Church are planning an exciting event. The registration form is now ready for you to complete. Please find it in this edition of the Mission Echo and on our website.

The Annual Meeting Mission Statement declares this event “a celebration of United Methodist Women in South Carolina and the total program of mission in which we are involved. The Annual Meeting provides an opportunity for members to learn more about missions, to participate in workshops, to worship and fellowship together and to conduct the necessary business of the organization as we seek to fulfill our PURPOSE.” We cordially invite you to attend. We encourage you to bring your friends and family. Y’all come!

The theme is “Hands to Work, Hearts to God”. Our keynote speaker is Rev. Meg Bryce Jiunnies, Minister of Faith Formation and Discipleship at Central United Methodist Church. Bible Study leader is Rev. Dr. Reginald Lee, Connectional Specialist Florence/Marion Districts. Come hear their motivational messages. It is always a joy to be with local leaders as they share their talents and gifts.

You will attend one workshop of your choosing on Friday afternoon. Select your first and second choice from nine great offerings.

**A Way Forward Conversation** = Learn about this important current topic, its history and present status and what it means for the United Methodist Church of tomorrow. Jackie Hicks, Social Action Mission Coordinator Conference

**Ageing Well, Retirement Planning** = Get ready for retirement with a plan. Learn about living wills, estate planning and all you should consider when planning a joyful, carefree and well earned retirement.

**Climate Justice: What does God Require?** = Climate justice focuses on transforming every person into a steward of the earth’s resources. What priorities must we as individuals, as United Methodist Women, as the Church make for climate justice to happen in our lifetime? Evelyn Fulmore, Spiritual Growth Mission Coordinator Florence District

**Domestic Abuse Conversation** = Learn about this important UMW national initiative, gain awareness and become informed to help prevent the growth of domestic abuse (Me Too Movement) within our world today.

**Limitless Team** = Plan and share ideas and strategies to increase participation of young women and youth in UMW. Gladys Lemon, Membership Nurture and Outreach Conference Mission Coordinator

**Mass Incarceration** = Learn about this important UMW national initiative. Gain understanding of the prison pipeline and recognize conditions which have caused our prison populations to increase. Senator Malloy or staff member

**Mental Health Issues** = Gain an understanding of the many forms of mental illnesses which exist today. Learn of programs and organizations, NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) working to improve this situation and treatments.

**Security and Safety in Schools and Churches** = Become educated on this growing serious concern. Gain practical knowledge how to be safe and secure in public spaces while away from home.

**What about Our Money? A Faith Response/Mission u Study** = Hear a mini version of our newest Mission u issue study. Explore how we relate to money within the context of faith. Ann Alexander, Mission u study leader

**Lighthouse Ministries, Inc** is a faith based nonprofit providing assistance to Florence County residents in financial crisis. They offer help with bills, prescription medications, travel assistance, and a variety of programs that target unique local needs. A mini tour during the registration time is offered. Transportation will be provided. Our Limitless Team is organizing a collection to support Lighthouse Ministries. Bring canned goods, diapers, wipes, travel sized hygiene products, blankets, books (especially for children)

Shop the Resource Room for all the newest materials.
Greet our five Mission Project Directors. Meet our new leader at Killingsworth. Get up to date on all our projects’ many activities.
Saturday wear a shirt with a UMW or your church logo.
Take your photo in our Memory Making Station, a fun spot to record both new friends and treasured sisters in Christ.

We look forward to this event and seeing your smiling faces, hearing your lovely voices and sharing hugs with all. **Thanks be to God!**
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The Purpose of United Methodist Women

The Purpose is adopted by the General Conference of The United Methodist Church as the official mission statement of United Methodist Women.

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.

Out of the Purpose are four mission foci that relate to the mission initiatives and priorities of United Methodist Women.
- To be a community of women
- To know God
- To develop a creative and supportive fellowship
- To expand concepts of mission

Continue to be in prayer for our 1869 Society. Gift Planning allows your legacy and Your connection to United Methodist Women to LIVE ON. Contact the United Methodist Women Development Office at 212-870-3705 to speak confidentially to a development officer about your giving options.

Or email legacy150@unitedmethodistwomen.org
You can find additional planned giving information online at umwgift.org

“GIVE WHAT YOU HAVE DECIDED IN YOUR HEART TO GIVE.... FOR GOD LOVES A CHEERFUL GIVER.” 2 Corinthians 9:7