The Purpose: 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.
Greetings From the Desk of the President
Azilee “DeeDee” Dickey

Well half the year has passed us by amidst celebrations of our 150 years, Women’s Day Programs, Ecumenical Gatherings and Ladies meetings!

I greet you in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ and pray that your summer has endless possibilities still!

We started our year on a positive note and have continued with the excellence of Women with Endless Possibilities turning Dreams into Visions and Visions into Reality.

Thanks to all who attended Legislative Day, the Day Apart on the Conference Level and especially those who attended the District Day Apart in March held at Asbury-Shiloh with a Birthday Celebration of our beginnings. Our speaker for the occasion was Deaconess Selena Smith and a powerful and uplifting message was witnessed by all.

Traveling to Lake Junaluska for our Spiritual Growth Retreat which was extended this time to two nights was another blessing where the Awesome Rev. Dr. Robin Deese was our speaker. We were proud to have our Spiritual Growth Coordinator, Dr. Evelyn Fulmore share her expertise at the event.

July we embarked to Spartanburg for Mission u. Our own Kennedi Smith led us in prayer and Courtney Wilson was our speaker for Morning Watch that Saturday morning.

I wish to send special thanks to those units who have sponsored Racial Justice events, Endless Events, Prayer Breakfasts, Meals on Wheels to sick and shut in members of not only our United Methodist Churches but to other denominational churches’ members.

We ask that you make plans now to attend our District Annual meeting at St. Paul on the second Saturday in October. Secondly, be reminded that our 47th South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women Annual Meeting will be held on October 25-26, 2019 at Buncombe Street United Methodist Church, 200 Buncombe Street, Greenville, S.C. This year our special service will be held on that Friday with the scheduling of our Keynote Speaker Harriett Jane Olsen. The registration fee is $35.00 and a listing of hotels is contained in this Flame. Ladies let’s do our best to support this worthy endeavor.

Please mark your calendars for the District Officers training on November 9, 2019 Ashland UMC in Columbia SC.

See “President” next page
Calendar of Events

September
16  Deadline For All Forms

October

Special Emphasis Month - Killingsworth.................................Columbia, SC
12  Florence District Annual Meeting - St. Paul UMC.....................Kingstree, SC
25-25 SC Conference UMW Annual Meeting - Buncombe Street UMC ....Greenville, SC

November

Special Emphasis Month - Bethlehem Community Center..........Spartanburg, SC
10  District Officer’s Training - Grace UMC ..................................Columbia, SC
14  Killingsworth Holiday Gala - Seawells.................................Columbia, SC

December

Florence District Mission Team Meeting - ........................................TBA
Merry Christmas & Happy Holidays

Continue from previous page President

This has been a year of Hopes and Dreams realized and yet as sure as we were born, Death has reared its head time and time again. If you had a loss during this past year please fill out your form and send it in that we may acknowledge during our Annual Meeting and get it listed in the Conference book.

My prayers are with you as we continue to be of service to God, our churches, our homes and our communities. Please pray for our leaders that they will continue to use the talents God has blessed them with and especially for our Conference Vice President Janice Eaddy as she continues to fill the mission of United Methodist Women.

Remember Ladies the deadline to submit all forms is September 16, 2019 and this year all forms will be mailed to me and I will distribute them during our Executive meeting. Please remember to share the Flame. My mailing address is 205 Kilpatrick Drive  Sumter, SC 29154-9719 (803)491-6699

In His Service and Yours,

Azilee
The United Methodist Women of St Paul are excited and making big plans to host the 2019 District Annual Meeting.

You are encouraged to attend.

Complete and submit all forms to the District President (Azilee Dickey).

Send to:
UMW Forms
Azilee “DeeDee” Dickey
205 Kilpatrick Drive Sumter, SC 29154-9719
Mission Today Action Form

Unit President ___________________________ Date ____________
Unit Name _______________________________ Number of members in unit ________

Units, which include all circles, must complete at least 10 of the following items.

All units must complete #1.

Your unit

___ 1. Made and met its Pledge to Mission.

___ 2. Used the Prayer Calendar at each General Membership Meeting of the unit to pray for people in mission and for our mission work with women, children and youth.

___ 3. Added at least one or more members to its roll.

___ 4. Had at least one member who subscribes to Response Magazine.

___ 5. Had at least one member (other than a conference or district officer) attend Mission u and/or a district or local mission study.

___ 6. Had at least one member (other than a conference or district officer) attend the District Annual Meeting.

___ 7. Had at least one member (other than a conference or district officer) attend the Conference Annual Meeting.

___ 8. Had at least two members who wrote to at least five people listed in the Prayer Calendar at least once during the year.

___ 9. Participated in the Campaign for Children.

___ 10. Is a Five Star Unit, contributing to all five channels of Mission Giving.

___ 11. Had at least one person complete one of the plans in the Reading Program.

___ 12. Invited a district or conference officer, other than a member of the unit, to one unit meeting during the year.

Your unit, circle, or subgroup

___ 13. Included a Response Moment where an article from Response Magazine was lifted up as a way to tell the mission story in at least three meetings

___ 14. Had at least two programs from the Program Book.

___ 15. Implemented the Charter for Racial Justice Policies in at least two ways.

Send completed form by September 16, 2019 to:
Azilee “DeeDee” Dickey
205 Kilpatrick Drive
Sumter, SC 29154-9719
Florence District Unit of the Year 2019

Local Presidents and Secretaries should work with their Unit in answering the question on this form to qualify for the Unit of the Year. The period runs from September 1, 2018 through August 31, 2019. It should be mailed no later than September 16, 2019 to be considered for the award.

Mail to Ms. Azilee Dickey, 205 Kilpatrick Drive Sumter, SC 29154 • 803-491-6699.

Name of Church: ____________________________

Local Unit President: ____________________________

Minister: ____________________________

Number of members in Unit: ____________________________

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United Methodist Women Reading Program

Unit Name: ____________________________________________

Reading Program: Number of participants: ________________

Number of books read: ____________________________

Do you unit subscribe to Response: ☐ Yes  ☐ No

Was the Program Book used? ☐  Calendar used? ☐

Books read between September 1, 2018 and August 31, 2019

Send Information by Sept. 19, 2019
to: Azilee “DeeDee” Dickey
205 Kilpatrick Drive • Sumter, SC 29154

PLANS: All books read for credit must be on the current list (2014-2019). The lists are online at: www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/readingprogram/plans

Everyone is encouraged to read the Response magazine regularly.

Plan I = 5 books (1 from each category)

Plan II = 10 books (2 from each category)

Plan III = 15 books (2 from each category plus 5 additional books from any category)

Plan IV = 20 books (2 from each category plus 5 additional books from any category)

Categories:
- Education for Mission • Leadership Development
- Nurturing for Community, • Social Action, • Spiritual Growth
ACTION CHOICES

In order to receive a Diamond Unit Certificate, a minimum of three activities must be completed. At least one of the three MUST be from the diamond group (first four activities listed below).

1. ♦ Watch a video relating to concerns addressed by the Charter for Racial Justice (Visit the Conference Resource Center’s online catalog for several titles – http://www.umsc.org/resourcecenter/frameset.htm. Select an appropriate age group. In the block labeled: “description” enter “racism” or “justice” for titles under each subject).

2. ♦ Give a book report on a Reading Program Book selected from the Social Action area.

3. ♦ Regularly share articles from Response and New World Outlook or UMW Action Alerts relating to racism.


5. Have a program on Racial Justice/Human Rights from the UMW Program Book.


7. Give a report to the unit about the experience of attending a musical or theater performance by person(s) of a different race, culture, or ethnic background.

8. Send at least one member to the Capital Day.

9. Participate in postcard-writing which encourages legislation favorable to the economically deprived.

10. Experience worship, bible study, or UWM unit program/activity with an ethnic background different from your own.

11. Attend or host an international tasting party, cultural fair or other international event.

12. Participate in a Bible Study on racism.

13. Celebrate Black History month in February.

14. Suggest and plan with your pastor a pulpit exchange with a pastor of another race.

15. Plan an event with a unit of a different race or ethnic background (celebration, worship, Vacation Bible School, etc.).

16. Other

Please submit to Azilee Dickey • 205 Kilpatrick Drive Sumter, SC 29154
The Conference Treasurer has instructed us to use the following QUARTERLY REPORTING DATES FOR LOCAL TREASURERS:

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Any funds received after reporting date will be carried over to the next quarter.

Thank you for all you have done and are doing to achieve “The Purpose” of United Methodist Women.

You are encouraged to pay your pledge to mission before September 1, 2019. The District pledge to the UMW Conference is $25,000. For us to reach our pledged amount, we are asking your local unit, if you are financially able, please send an additional remittance.

Just a reminder we are still soliciting your financial support for our “Second Mile Project” a water well for Zambia. Excerpt from the letter from Zambia water project: “In our community, we have a great challenge of clean water. The surrounding five villages are depending on drinking water from the river where we share the water with animals. This has resulted in having a lot of water borne illnesses, which has claimed many lives. Within the five villages, we have 133 families who will benefit from this water well.”

Special Note: Rural Mission of Johns Island, SC is no longer a mission project. The Conference has advised local units to withhold all funds collected for Rural Mission until further notice.

Pearl R. Brown

Florence District Treasurer pbrown2076@gmail.com
2020 Pledge to Mission

CHURCH___________________________ Pledge Amount: ___________________

President: ________________________ Treasurer: ________________________

Address: _________________________ Address: _________________________

_____________________________ _________________________________

Phone: _________________________ Phone: _________________________

Email: _________________________ Email: _________________________

We give thanks to God for you!!!!!!

Please bring with you to District Annual Meeting

If you are unable to attend the District Annual Meeting, submit form to:
Ms. Pearl Brown (Treasurer)
2076 Cade Road, Lake City, SC 29518

We Want YOU!

Interested in making a difference?
Want to share you GOD given talents?

Florence District UMW CON is looking for you!
Executive team members are needed.
Little time BIG reward.
Local President’s Report for 2019
(Annual Report for Annual Meeting)
Period September 1, 2018 - August 31, 2019
Due: September 19, 2019

Unit: ___________________________ President: ___________________________
Unit Address: ___________________________

Membership:
Number of Members in Unit: __________ Number New Members Added: __________
Number of Deceased Members: __________ (Send names to Spiritual Growth Chairperson)
Number of Members pledging $5.00 for Wallace Family Life Center: __________

Contributions:
Actual amount sent for the Five Star Requirements:
Pledge to Missions: __________ World Thank Offering: __________
Gift to Missions: __________ Gift to Mission: __________
Special Mission Recognition: __________ Call to Prayer and Self Denial: __________
Actual Amount Sent for the Gold Seal Requirements:
Killingsworth: __________ Wallace Family Life: __________
Bethlehem Community Center Columbia: __________ Spartanburg: __________
Rural Mission (John’s Island): __________

Actual Giving:
Number of Rainbow Women (extra mile giving): __________
Other Mission Support (list specific mission): __________
*(Five Star Recognition will be based on unit’s giving last year-treasurer has this information.)

Participation:
District Events: (Number of Persons from unit attending each event)
Annual Meeting (October 2016): __________ Conference Officer Training (Nov 2016) __________
Local Officer Training (January 2017): __________ Legislative Day (February 2017): __________
Day Apart (March 2017): __________ Spiritual Growth Retreat (April 2017): __________
Youth at Mission U (July 2017): __________

Mission Education:
Reading Program number of participants for 2016: __________
Subscriptions to Response Magazine number who subscribed for 2016: __________
Program Book Used: __________ Prayer Calendar Used: __________
Diamond Unit (Charter for Racial Justice): __________ Mission Unit Today: __________

Please mail to Azilee DeeDee Dickey at 205 Kilpatrick Drive Sumter, SC 29154 (803)491-6699
Remembering our Deceased
Florence District Methodist Sisters

In Memory

Please report the church name and the name of our beloved United Methodist Sisters that have passed away last year (August 15, 2018 thru August 15, 2019) to your Spiritual Growth Coordinator, Dr. Evelyn Fulmore. You may send me a copy through my email: efulmorers2@aol.com or mail to: Evelyn Fulmore 3781 West Pointe Drive Florence SC 29501.

Name_____________________________________________________
Church____________________________________________________
Date of death:_______________________

Name_____________________________________________________
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Date of death:_______________________

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Church____________________________________________________
Date of death:_______________________

Thank you for sending this information to us so we can remember them in the program at the SCCUMW 2019 Annual Meeting in October 2019.
“47th South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women Annual Meeting”
October 25 - 26, 2019
Buncombe Street United Methodist Church  200 Buncombe Street  Greenville SC  29601

For registration information contact Diane Talley, Registrar at (864) 419-4463 or email talleydiane@bellsouth.net

Theme: “Celebrating 150 Years of Limitless Possibilities”

Name_________________________________________________________(this will be printed on name tag)
Address__________________________ City________ Zip__________

Phone number________________________ District_________ Church__________

Check all of the following that apply:

First Timer                      Conference Officer           District Officer  Past Conf President
Under 40                      Unit President               Mission Director   Clergy
Age 14-30                      Voting Delegate             Missionary/ Deaconess
Nursery needed: Number of children / ages

In case of emergency, contact_________________________________ Phone____________________

Will you be at dinner Friday night ______________ Will you be at lunch Saturday? ______________

*Note meals require a meal ticket from your registration packet.

*****Workshops*****

Select your first, second & third choices for Friday afternoon, you will be assigned one of your selections!

___Prayer Walking Our Cities ___UMW Through the Years ___Public Education Impact on the Community
___Reclaiming the Man:Soteria ___The Trail of Your Pledges ___SWITCH:Combatting Human Trafficking
___Free on the Inside-Experiencing God’s Forgiveness & Grace in Prison ___Limitless
___Communicating Your Vision ___CIRCLES USA-Helping Hand Out of Poverty

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Friday, October 25th

Registration: 11:00 am - 3:00 pm (follow signs)  **Late registration will be available prior to Communion Service**
Optional: Pre-Conference activities and a tour of the Triune Mercy Center will be available during registration.

Session 1
2:45 pm  Opening Ceremonies / Bible Study (Rev. Redonia Thomas)  - Sanctuary
4:15 pm  Workshops
5:30 pm  Dinner (MEAL TICKETS REQUIRED)
6:45 pm  Buncombe Street UMC Choir
7:00 pm  Keynote Speaker (Harriett Jane Olson) / Communion - Sanctuary
8:30 pm  Afterglow and Fellowship

Saturday, October 26th

Registration: 8:00 am - 9:00 am (follow signs)

Session 2
9:00 am  General Business, Information Moments, Memorial Service, Special Music - Sanctuary
10:30 am  Break
10:45 am  President’s Report, Adoption of Budget, Love Offering, Past Conference Presidents Greetings
12:15 pm  Lunch (MEAL TICKET REQUIRED)

Session 3
1:15 pm  Election and Installation of Officers / Closing - Sanctuary

Mail with $35.00 fee payable to SCCUMW to: Diane Talley  47 Jones Creek Circle  Greer, SC  29650

**Registration deadline: October 15th- registrations postmarked after October 15th and on-site fee is $45.00**
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| Comfort Inn – Haywood Mall | 246 Congaree Rd., Greenville, SC 29607 864.288.1200 | $110.00 plus tax | Cut-off date: October 4, 2019  
Group code: SCCUMC 2019 Women’s Conference  
Distance from church: 4.2 miles |
| Hampton Inn Greenville I-385/Haywood Rd | 255 Congaree Rd., Greenville, SC 29607 864.516.2400 | $115.00 plus tax | Complimentary breakfast  
Cut-off date: September 26, 2019  
Group code: SCUMW  
Distance from church: 4.1 miles |
| Home 2 Suites Greenville Downtown | 350 N. Main Street, Greenville, SC 29601 800.455.8667  
www.greenvilledowntown.home2suitesbyhilton.com | $189.00 plus tax | This is a valet-only parking hotel with a daily fee of $15.00  
Cut-off date: September 24, 2019  
Group code: SC United Methodist Women  
Distance from church: 0.3 miles |
| Hilton Greenville          | 45 West Orchard Park Drive, Greenville, SC 29615 800.445.8667 (800.HILTONS) | $149.00 plus tax | Rooms are subject to availability until the event date arrives.  
Group code: SC Methodist Women’s Conference  
Distance from church: 4.3 miles |
| Hyatt Place Greenville/Haywood | 40 W Orchard Park Drive  
Greenville, SC 29615  
(The Executive Committee hotel)  
www.hyattplacegreenville.com | $129.00, plus tax (Maximum occupancy 4 people per room; breakfast included in room rate) | Cut-off date: September 26, 2019  
Group code: SC United Methodist Women’s Conference  
Distance from church: 4.6 miles |

Distances may vary slightly depending upon the route taken.
RAINBOW WOMAN
South Carolina Conference
United Methodist Women

A Rainbow Woman gives to all five channels of giving:

$40 to give someone special a Special Mission Recognition Pin
$5 Pledge to Mission
$5 Gift to Mission
$5 Special Recognition in Memory
$5 World Thank Offering
$60 Total

Your $60 RAINBOW WOMAN offering must specify that you are giving to the above five channels and designate to whom your pin will go, the person your Gift in Memory is for, and that you are giving the $60 as a Rainbow Woman. You cannot simply give $60 to your unit treasurer; you must state that it is for Rainbow Woman giving and complete this form.

* Special Mission Recognition Pin: In Honor of In Memory of: __________________________ __________________________
(Please circle) (name of person being honored or memorialized)
Send Pin to: Name________________________ ______________________________________________
Address________________________________________ __________________________________________

* Pledge to Mission

* Gift to Mission-Which card to send? __________________________
(Thank You, Baby, Birthday, etc.)
Send card to: Name________________________ ______________________________________________
Address________________________________________ __________________________________________

* Gift in Memory In Memory of: Name________________________
(name of Person in whose memory the gift is made)
Send card to: Name________________________ ______________________________________________
Address________________________________________ __________________________________________

* World Thank Offering

Given by: Rainbow Woman’s Name________________________ ______________________________________________
Address: __________________________________________ (Include city, state and zip)

All components must be submitted to your Unit Treasurer at one time. It is suggested that the Rainbow Woman gift be given in addition to your regular Pledge to Mission. If you have questions about becoming a Rainbow Woman, please contact your District Treasurer, Pearl Brown • prbrown2076@gmail.com • 843-382-3564 • 2076 Cade Rd. Lake City, SC 29560
Let others know what the United Methodist Women are doing in your church. Send announcements to wchandlerflowers@gmail.com. They may be featured in an upcoming issue of The Flame. Space Permitting.