

Presbyterian Women

Missouri Union Presbytery

Late Spring Newsletter - 2019



Upcoming PW Events:

Our PW at the Synod level is planning a short Gathering in conjunction with the Horizons Bible Study Workshop in mid-August. Both activities offer lots of information as well as opportunities for fun and fellowship. A discounted hotel room rate has been procured. Carpooling is encouraged! All the details for registering for both events is in this newsletter.

PW-MUP will be supporting the Festival of Sharing again this year. More information is in this newsletter!

Anne Schneider Moderator PW-MUP

Spring Gathering: Faithful Art

Thank you to the Presbyterian Women of Trinity Presbyterian Church for all their work – and the wonderful luncheon – in hosting our Spring Gathering. We enjoyed learning how several talented Presbyterian artists express their faith through various artistic medium and then trying our own hand at several projects. It was a fun day of learning and fellowship.

Thanks to our artists, Dianna Marcum and Elizabeth Virkler, for sharing their art and music with us and leading workshops, and to Rev. Deborah Boucher-Payne for sharing her experience with writing iconography. Thanks to the women who led us in worship and to Rev. Kathy Jackson and Rev. Deborah Boucher-Payne in helping us celebrate the Lord's Supper. Thanks also to Ann Bouchard and Melissa Manda for leading additional hands-on workshops. Finally, thanks to all the women who joined us for the day – our PW-MUP Coordinating Team hopes you found it enjoyable and worthwhile!





Festival of Sharing News

This Fall's Festival of Sharing will be again using the "sharefests" model, so you may deliver items at the specified time to the place nearest your community.

The Sharefests most likely to be used by churches in our Presbytery are:

- Saturday, September 7th at Macon United Methodist Church, 208
 Pearl St., Macon, MO (9:30 am 11:30 am)
- Friday, September 27th Tipton (4:00 pm 7:00 pm) & Saturday, September 28th (9:30 am - 11:30 am) at United Methodist Church, 204 US Hwy 50, Tipton, MO

Plus, the annual Quilt Show & Auction will be **Saturday October 26**th at the Knights of Columbus, 2525 N. Stadium Blvd. in Columbia.

- 9:00 am 11:30 am Quilt Viewing, Silent Auction & Craft Booths
- 11:00 -12:30 pm Lunch
- 12:30 ? Live Quilt Auction!

For lots more information, read this year's Festival Booklet, available for download at the Festival's website: http://www.festivalofsharing.org

From last year's Festival of Sharing:

TOTAL PEOPLE SERVED IN 2018 54,881 TOTAL AGENCIES SERVED IN 2018 89

** Donation Increase from 2017

Baby Bundles: 1,272 Backpacks of Love: 430 Best Choice Labels: 48,409 Blankets: 246 Student Dental Pack: 2,460 Family Food Boxes: 1,307 Personal Hygiene: 2,798**
Prison Packs: 500
Popcorn: 2,000 pounds
Reading & Writing: 2,802**
Rice: 29,000 pounds
Youth Personal Care: 184

** Donation Increase from 2017

CWS School Kits: 2.659

CWS Hygiene Kits: 3,005
CWS Cleanup Buckets: 1,418**
Eye Glasses — 1,155 eyeglasses
Rainbow Network Shoes: 1,416 pairs**

PC(USA)

Paper Products: 1,337**

Become a Matthew 25 Church

Matthew 25 is a bold new vision and invitation from the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) that calls us to actively engage in the world around us—serving the hungry, the oppressed, the imprisoned and the poor. When we practice justice, love and kindness, we become a living translation of Jesus Christ. Find out how your congregation can join us on this journey—https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/matthew-25/

PW's 2018 Thank Offering

Earlier this year, 18 projects were chosen (from 75 requests) to receive grants from the Thank Offering collected in last Fall. The selected projects include 12 domestic projects for a total allocation of \$238,825 and 6 international projects for a total of \$152,987. Of the money granted, \$170,237 was allocated to health-related projects. The total dispersed for the 2018 Thank Offering will be \$391,812.

More information about the recipients and their projects will be released later this summer!

PW's 2019 Birthday Offering

Please remit any collected monies for the 2019 Birthday Offering as soon as possible. (Our PW-MUP Remittance Form is attached to this newsletter.)

This year's offering will help 4 projects, three of which are in neighboring states! These include building a playground for a non-profit child care center in Effingham, Illinois, providing new furnishings for Presbyterian-affiliated nursing home in Eastern Kentucky, and helping fund a new residential facility for human trafficking victims being assisted by Wings of Refuge in Iowa Falls, Iowa.

Just announced:

Presbyterian Women's 2021 Churchwide Gathering will be in **St. Louis on August 5-8, 2021**!



OUT OF CHAOS, HOPE

Easy-to-plan Mission Projects: Make **Gift of the Heart Kits** for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and Church World Service! The School Kits, Hygiene Kits and Disaster Buckets are used by both PDA and CWS and make a huge difference to families in disaster. Get detailed instructions & other material at https://pda.pcusa.org/page/kits/

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If you plan to purchase gifts from Amazon.com, you may simultaneously donate to PW by shopping through Amazon Smile. Just visit smile.amazon .com and select Presbyterian



Women as your favorite charitable organization. Shop as you normally would through "regular" Amazon, and a portion of the purchase of eligible items is donated to PW. In other words: you shop, Amazon gives, PW receives.



One of the real treasures of Presbyterian Women is our annual Horizons Bible Study.

The 2019–2020 PW/Horizons Bible study: Love Carved in Stone: A Fresh Look at the Ten Commandments is now available to order for your PW group. Remember, the PW/Horizons Bible study is part of the Horizons magazine subscription! If you subscribe by April 1, 2019, then you will receive a copy of the 2019–2020 PW/Horizons Bible study, Love Carved in Stone, by Eugenia Gamble, in March 2019. (Purchased alone, the Bible study (regular edition) is \$10.00 plus \$5.25 shipping.) A one-year subscription to the magazine with the Bible study is \$24.95. Subscribe today by visiting https://www.presbyterianwomen.org/subscribe/ or call the Horizons office toll-free 866.802.3635.



A group from First Presbyterian in Jefferson City are planning to attend the CoInspire Conference at Montreat Conference Center (North Carolina) the week of October 6th. This conference will explore ways to disarm

prejudices that divide our communities and how we can imagine new ways to end racism. Several well-known leaders on the topic of racism and poverty will lead workshops and worship, including Rev. Traci Blackmon and Rev. Dr. Liz Theoharis.

Be inspired, even as your conscience is being pricked, while enjoying all that Montreat has to offer during this beautiful time of year. This may be of special interest to Presbyterian Women due to our leadership on racial inclusion and reconciliation, but all adults are welcome. Find out more about the CoInspire Conference, including cost information, at https://montreat.org/events/micl-2019. Anyone interested in attending and coordinating travel plans is invited to contact PW-MUP Moderator Anne Schneider.



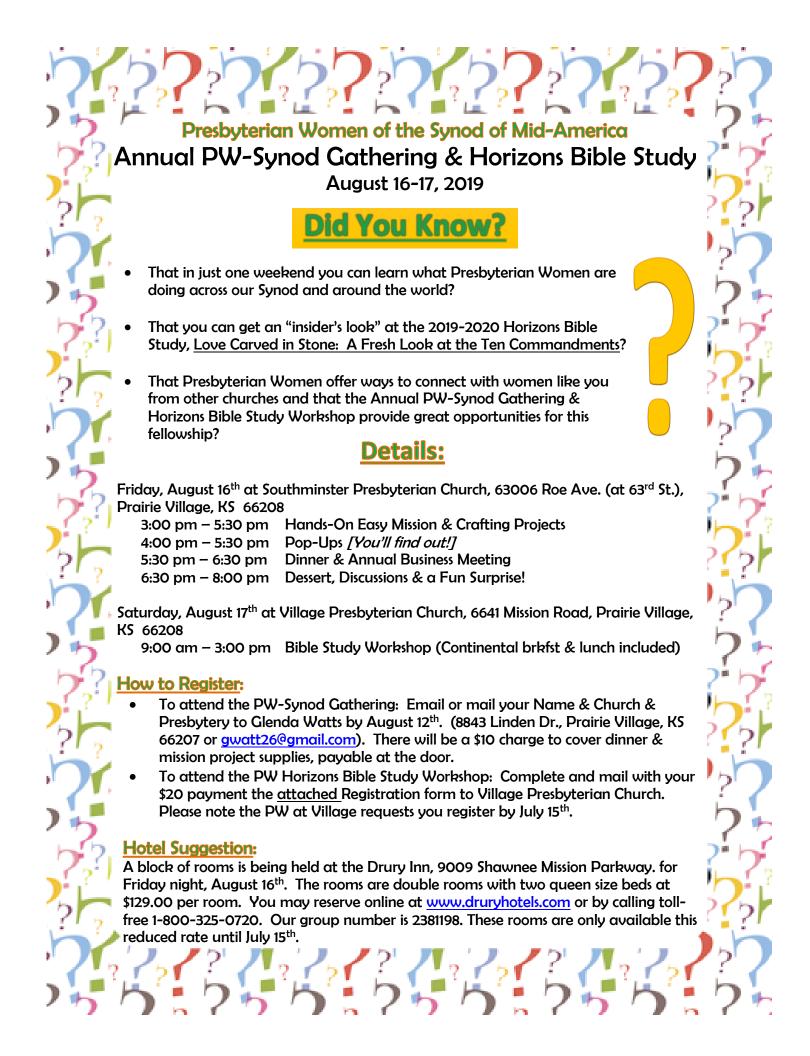
Montreat Conference Center has announced that its annual Women's Connection (August 9-11) will feature **Valarie Kaur**, a seasoned civil rights activist, award-winning filmmaker, lawyer, faith leader, and founder of the Revolutionary Love Project.

The event theme is "The Greatest of These is Love" and key Bible passages include 1 Corinthians 13, Matthew 22:36-39, John 13:34-35, Isaiah 43:1-4. Plus, singer/songwriter **Amy Grant** will be joining the Sunday morning worship service!!

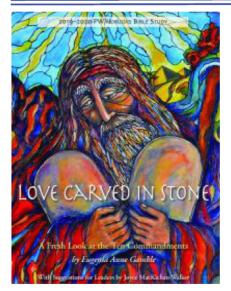
If women in our Presbytery want to attend, let's form a carpool! Contact Anne Schneider if you are interested in going. Reservations are now open and rates (including room & board) range from \$345 to \$500 depending on room choice.

See

<u>https://montreat.org/events/women</u> for more information.



Horizons Bible Study Workshop Registration Form



Bible Study Guide must be purchased separately!

Visit: presbyterianwomen.org

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PW Horizons Bible Study Workshop Love Carved in Stone

by Eugenia Gamble

The Presbyterian Women of Village Presbyterian Church invite you to the 2019-2020 PW Horizons Bible Study Workshop.

Saturday, August 17, 2019

9:00 am - 3:00 pm \$20/person (includes continental breakfast and lunch)

Friendship Hall

Village Presbyterian Church

6641 Mission Road Prairie Village, KS 66208

Welcome Eugenia Gamble, the author of our 2019–2020 PW Horizons Bible study. The study begins each lesson with an exploration of one of the ten commandments, what Gamble calls "the ten words." She then explores a moment from Jesus' life that shows how he lived out that word, as we consider the word for our own lives and contexts, and concludes with an invitation to pray.



Rev. Eugenia A. Gamble is a PC (USA) pastor who has served the church for more than 30 years. Her first call was to the national staff of Presbyterian Women as associate for women's leadership development. She has served pastorates in Alabama, Colorado, and California. She is an author, speaker, preacher, and retreat leader who loves helping the Bible come alive in people's lives.

Registration Form for Horizons Bible Study Only - DUE by July 15!

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Checks payable to: Village Presbyterian Church

(memo - Horizons Bible Study) *\$20/person does NOT include Horizons Bible Study Guide

Mail form & fee to: Village Presbyterian Church

6641 Mission Road Attn: PW/Sunni Battin Prairie Village, KS 66208

For Questions please contact: **Sunni Battin**, Adult Ministry Coordinator at 913-671-2333 or <u>sunni.battin@villagepres.org</u>.

Presbyterian Women in the Congregation Remittance Form

(Use this Form when forwarding any PW offerings and other donations to the PW-MUP Treasurer)

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Please make check(s) payable to Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Missouri Union (or to "PW-MUP")

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| Birthday Offering \$ | | Presbyterian Hunger Fund \$ | |
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directions for any designated gifts!

The PW-MUP Assessment(Dues) is used by the PW in the Presbytery to cover programing expenses for annual gatherings and other activities/communications and to support involvement in mission activities and provide grants for travel expenses for the Churchwide Gathering and similar opportunities. PW-MUP also offers an annual scholarship for theological education from these funds. PW-MUP also forwards \$0.17 for each woman in the presbytery to the PW in the Synod. The Assessment is calculated as \$1 for a congregation's membership, divided by 2 (\$1.00 x Membership/2). All other designated funds are 100% remitted by PW-MUP to the respective offerings and purposes.

The Assessment should be paid each year in January. Pledges made to the PW Mission Fund should be paid quarterly by remitting payment to the PW in the Presbytery Treasurer by March 10th, June 10th, September 10th and December 10th.

Please mail to the PW-MUP Treasurer at the below address. Please call or email with any questions.

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