

### From The President's Corner

Happy end of the summer! I hope everyone has had a good summer. It is nice that it has cooled a little. Our District Leadership Team enjoyed Mission U again this year. We had over 80 attendees. Wesley Methodist always does such a good job of hosting us and we thank them for their hospitality. We always learn so much and enjoy seeing old friends and making new ones. If you haven't attended Mission U in the past there will be another one next summer so watch for the details, scholarships are available for first time folks.

Our Team of officers is busy right now planning the Annual District meeting, September 20. This year it is in Tacoma, Washington which gives the folks in the northern part of our District a chanced to attend and not have to drive very far. Tacoma Community House has invited us to visit and take a tour of their facility. They will be part of our program and we are really looking forward to seeing and hearing what they do there to help refugees and immigrants and the multicultural work they do. Our theme is "When did we see you a stranger and invite you in?" Please register today for this great experience. You can carpool which saves and is more fun. The registration forms are out. They have been in the Currants also. A continental breakfast and lunch is provided by Puyallup UMC. It is from 10AM-2PM. We hope to see you there!

We will be sponsoring some Soul Care one day retreats coming up this fall and into the new year, watch for their announcement soon. We hope to have them in multiple areas so if you would like to have one at your church please let Joan Hackett or Sue Raymond know and they will provide you with the information.

One last thing, we really need a couple of officers to fill vacant spots. We especially need a Secretary so if that is something you feel you can do please let us know. Our nominations person will be happy to provide you with all you need to know for the job. it is a good way to meet new folks and have a good time doing it.

I hope all Units have sent in their Mission Today forms and Book Reading members. I hope to see a good turn out for our Annual District meeting this year at Tacoma Community House, you will be glad you went.

Blessings to all of you, Bev Thomas, Crest to Coast District President, (360)573-0399

### **Slate of District Officers**

President- Bev Thomas Vice President- Open Secretary- Open (Sheree Fitzpatrick is Secretary Protem for now) Treasurer- Eileen- Costuck Spiritual Growth-Sue Raymond Membership, Nurture & Outreach- Joan Hackett Education & Interpretation- Sheree Fitzpatrick Nominations- Gail Antijunti Social Action- Open

# Crest to Coast District Annual Meeting

This year our Annual Meeting is at Tacoma Community House on September 20, a Friday from 10-2. I am requesting names of those members who have died since our last Annual Meeting in September 2023.

Each unit President is asked to bring a stone of remembrance to the meeting with the name of your unit written on, that we will use there on that day. Please bring a small stone about 2-3 inches in size from your area. If you wish to paint it, then write on your church name, then please do. I would like all units to bring a stone whether or not you have any names of women who have died in the last year.

Please could you send these names to me by July 1 so I can plan? We will list these names in the program. Of course, I will add any more names up to the time of our meeting on September 20. Also let me know who will be bringing the stone. Thank you

Joan Hackett, Membership Nurture and Outreach Coordinator <u>revkeithjoan@hotmail.com</u> 360-696-1615



Crest to Coast District Annual Meeting September 20, 2024. 10 a.m.--2 p.m. Tacoma Community House

When did we see you as a stranger and invite you in?

United

Women

in Faith

Tacoma Community House has been a steadfast foundation for vulnerable communities for 114 years serving as a beacon of hope for immigrants, refugees, and homeless youth.Located at 1314 S. L St., Tacoma, WA 98405. 253-383-3951

Registration Deadline: September 3, 2024. \$5 per person; \$20 per church group Mail form and payment to: Eileen Costuck, 3720 E. 18th St., Apt. 211, Vancouver, WA 98661. Or email form to <u>ecostuck@gmail.com</u>. Mail payment. Questions? 360-605-4578

Name	 	 
Address		 
E-mail		 
UWF Officer	 	 
Church		

# **Opportunities for Spiritual Growth**

Ladies of Crest to Coast District,

This is an exciting time of year for Spiritual Growth! We have the opportunity to attend District and Conference United Women in Faith Annual Meetings and celebrate the accomplishments of 2024 and look forward to the events and service opportunities of 2025.

I am so excited that we are planning our Crest to Coast Annual Meeting at Tacoma Community House. I am fairly new to this area, but I have been so impressed by this beautiful National Mission Institution. Their ministry is so far reaching, and it will be a wonderful opportunity to see how we can be even more involved in their outreach. Please register yourself and/or your unit on the form in this newsletter. You will also find the wish list for the Welcome Baskets that we will be assembling at the meeting, so encourage your local members to send items even if they cannot be there on September 20. This is a great way to feel part of a ministry that touches the lives of so many people!

Also, please consider attending the PNW Conference Annual Meeting in Spokane on October 18-19. This is a great way to see the wider impact of United Women in Faith and to see how other districts and local units are living out our PURPOSE in their locations.

If your church is located in the northern part of the district, I hope that you are considering the invitation to host a Spiritual Growth event sometime in 2024 or 2025! Chehalis UMC is scheduled to host local churches on October 12 as we consider "For Such a Time as This." We will focus on Esther and the way she met the challenges of her time and consider ways we are empowered to meet our challenges today. If your church would like to host a meeting, please contact me and we will discuss dates and topics. The other options are Mary and Martha or the Lessons Learned from Ladies Present in the Parables. I am eager to meet ladies in local churches, whether or not they have units of United Women in Faith. The last few years have been difficult for many of us dealing with isolation and lack of opportunities for fellowship. Now is the time to reach out and grow in faith with other faithful women! I hope to hear from you soon.

> Blessings, Sue Raymond sueraymond@bellsouth.net

# Move-In Welcome Basket List

- Soap (dish, hand, body)
- Sponges
- Ziplock bags
- Trash can / Bags
- Knives
- Pots / Pans
- Baking Sheet
- Can opener
- Silverware
- 4 Plates / Bowls/Cups
- Spatulas
- Tin foil
- Tupperware

- Broom / Dustpan П П. Mop Toilet Cleaner / Brush П Wash Cloths П. Hand Towels П Bath Towels Shower Curtain П. Toilet Paper П Hangers
- Laundry pods

## From the Treasurer

I want to thank all of our members who have supported UWF with their Pledges for 2024.

I also was happy to hear from all of you regarding our proposed Pledges for 2025.

At our Annual Meeting in September we are looking forward to seeing the wonderful team that keeps Tacoma Community House running and supporting some of their needs!

This year is going fast and we still have 2 Quarters left to fulfill our Pledge for 2024.

As I am going through my reports, we only have a few units that need to send in their Mission Giving.

If anyone of our Units has any extra funds they would like to donate please send them to me.

We don't usually need to have any "fund raisers" but we are getting low on funds.

Conference Annual Meeting is in Spokane WA in October.

Eileen Costuck

Treasurer, Crest to Coast Missional District

# **Reports Reminder**

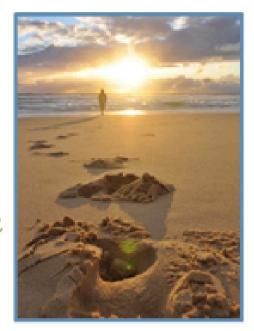
LAST CALL FOR REPORTS!

They should have been sent to your District Counterpart by now. If you have not sent it yet, please do so **IMMEDIATELY**! We cannot get your certificates ready or send our reports up to the Conference level until we receive your reports! Pacific Northwest Conference United Women in Faith

## ANNUAL GATHERING

Stepping Out in Faith: Expanding Our Vision...Trust the Nudge Scripture: Matthew 14:22-33 Spokane Valley UMC

115 N Raymond Rd, Spokane Valley, WA 99206





Keynote Speaker: Sue Magrath Spiritual Counselor and Acclaimed Author



### SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER 18 — 19, 2024

Start time: 5:30 PM with dinner on Friday End time: 1:00 PM on Saturday; Sack Lunch available for an additional \$10 at time of registration.

#### REGISTRATION FEE — \$30

#### HOTEL INFORMATION

Participant is responsible for making their registrations! All the hotels listed include breakfast.

#### Comfort Inn & Suites Spokane Valley

Please use the group name United Women in Faith. We have reserved a block of rooms here. The cost is approximately \$155 for double occupancy on Thursday and Friday. There are options for king-size or double-queen bed rooms.

#### ~ <u>Fillable PDF Registration form</u> for this event.

## **United Women in Faith**

#### **Our Vision**

Turning Faith, Hope and Love into Action on behalf of women, children and youth around the world.

#### **Our Mission**

United Women in Faith seeks to connect and nurture women through Christian spiritual formation, leadership development, creative fellowship, and education so that they can inspire, influence and impact local and global communities.

#### We believe love in action can change the world

We have opportunities for membership within our lo9cal churches and individual membership "all access" to help women connect with other women around areas of justice, soul care, and spiritual growth.

## We encourage you to explore the many opportunities for making a difference

Through our partnership with Faith Action Network, Legislative Advocacy events, our ongoing work addressing our Charter for Racial Justice, and our focus on justice issues such as breaking the school-to prison pipeline, maternal health, food insecurity, climate care, and more, we continue to be challenged to ask the "hard questions" and take action individually, locally and globally.

> <u>Spring Sharing Line</u> (Conference Newsletter)

## Mission u

## Plenary and Closing Worship Links

Hello,

Tyrone Olds recorded the Mission u Opening Plenary and the Closing Worship. The links are shown below. The first link should open and begin playing immediately, but the second link to the Closing Worship doesn't begin until about 4:30 minutes. You may need to turn up your sound for the Closing Worship.

Blessings, Linda Mills

<u>Plenary</u>

Mission u 2024 Closing Worship

## **Upcoming Events**

 Sept. 20 - Crest to Coast Missional District Annual Meeting Tacoma Community House, Tacoma, WA
Oct. 18-19 - Conference United Women in Faith Annual Meeting Spokane Valley UMC, Spokane, WA
~ <u>Fillable PDF Registration form</u>