



# THE MESSENGER

News from the Mid-Michigan District  
United Methodist Women

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## 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations

Many churches/units celebrated our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year. I want to celebrate that by compiling a list of who hosted a celebration of our heritage or anniversary, with pictures, if possible. Please send me the name of the unit or church (and pictures if available, by August 30, 2019 to [wally@cmsinter.net](mailto:wally@cmsinter.net)

Walthagaye Leavitt, Conference Team

## Mid-Michigan Standing Rules For UMW

The Mid-Michigan District leadership has written new standing rules which will be presented for vote at the Mid-Michigan District Annual Conference on September 18, 2019. The new rules will go into effect on January 1, 2020. Since the rules comprise 19 pages, they will not be printed in this newsletter, *The Messenger*. As an alternative, for your review, they will be posted on the Michigan Conference United Methodist Women's website ([umwmichiganconference.org](http://umwmichiganconference.org)) prior to September 18, 2019. Once you access the website, click on Mid-Michigan District *The Messenger* on the left hand side of the page and then the Standing Rules on the right hand side of the page. We ask that you share this information with your unit friends who do not have a computer.

Donna Kleiver, Mid-Michigan Standing Rules Committee

## Treasurer's Report & 2020 Proposed Budget

The Treasurer's Report and the 2020 proposed budget are included in this newsletter for your review. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. The Treasurer's report may be found on page 13 and the proposed budget on page 14.

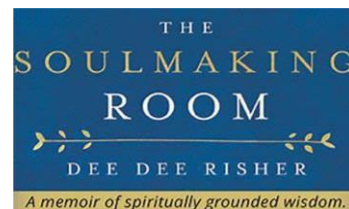
The Mid-Michigan District UMW Pledge to Mission card that each unit is to submit to me can be found on page 8.

## 2019 Reading Program: Spiritual Growth

In this personal story, Dee Dee Risher weaves experiences from her life with the biblical story of the prophet Elisha and the Shunammite woman. Risher is captivated by this spiritually attuned, generous, hospital, honest and bold woman. The woman from Shunem extends radical hospitality to the prophet, expecting no reward. But when disaster strikes, she does not hesitate to hold Elisha accountable to talk back. Discover how life's best and worst times can shape you into your most authentic self.

This book is a good read - the book is not too big or small. It is from Upper Room Books. Enjoy reading this book with a glass or two of your favorite beverage.

Karol Fry, Program Resources



## Message from the President

The Mid-Michigan Leadership Team has been busy this year. The Standing Rules Committee has been hard at work rewriting the new standing rules for the Mid-Michigan District and with great relief they are in the final stage of review. By the first of August, 2019, you will be able to review the proposed Mid-Michigan District Standing Rules on the United Methodist Women Michigan Conference website. They will then be voted for acceptance at the Mid-Michigan District Annual Celebration on September 18, 2019 and take effect on January 1, 2020. In addition, the leadership team members have been in contact with their District Friends through phone calls and visits. We have had the opportunity to hear several Reading Program book reports, hear speakers, share the United Methodist Women's purpose and organization through question and answer sessions and sharing unit activity. More visits are scheduled for the fall. We found it very exciting to hear how creative and unique each unit is in planning programs and projects to help women, children and youth, no matter how large or small the unit.

On May 3-4, 2019, Mid-Michigan District and Midwest District members enjoyed a wonderful Spring Retreat at St. Francis Community Center in DeWitt, MI. Jody Pratt was a fabulous facilitator, discussing our "Spiritual Styles". Jody is a fun, interactive and vibrant lady and discovery of our Spiritual Style was fascinating. I would highly recommend her as a program leader. Included in the weekend was a donation of game prizes and children books for the Senior and Children Programs along with funds from a purse/accessory auction all going to the United Methodist Community House.

On September 18, 2019 Mid-Michigan will hold their first Mid-Michigan District Annual Celebration at Green Street UMC in Hastings with Linda Darrow as our keynote speaker. I hope you have put this date on your calendar to be a part of United Methodist Women in Mid-Michigan and please invite a friend. You will find the registration form included in this newsletter.

One of my most difficult characteristics is to be patient and not have life organized in a neat and tidy box. I have learned that asking God through prayers and doing my best to be patient with His response, all of my concerns will be handled. My biggest concern, for the Mid-Michigan District, is our incomplete proposed leadership team for 2020. You will see that we are in need of a Mission Coordinator for Education and Interpretation, Mission Coordinator for Membership Nurture and Outreach and two on the Nominations Committee. I know someone is in our District who can fill these positions and I ask that you pray about the possibility of becoming a part of your District Leadership Team. We all work together and help each other out when and where it is necessary. Besides, more hands make the work load light. I will be praying that these positions may be filled. **BE BOLD! BE STRONG!** May God fill you with His loving care throughout the summer.

Donna Kleiver, President Mid-Michigan District United Methodist Women



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## Economic Inequality

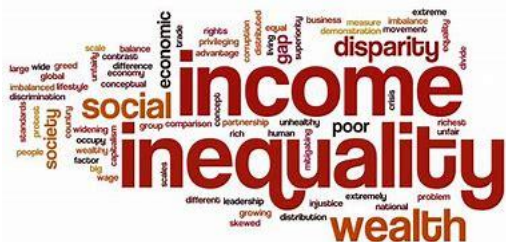
As we settle into our summertime routines, let's remember those who continue to struggle with economic inequality. In order to learn more about this issue and possible corrective action, the Mason unit sponsored an informational meeting on May 6 with State Senator Curtis Hertel, Jr. We learned about the current status of the new living wage bill and other issues affecting our community. Senator Hertel also hosted public coffee hours for his constituents in June at these locations:

June 24 Sam Corey Senior Center, Holt 9:30-10:30 am  
June 27 Bestsellers in Mason, 9 -10 am

Legislative change is one way to address the issue of economic inequality. Volunteering in soup kitchens, clothing banks and job fairs are opportunities to help those struggling with poverty.

May God Bless you as we learn to find justice for all.

Nancy Nay, Social Action



## District Annual Meeting

I hope everyone is enjoying this beautiful wet summer and having great vacations. The leadership team is working hard on the district annual meeting. If you do not have your reports submitted (new members, deceased members, books read), please submit them as soon as possible so that our recognition information for the district annual meeting is accurate.

I would like to invite any member who would be interested in being part of the leadership team or finding out what would be involved to be on the team, to please let me know by email, phone or in person.

The 2020 proposed slate of officer candidates may be found on page 4.

Bernice Natoli, Nominations Committee



## PURPOSE OF THE DISTRICT WOMEN

The organized Unit of United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and experience freedom as vulnerable 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

# Proposed 2020 Mid-Michigan District Leadership Team

Proposed slate of elected officers for 2020 as submitted by the Committee on Nominations

Chairperson: Bernice Natoli, Linda Huyck

## **ELECTED OFFICERS:**

**President:** Donna Kleiver (2018)  
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**Treasurer:** Jackie Ricketts (2016)  
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## **MISSION COORDINATORS:**

**Spiritual Growth:** Judy Marr (2017)  
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**Committee on Nominations:**  
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**Open**  
**Open**  
**Open**

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**MSU Wesley Foundation: Open**

# BE BOLD! BE STRONG!

2019 Annual Celebration  
Wednesday, September 18, 2019

**Registration Deadline is Wednesday, September 11, 2019**

**When:** Wednesday, September 18, 2019  
Registration at 9:00 a.m. Begins promptly at 9:30 am and ends at 3:00 pm

**Where:** Greenstreet United Methodist  
206 West Green Street, Hastings, MI 49058  
The church is wheelchair accessible. Parking is off of Church Street.  
**This event is fragrance-free.**

**Cost:** \$10 (includes lunch)

**Keynote Speaker:** Linda Darrow, President, Michigan Conference

**Offering Support:** Will be taken to support Soaring and UM Community House

**Gathering:** Non-perishable food items and paper products will be collected to support Barry County Food Bank.

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Registration for Mid-Michigan District Annual Meeting, September 18, 2019

Send check in the amount of \$10, payable to Mid-Michigan District UMW, to Joyce Plumhoff, 1858 West Columbia, Mason, MI 48854. Please use a separate form for each individual registering.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

LOCAL CHURCH: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

**LEADERSHIP TRAINING:** For current or future unit leaders. If you do not have an interest in an officer's position, please attend the Book Chat. Check which session you will attend.

President\_\_\_\_\_ Vice President\_\_\_\_\_ Treasurer\_\_\_\_\_ Secretary\_\_\_\_\_ Social Action\_\_\_\_\_

Spiritual Growth\_\_\_\_ Membership Nurture & Outreach\_\_\_\_\_ Education & Interpretation\_\_\_\_\_

Nominations\_\_\_\_\_ Book Chat\_\_\_\_\_

Special Needs/Diet: (Please specify)\_\_\_\_\_

Child Care Needed: (Please provide name(s) and age(s) of children and bring a sack lunch for each child.

## United Methodist Women in Action!



**THE BABY BOX PROJECT:** Dorothy Frederickson, a long-time UMW member and present member of Mid-Michigan's Holt United Methodist Church, tried to retire in 2017 after 25 years working as a missionary in Haiti. The 79-year-old first went there as a teacher, but, after witnessing the country's deep poverty, she founded a mission in 1994 called Soaring Unlimited.

It is still operating as a Michigan-based nonprofit to help people in Haiti with fresh water, housing, health care and education. (Check out "Soaring Unlimited" on the web and on Facebook for more background). Along with Frederickson's 2017 "retirement" came a spark of an idea to help reduce the horrific infant mortality rate in Haiti: Baby Boxes

**WHY?** When Hurricane Matthew hit in 2016, Haiti already had the highest maternal and infant mortality rates in the Western Hemisphere. In 2016, nearly 25 babies died there each day for every 1,000 births. That's six times more deaths than the U.S. saw each day that year. Even before Hurricane Matthew hit, many homes in Haiti lacked clean water, proper sanitation and reliable electricity—problems that have only gotten worse. These simple, durable cardboard boxes provide a safe place for newborns to sleep until they can pull themselves up. They also come stocked with a firm waterproof mattress and additional newborn necessities such as diapers, blankets, onesies, sleepers, booties and bibs, as well as health tools tailored to local needs.

Furthermore, there's evidence that Baby Box programs that integrate local health, education and social support, like that offered free at the Soaring Unlimited Medical Clinic, lead to better infant and maternal wellness outcomes. At the Clinic Baby Boxes are handed out after new mothers take the infant care class.

**HOW?** It costs \$60 to \$75 to buy a Baby Box commercially, but Frederickson and a group of volunteers (including many United Methodist Women around Michigan) have figured out a way to cut that cost in half. The boxes are being produced and stored in Florida. They're shipped flat to the Soaring Unlimited Clinic where they're assembled, covered in contact paper and filled with items shipped from Michigan.

Back in Lansing, volunteers cut inch-thick foam to make tiny 16-by-26-inch mattresses. A group of seamstresses meets about bi-weekly at First United Methodist Church to sew waterproof mattress covers, tiny sheets and mosquito nets to cover the boxes. A crew also assembles layettes from donated items into large zip-top bags at Lansing's Central United Methodist Church which has generously donated a room. Finally, the bedding items are shipped with the layettes to Haiti to be added to the finished Baby Boxes for distribution to new mothers.

## WHAT YOU AND YOUR UNIT CAN DO

- **Donations:** New or gently used newborn clothes or other items. Contact Dorothy Frederickson at (517) 882-4609 for a full list of needs. Money: send a check to *Soaring Unlimited/Baby Boxes* at P.O. Box 631, Holt, MI 48842. Make sure to put "Baby Boxes" in the memo line.
- **Rummage/Bake Sale:** Last year over \$3000 was raised at a fund-raising Rummage and Bake Sale held to help support this ministry. A goal has been set to increase this amount to \$4000 or more this year at a sale to be held August 8-10, 2019, at the Plumbers and Pipefitters Union Hall, Lansing, MI. **Please share and post the enclosed flyer with full details on where and when.** Donations, volunteers (both men and women), and customers will be greatly appreciated. Your help (donating sale items, baked goods & working to set up/sell or buy) will make this sale a SUCCESS!



# Haiti Baby Box and Soaring Unlimited Benefit

## Rummage and Bake Sale

**Plumbers & Pipefitters Union Hall**  
**5405 S. Martin Luther King Blvd.**  
**Lansing, Michigan**  
(Handicap accessible)



**Thur. & Fri.: August 8 and 9**  
**9 a.m. - 6 p.m.**  
**Saturday, August 10**  
**9 a.m. - Noon**  
**\$3.00 a bag on Saturday**

**Save Your Stuff**  
**Donate Baked Goods**  
**Volunteer**  
**Come and Shop**

- Donations of gently used items accepted Monday, 2-6, Tuesday, 9-6, and Wednesday, 9 until noon, at the Union Hall.
- Baked goods can be brought on Wednesday or Thursday. For more information contact Dorothy: (517) 882-4609
- To volunteer any day from Monday noon through Saturday (both men & women), contact Pat: (517) 896-6980 or Jan: (517) 214-7517.

**This Sale supports the Baby Box Project & Soaring Unlimited Medical Clinic in Haiti.**

### Great News from Soaring Unlimited!

From the Soaring Unlimited Haiti Facebook Page:

We at Soaring Unlimited Haiti are very excited, extremely thankful, and humbly grateful to announce that we have reached the capital campaign fund-raising goal for our Women's Health & Birthing Center! We'll focus this summer on installing a new fence on our medical clinic property, then expect to begin construction on the main facility this fall, hoping to complete the building and begin operations by the end of 2020. We express our deep appreciation to our construction partner, Building Goodness Foundation for the two major charitable foundation gifts they have garnered for our project, as well as Central Church, Traverse City, which conducted a highly successful fundraising effort on our behalf, and numerous individual donors, families and churches who have contributed as well. Education/Leadership & Medical/Nutrition programs and services. Skilled volunteers who are interested in participating in our construction project should visit: <https://buildinggoodness.org/volunteer/> for information. From the bottom of our hearts, we thank each and every one of you for sharing in the fulfillment of our vision for helping to save the lives of women, children, and families in the proud but struggling nation of Haiti.

Pastor Laura

## **Women's Health and Birthing Center**

Our new program, the building of a birthing center and the development and implementation of a more comprehensive maternal and infant health program, is our current response to a critical need. Haiti has the highest maternal and infant mortality rate in the Western Hemisphere making it one of the most dangerous countries in the world for both mothers and infants. As in much of Haiti many of the women in the area we serve do not have access to prenatal, birth and postpartum care. Many Haitian women, living in poverty, have little or no prenatal care and their babies are delivered at home under the care of family members or traditional birth attendants (matrons). There are several life-threatening conditions related to childbirth that can be prevented and treated when free, comprehensive maternal and infant health services are available. When a woman dies in child birth, her children are 10 times more likely to die before the age of 5 years old. It is well known around the world that healthy women make for healthy families and that healthy families contribute to the health of the entire community.

Our clinic will provide a safe place for Haitian women to receive compassionate and respectful prenatal, birth and postpartum, and gynecological care at the hands of skilled Haitian midwives with emergency transportation when needed. It will be open to all women who seek women's health services and will include care of the infant throughout the postpartum period. It will be part of a community healthcare center, built next to an existing primary care clinic, where community members receive healthcare, education, and support. Education is a key component, teaching women and families about prenatal health and nutrition, hygiene, childbirth, childcare, breast feeding and family planning.



## **Mid-Michigan District UMW Pledge to Mission Card For**

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Unit Name

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Full Name of Church

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Address

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City, State, Zip Code

**For the coming year, our unit pledges:**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Unit President or Treasurer signature



Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Church: \_\_\_\_\_  
 District: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name on name tag (if different from above) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Roommate Request: \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Child Care Ages: \_\_\_\_\_ (Not available 8/16-17/19)

**Information:**  
☐ First time attending  
☐ Conference Officer  
☐ District Officer  
**Special needs:**  
☐ First floor housing  
☐ Minimal stairs  
☐ Minimal walking  
☐ Help moving around campus  
☐ Sign language interpreters  
☐ Special dietary needs (specify) \_\_\_\_\_  
**Study choice:** (for multi-day events)  
☐ "What About Our Money? A Faith Response"  
☐ "Women United for Change: 150 Years in Mission"

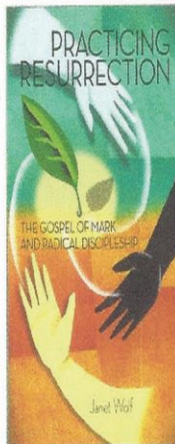
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## #1 EVERYONE ATTENDS THIS STUDY

### Practicing Resurrection: The Gospel of Mark and Radical Discipleship

by Janet Wolf  
 (Spiritual Growth Study)

Janet Wolf presents this well-known Gospel through voices and experiences that are often relegated to the margins. Where we stand, what we see, who we listen to, whose stories and voices we value and dismiss will all shape the way we understand the world and the Bible. This study incorporates the stories of those on the margins to uncover how the gospel is alive and well today -- how God is, and always has been, calling us to live out the Word in a radical way.



Study Leaders: #1 Bishop David Bard (W, S & E); Reverend Neil Davis (N)  
 #2 Reverend Faith Fowler (W); Nichea VerVeer Guy (S, E, & N)  
 #3 Genie Bank (W & E); Diana Miller (S & N)

## CHOOSE ONE STUDY

### #2 What About Our Money? A Faith Response

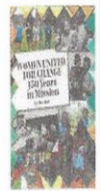
by Susan K. Taylor (Social Action Study)  
 This study explores how we relate to money within the context of our faith. The focus of this study is both personal and communal. Readers will explore their own relationship with money, the money choices available to us, and how we individually and collectively respond in light of our faith.



### #3 Women United For Change: 150 Years in Mission

by Ellen Blue

This study is the first in a two-year study commemorating United Methodist Women's 150th anniversary in 2019. It will provide a historical survey of United Methodist Women and its predecessor organizations and amplify the voices that shaped the work through an overarching story of United Methodist Women changing the face of mission. This study is about women who established vibrant societies to support mission.



### Who Do You Say That I Am? Meeting Jesus Through the Eyes of Mark

By Carolyn Poling

In Mark, Jesus models for us how to live our lives as Christians, reaching out to those who are left out, offering compassion and healing. As youth unpack the Gospel of Mark through the four sessions, they'll encounter guiding principles.

YOUTH STUDY

Study Leaders: Asti White & TaNia Moore (W)

### MARKED: A Mission Journey with Jesus in the Gospel of Mark

By Rita Hays

Throughout the Gospel of Mark, Jesus engages with all types of people, especially individuals who find themselves on the margins of society. Jesus appears as an inclusive Savior, inviting children to practice discipleship by sharing compassion, love, and kindness toward others.

CHILD STUDY

Ronda Libbett & TBA (W)



## Michigan Conference Mission u

Mission u is being offered in 4 locations throughout Michigan. While each location offers the same courses, the length of the sessions and the settings are options for you to choose.

All locations are handicapped accessible. The Albion College location offers a shuttle between buildings.

A Hands On Mission Experience is available at the Lake Huron location. You can choose between a variety of mission opportunities such as preparing and serving lunch at Mid City Nutrition Center, sorting and stocking inventory at a Free Store, etc. More information with registration confirmation.

You are responsible for lodging in Gaylord. There are a block of rooms with a group rate at the Baymont Inn 989-731-6331.



Gaylord First UMC



The Lodge at Lake Huron Retreat Center



Baldwin Hall at Albion College



Southfield Hope United Methodist Church



## Michigan Conference Mission u 2019

**Of the West ~ Albion College**  
July 10-13 (Wednesday-Saturday)  
6:30 pm Registration (No dinner provided)  
Registrar: Beth Mitchell  
barmitch55@gmail.com  
3813 Rockwood Drive, Kalamazoo 49004  
Register by June 26

**Of the South ~ Southfield Hope UMC**  
July 20 (Saturday)  
8 am Registration  
Registrar: Mary McCully  
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7664 N Canton Center Road, Canton 48187  
Register by July 1

**Of the East ~ Lake Huron Retreat Center**  
One day event OR Hands On Mission Experience  
August 15 (Thursday)  
8 am Registration  
August 16-17 (Friday-Saturday)  
7:30 am Registration  
Registrar: Mary McCully  
registerfordetconfmissionu@gmail.com  
7664 N Canton Center Road, Canton 48187  
Register by August 1

**Of the North ~ First UMC, Gaylord**  
October 21-22 (Monday-Tuesday)  
9 am Registration  
Registrar: Tiffany Crawford  
1490 Crest RD, Gladwin, 48624  
missionuofthenorth@yahoo.com  
Register by October 5

## Mission u of the West, Albion College July 10-13 (Wednesday-Saturday)

- On Campus:**
- ☐ Adult \$250
  - ☐ Children/Youth (Grades K-12) FREE
  - ☐ Enriched Child Care (Ages 0-4) FREE
  - Commuter With 5 Meals:**
  - ☐ Adult \$150
  - ☐ Children/Youth (Grades K-12) FREE
  - ☐ Enriched Child Care (Ages 0-4) FREE
  - Commuter With NO Meals:**
  - ☐ Adult \$100
  - ☐ Children/Youth (Grades K-12) FREE
  - ☐ Enriched Child Care (Ages 0-4) FREE

### TOTAL DUE:

Age of youth: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Entering: \_\_\_\_\_  
Responsible Adult for registered youth: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mission u of the South,  
Southfield Hope UMC**  
Conference One Day Mission u  
☐ July 20 \$35

### TOTAL DUE:

**Mission u of the East  
Lake Huron Retreat Center**  
Conference One Day Mission u  
☐ August 15 (with lunch) \$35  
☐ Hands on Mission Event (NO lunch) FREE  
**Two Day Sessions (NO child care)**  
☐ August 15 ~ 6 pm Lodging ONLY \$75  
☐ August 16-17 ~ Overnight/Meals \$120  
☐ August 16-17 ~ Commute/Meals \$75

### TOTAL DUE:

**Mission u of the North, 1st UMC, Gaylord**  
☐ October 21-22 \$65

### TOTAL DUE:

**Mission u Merchandise**

- ☐ Tote Bag \$10
- ☐ T-shirt ☐ S ☐ M ☐ L ☐ XL \$12
- ☐ 2XL ☐ 3XL ☐ 4XL \$14

**TOTAL DUE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**United Methodist Women  
Michigan Conference Annual Celebration**



**Saturday, October 26, 2019**

Howell First UMC 1230 Bower St., Howell, Michigan.

Phone: 517-546-2730

Theme: CELEBRATING 150 YEARS: TOGETHER TOWARDS TOMORROW

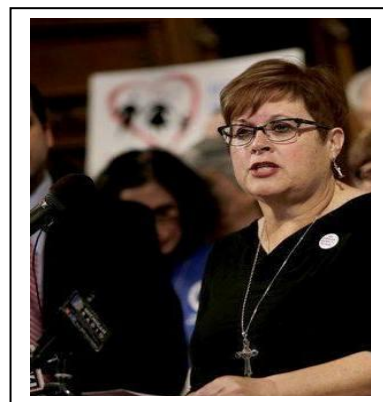
**Registration Cost - \$16 before Oct. 14, \$20 after Oct. 14**

**Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. Program 10 AM to 3 PM**

**SPEAKER:**

**Rev. Dr. Jill Zundel**

Senior pastor at Central United Methodist Church in downtown Detroit.



**Leadership Training for all District officers will be held Friday afternoon with a Legacy Celebration on Friday night in addition to the Organizational Meeting on Saturday. Be watching in The Voice for more details!**

## Registration Form

- Early Bird Registration **Cost is \$16.00**. Early Bird Deadline is October 14, 2019  
Registration postmarked after October 15<sup>th</sup> and walk-in cost is \$20.00. Seating for lunch is limited; we cannot guarantee lunch for walk-ins.
- **Child Care** is available at no cost but must be requested in advance.
- **Tickets will not be mailed; they will be picked up at the Registration under the District and the name of the person ordering.** Please list all attendees on the registration form. PRINT name clearly.

**PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORM SO IT IS READABLE. THANKS**

Name and information for person ordering: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit \_\_\_\_\_

District: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Attendees: \_\_\_\_\_ x 16/ x\$20 (Circle one) = \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed

Make Check payable to **Michigan Conference United Methodist Women**; send check and form (Keep a copy for yourself) to registrar: **Betty Thomas 3339 Moore Street., Inkster, MI 48141 Phone 313-561-4792 Cell 313-929-7920 Email: [bthomas610@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bthomas610@sbcglobal.net); Shirley Chappell, 719 S. Griffin, Grand Haven, MI 49417, Phone (616)846-4197 E-mail: [shirley2billchapel@att.net](mailto:shirley2billchapel@att.net) or Dorie Litchfield (2018) 61470 CR 657, Lawton, MI 49065 Phone (269)436-0023 E-mail: [creator.dorie@gmail.com](mailto:creator.dorie@gmail.com)**

NAME	CHURCH	UNIT
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

### Overnight Stay:

**Two hotels – book your own! Ask for Michigan Conference UMW Rate**

1. **Baymont Wyndham, 4120 Lambert Drive, Howell, Michigan,  
Phone 517-546-0712 (free breakfast)**
2. **Courtyard Marriott, Brighton-7799 Conference Drive, Brighton,  
Michigan Phone - 810-225-9200**

## Mid- Michigan District UMW - Year to Date

1/1/2019 through 6/4/2019

Category	1/1/2019 - 6/4/2019
<b>INCOME</b>	
2018 Pledge Collected	560.00
2018 World Thank Collected	73.00
2019 Epiphany Registration	130.00
2019 Pledge Collected	10,092.50
A&MD From Conference	4,262.50
Add .80 from check # 3383	0.80
Book Sales \$ Collected	58.55
Community House \$ Collected	300.00
Gift In Memory Collected	365.00
Gift To Mission Collected	85.00
Legacy Fund \$ Collected	285.00
Prayer & Self Denial Collected	834.50
SMR Pins-Certificates Collected	120.00
World Thank \$ Collected	273.28
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>17,440.13</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
2019 Pledge Paid	10,652.50
Audit	100.00
Cards Purchased	5.49
Community House \$ Paid	300.00
Epiphany Celebration Expenses	105.00
Epiphany Speaker and Travel Fee	123.45
Gift In Memory Paid	365.00
Gift to Mission Paid	85.00
Legacy Fund \$ Paid	345.00
Messenger Postage	114.30
Messenger Printing	472.54
Mission U Registrations	900.00
Office Supplies	68.15
Prayer & Self Denial Paid	834.50
Returned Check	100.00
Returned Check Fee-\$5	15.00
Sales Tax	3.52
SMR Pins-Certificates Paid	120.00
Spring Renewal Deposit	821.00
Spring Renewal Registration	1,105.00
Stamps	50.00
Travel	286.48
World Thank \$ Paid	346.28
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>17,318.21</b>
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>121.92</b>
<b>CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE</b>	<b>\$ 746.42</b>

## Mid-Michigan District UMW 2020 Proposed Budget

**PLEDGE TO MISSION** **40,000**

### ADMINISTRATION & MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT (A&MD)

**OFFICER EXPENSES:** (Those not associated with District or Conference Expenses)

100	Postage	<u>100</u>
101	Office Supplies	<u>300</u>
103	Travel (including visitations to local units)	<u>1,400</u>
104	Meals	<u>50</u>
105	Printing	<u>50</u>
106	Bank expenses	<u>75</u>
107	Audit	<u>100</u>
108	Dependent care	<u>50</u>
109	Officer Resources/Literature	

**TOTAL OFFICER EXPENSES** **2,125**

**CONFERENCE EVENT EXPENSES:** (Those associated with events, including travel, meals, dependent care, scholarships, when not covered by Conference)

200	Conference Annual Meeting	_____
201	Keep Making Peace Day	_____
202	Mission u	<u>2,000</u>
203	Other Conference Events	_____

**TOTAL CONFERENCE EVENT EXPENSES** **2,000**

**DISTRICT EVENTS EXPENSES:** (Those associated with events, including travel, meals, supplies, printing, dependent care, honoraria, scholarships for local women)

300	District Annual Meeting	<u>550</u>
301	Local Unit Leadership Training	<u>100</u>
302	District Spiritual Growth Retreat	<u>1,000</u>
303	Shepherds/Unit Visitation	
304	Other District Events:	_____
	Epiphany Celebration	<u>300</u>
	_____	

**TOTAL DISTRICT EVENTS EXPENSES** **1,950**

**OTHER EXPENSES:**

400	Newsletter/Directory (including printing & postage)	<u>2,400</u>
401	Program resources (including sales tax)	<u>200</u>
402	District SMR, Gift to Mission, Gift in Memory, etc	<u>300</u>
403	Church Women United	_____
409	Miscellaneous	_____

**TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES** **2,900**

**TOTAL BUDGETED A&MD EXPENSES** **8,975**



## Attention Mid-Michigan District Units

If your unit is planning a fall event that you would like to announce to the entire district, you must provide that information to *The Messenger* editor for the fall (October) edition no later than:

**September 29, 2019**

This is a new policy as NO flyers or announcements will be allowed at this year's Mid-Michigan District Annual Celebration. In the past, flyers and announcements were allowed to be placed on the tables at meal times

We want to be able to advertise your events and hope this will allow a way to communicate your mission projects, bazaars, craft fairs, rummage sales and other sales in advance.

The new events calendar page will be added to *The Messenger* beginning with this issue (see below). Please send any events you would like added to the calendar to Evelyn Bochenek at [ebochenek@aol.com](mailto:ebochenek@aol.com)

### Mid-Michigan District UMW Calendar of Events

#### July 2019

July 10-13, 2019      Mission U, Albion

#### August, 2019

#### September 2019

September 5-6, 2019      Rummage sale at First United Methodist Church, 201 East Ash Street, Mason, MI 48854  
Friday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 12 noon

September 18, 2019      Mid-Michigan District Annual Meeting at Greenstreet UMC, Hastings, Michigan

#### October 2019

October 12, 2019      The Mid-Michigan District First Annual District-wide Conference and hands-on day of service. Further information will be forthcoming but save the date!

October 26, 2019      Michigan Conference Annual Meeting

#### November 2019

#### December 2018

#### January 2020



**Non-Profit Organization**

**U.S. Postage Paid**

**Permit #47**

**Mason, I 48854-1775**

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**Mid-Michigan District**  
**United Methodist Women**

Mason First UMW  
201 East Ash Street  
Mason, MI 48854

### **Dates to Remember**

September 18, 2019	Mid-Michigan District Annual Meeting at Greenstreet UMC, Hastings, MI
October 12, 2019	Mid-Michigan District First Annual District-Wide Conference and Hands-On Day of Service
October 26, 2019	Michigan Conference Annual Meeting