

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN NEWSLETTER (WPW) OF DAYTON, OHIO

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Moderator's Message by Pat Torvik

Presbyterian Women:

What PW Does:

Presbyterian Women understands that scripture asks us to be the hands and feet of Christ in the world. As such, Presbyterian Women provides information about justice and peace and ministry to inform mission and community-building work.

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AH!!! SUMMER

Summer has always been the time for me to look back over the past year and look forward to the next. Perhaps that is because the patterns of my life for much of my youth was driven by the academic calendar. Whatever the reason, the habit stays with me as it does for many of you. Therefore, it seems appropriate as the new Moderator of the Westminster Presbyterian Women (WPW) to consider our past year and plan for the next.

“What is WPW,” you ask? YOU are! Westminster Presbyterian Women (WPW) follows a rich and long heritage of women of all ages and in all walks of life joining together in fellowship, study, mission, and service to our local community, our national community, and our global community. Each of you is part of WPW whether you are an active circle member or you buy cookies at our annual Cookie Walk. Every woman of Westminster is welcome and invited to find the activity that fits your life and allows you to participate in our mission and service activities. We welcome you no matter how much or how little time you have right now to be involved.

Inside this edition of our newsletter you will find descriptions of circles, mission teams, committee and fund-raising activities from our last year, and plans for the upcoming year. Join us. Find the niche that fits you whether it is helping with the Cookie Walk, joining a circle, or attending one of our church-wide events. We look forward to joining hands with you in fellowship, mission, service, AND fun and laughter.

Pat Torvik, WPW Moderator



AHHHHH!!! SUMMER!!!

NOTE: Please call or email Pat to discuss how you can get involved in WPW this year! 937-643-2225 or torvikpa@gmail.com

GET TO KNOW PAT TORVIK A LITTLE BETTER...

Please turn to page 7 to find out a bit more about Pat! Watch for more “Get to Know” features in upcoming WPW newsletters!

FALL GATHERING: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26 AT 6:00 P.M.

Gather for a GREAT time at the Fall Gathering in Fellowship Hall!

- Hear The Reverend Dr. Richard L. Baker, Jr. speak on the *Horizons* study topic of the year: *God's Promise: I Am With You*.
 - Eat great food prepared by the loving hands of your WPW Coordinating Team!
 - Share summer stories over dinner and enjoy each other's company!
- ALL this for just \$6.00 — pay at the door!

Reserve YOUR seat before September 21 by contacting Martha Bell: junebug436@att.net or call her at 937-277-6216.

A Thank Offering opportunity will be provided *via* baskets at each table. This offering will go to Presbyterian Women USA. At least 40% of the national offering will go to world-wide mission and the balance will fund creative new missions — such as the \$15,000 grant awarded to The Castle in Centerville this year!

There will also be an opportunity to donate \$10 / kit for the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance kits.



Details:

- Ask a friend to join you!
- Reserve your space (see details at the left) and pay at the door.
- Please bring money for PDA kits and Thank Offering.

PECAN SALE (OCTOBER 1-22)

How do YOU say it? Some of your friends say: pee-KAHN or PEE-kahn or pee-CAN or pick-AHN.



Regardless of how you say it, DON'T be left out in the cold without YOUR pecans for snacking or baking. (They make GREAT Christmas gifts, too!) Straight from the grower in Alabama, these pecans can be ordered through WPW, starting on October 1 through the October 22 deadline. Delivery dates will be in November; large orders will be delivered to your door. (NOTE: These are "new crop" pecans, so the delivery date is unknown at this point, but they have always arrived before Thanksgiving!) To place an order, you may obtain the order form from the website (www.westminsterdayton.org) or from your WPW circle leader or a Coordinating Team member. Representatives from WPW will be in Fellowship Hall after the services on October 7, 14, and 21 to provide forms and take your order(s). Pecan

options include: pecan halves, pecan pieces, spiced pecans (sugar and cinnamon), and herbed pecans. (Prices TBA soon!) Please contact Julie Preisser (937-474-9721 or julie.preisser@yahoo.com) or Julie Drumheller (937-698-6735 or jdrumheller@woh.rr.com) if you have questions. ALL of the profits go to WPW missions! Please help us beat last year's profit of \$2316.09, which was a 16% increase over 2016's sale. That same 16% increase for this year is a goal of \$2687. Help make that mission goal — while eating healthy, antioxidant, protein-filled pecans at the same time!! (Google "Ways to use pecans" for creative ideas!)



Check out WPW's Web-presence on Facebook and on the WPW webpage of Westminster's website.

Link to WPW Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/pg/WestminsterPresbyterianWomen/posts>

Link to WPW page on the church's website:

<http://westminsterdayton.org/adults/presbyterian-women.html>

DID YOU KNOW THAT THE PW LOGO ILLUSTRATES OUR PURPOSE?



Forgiven and freed by God in Jesus Christ,

(Forgiven and freed by grace through faith, the central figure stands in praise.)

and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves:

(Rooted in faith, the trio of women emerges. The outline of the central figure forms a cross. We are Presbyterian women engrafted in Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit. It is no longer we who live, but Christ who lives in us.)

The PW logo was designed by Sarah (Sally) Abbotts of the Synod of the Covenant. It was adopted in July 1988 and updated in 1999.

This logo, the PW Purpose, and the explanation may be found on the PW website: https://www.presbyterianwomen.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/11/logo_flier-1.pdf

- **to nurture our faith through prayer and Bible study,**

(The right figure holds a book to guide her reading, studying, praying, or meditating.)

- **to support the mission of the church worldwide,**

(The left figure reaches out to care for others as she shares, nurtures and heals. The circle represents the church worldwide where women offer their gifts and talents in the midst of the global community.)

- **to work for justice and peace,**

(The uplifted arms of the central figure reach out to embrace a just peace. The relationship between the three figures depicts lives of wholeness rather than turmoil.)

and to build an inclusive, caring community of women

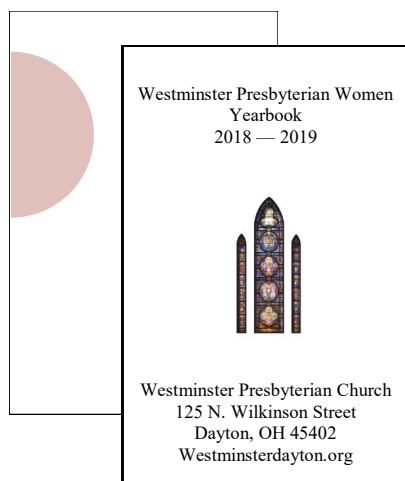
(The three women have no distinct features. They represent all women. The shapes surrounding them express energy, strength, and openness.)

that strengthens the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

(Our name, Presbyterian Women, ties us to our denomination. The Bible resembles the Bible depicted in the PC(USA) seal.)

and witnesses to the promise of God's kingdom.

(Guided by the Purpose, Presbyterian Women witnesses to the reality of God's present realm.)



WPW YEARBOOK: INFORMATION!

WHERE CAN I GET ONE?

WHY DO I NEED ONE?

- General information about WPW
- Purpose and logo—with explanation
- Calendar of WPW and CWU events — and more!
- Coordinating Team names, terms of office
- Circle members and meeting times and places
- Church Women United information
- Ministry and Memorial Teams
- Giving Opportunities (global and local) - many with lists of specific needed items
- Study Resources
- Past Presidents / Moderators
- Directory of all women involved in WPW

Inside the WPW Yearbook (2018—2019), you'll find MANY items of very helpful information — right at your fingertips!

Missed getting one? Contact your circle leader or Pat Torvik or Sandy Vining.

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CIRCLES

CIRCLE AROUND!

WPW has six circles at the present time.

These circles have very different goals and projects. Some meet weekly, some monthly. Some break for some or all of the summer and others continue through the summer. Some meet in homes and some gather at the church. Regardless of their differences, all have an open-door practice to welcome YOU!

Each circle has a descriptive page in the *WPW Yearbook* with a list of current members for each circle.

- **Circle 6** meets at noon at Lincoln Park on the third Wednesday of every month. These ladies support Church Women United and Mercy Manor. Their study program is PW's *Horizons* Bible study.
- **Coffee, Caring, and Crafts Circle** meets on Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. until about 1:30 p.m. in the West Parlor (brown bag lunches). They primarily support Prayer Shawl Ministry and WISE Ministry. (See page 5 for more details.)
- **Evening Circle** meets at 7:00 p.m. on the first Wednesdays from September through June. They meet in members' homes, except for January, February, and March, when they meet in the West Parlor. They support Samaritan Homeless Clinic and Mercy Manor. Their study program is PW's *Horizons* Bible Study.
- **Reading Circle** meets in the Chapel Reception Room at 10:00 a.m. on the third Wednesdays from September through June. (See page 5 for details.)
- **Serendipity Circle** meets at 7:00 p.m. on the second Wednesdays from August through June. They meet in members' homes with occasional August meeting finding them sharing dinner time at a restaurant. They primarily support The Foodbank, Inc. Their study program is PW's *Horizons* Bible study.
- **Sunshine Circle** meets at 9:30 a.m. in the West Parlor on the second Monday of the month (unless noted in the WPW Yearbook) from September through June. (June is a brunch.) They support the YWCA Shelter and Second Shelf. Their study program is a mixture of books and movies with a Christian focus, as well as the occasional guest speaker.

Are you thinking about joining an existing circle? Do you have an idea for a new circle?

Either way, please contact Pat Torvik at 937-643-2225 or email her at torvikpa@gmail.com.

In the meantime, we hope to feature one or two circles in each newsletter!

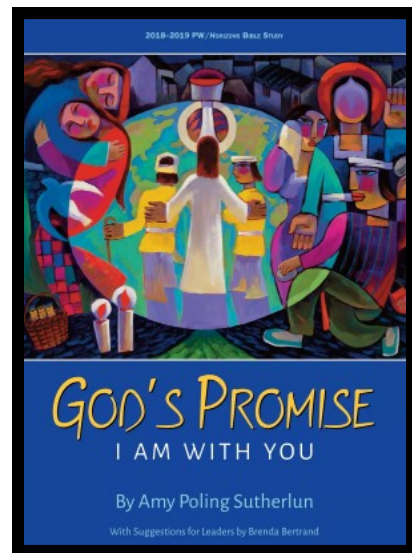
See page 5 for a snapshot of two of our smaller circles:

Coffee, Caring, and Crafts Circle and Reading Circle.

NOTE: Many of the circle members are ordering their *Horizons* Bible study materials through their circle leaders and Moderator Pat Torvik for \$10.00.

Did you also know that you can subscribe to the *Horizons* Magazine — and the Bible study will be included? The cost for one year is \$24.95 (six issues / year); the Bible study and the access to the digital version are also included for free.

If you want only the digital version (no print copy / no Bible study), then the cost is \$15.00. (Go to <https://www.presbyterianwomen.org/subscribe/> for details and other options for saving money on *Horizons* subscriptions.)



MEET COFFEE, CARING, AND CRAFTS (CCC) CIRCLE:

Clickety – clickety – click! These are the sounds that these ladies make while knitting and crocheting with a mission — actually, for SEVERAL missions! They create prayer shawls, baby blankets, and pocket prayer squares for the Prayer Shawl Ministry and they sew on the tags for all the prayer shawls. They create hats and scarves for the W.I.S.E. Ministry (Westminster Invests in Students and Education) for Eastmont and DECA (Dayton Early College Academy) students. Beaded necklaces were crocheted and sent to the U.S. delegation of PW to carry for the global exchange at the international Presbyterian Women's convention in Indonesia. In the past, CCC



Standing: Martha Shields, Julie Arnold, Sheila Hookey. Seated: Marilyn Roddy and Jean Bindeman. Missing: Diana Grimes



Circle made caps for newborns at local hospitals and they created turbans for cancer patients, as well as children's worship bags. One member modified NUMEROUS choir robes for DECA Middle School students!

Cleaning out your crafts corner? Found left-over yarn that you'd LOVE to have worked up into mission projects? Feel free to donate your left-overs to CCC Circle.

(Even tiny amounts of yarn can be made into pocket prayer squares or a brim of a child's cap!)

Current crafts include knitting, crocheting, weaving, and sewing, but these ladies are more than open to other ideas, as well! CCC Circle would definitely LOVE to have YOU join them — regardless of your craft and/or skill level. They meet Thursdays from 10:00 a.m.—1:30 p.m. in the West Parlor. Just show up (brown bag lunch) or call a co-leader: Martha Shields (426-8617) or Sheila Hookey (439-5863).

Can't join them, but would like to contribute to their mission? Please call a leader for information!

MEET READING CIRCLE:

Reading Circle meets at 10:00 a.m. on the third Wednesday of each month, from September through May. They meet in the Chapel Reception Room. They would love to have you join them!

Members of the Reading Circle are: Linda Lane (leader), Jean Bindeman, Dixie Bowsher, Peggy Conner, and Nelle Melko.

Once a book title is chosen for discussion, members read the book prior to the meeting. The members take turns leading the various book discussions.



Jean Bindeman, Dixie Bowsher, Linda Lane (front), and Peggy Conner. Missing: Nelle Melko.

The Reading Circle is currently considering these titles for the this year: *The Summer Before the War* by Helen Simonson; *Andrew Jackson and the Miracle of New Orleans: The Battle That Shaped America's Destiny* by Brian Kilmeade and Don Yaeger; a book by Jimmy Carter (specific title not yet selected); *Make Room for Danny* by Danny Thomas and Bill Davidson; *Cold Hands Warm Heart—Alaskan Adventures of an Iditarod Champion* by Jeff King; and *The (Un)Common Good* by The Reverend Jim Wallis.

Interested in joining these ladies? Please contact Linda Lane at 937-620-6691 or craftlin@woh.rr.com.

MEET YOUR WPW COORDINATING TEAM (CT)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Moderator
Vice Moderator
Secretary
Treasurer
Assistant Treasurer
Coordinator Global Mission
Coordinator Local Mission
Coordinator Studies/Spiritual Development
Coordinator Publicity
Search Committee

Staff Representative

Pat Torvik
TBA
Dominique Myers
Julie Drumheller
Martha Bell
Candace Powers
Jane Shirley
Sandy Vining
Martha Shields
Carol Porter / Marjorie MacKeown
Joyce Ferguson / Andrea Hirtle
The Reverend Nancy Hodgkins



CIRCLE LEADERS:

Circle 6 Circle
Coffee, Caring, and Crafts Circle
Evening Circle
Reading Circle
Serendipity Circle
Sunshine Circle

Jane Rininger
Sheila Hookey/Martha Shields
Jane Shirley
Linda Lane
Martha Shields/Barbara Wilson
Julie Drumheller / Gail Evans

MINISTRY TEAM COORDINATORS:

Come to the Table
Memorial Reception Team

Ruth Neely
Julie Preisser

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Finance
Cookie Walk Co-Chairs
Special Projects
Historian
Church Women United Key Woman

Martha Bell
Dixie Bowsher / Janet Ryan
Julie Preisser
Jane Rininger
Jorja Gladden

WPW CT MEETINGS:

AUGUST 28
OCTOBER 23
FEBRUARY 26
APRIL 23
MAY 28

NOTE: ALL WPW CT MEETINGS ARE HELD IN THE WEST PARLOR AT 5:30 PM.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE:

- All WPW members are welcome to attend and/or speak at the WPW Coordinating Team meetings. Please contact WPW Moderator, Pat Torvik, if you have any questions or concerns about WPW.
- To submit information for the next issue of the WPW Newsletter, please contact Martha Shields, Editor: martha.shields@earthlink.net.



MEET PAT TORVIK (WPW MODERATOR FOR 2018–2020)

In 1964, Pat Torvik, her husband Peter and their two sons (Peter Jr. and Carl) moved to Dayton, where Peter (a Lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force) had been assigned to Wright Patterson Air Force Base as a Professor of Engineering at Air Force Institute of Technology. Pat was a stay-at-home Mom until the two boys entered upper elementary school. In 1969, she enrolled in Wright State University's School of Education. Upon completion of her B.Ed., she taught 6-8th grade math and science while completing her M. Ed. During this time, the Torviks were active members of College Hill Presbyterian Church where Pat had a number of committee assignments including a term on the Session. In 1980, Pat enrolled in graduate school at the Ohio State University, completing her Ph.D. in 1983. She accepted a position at Dayton Mental Health Center in 1980 as the Supervisor of Education for the maximum-security unit of the hospital. She continued to work at the hospital in various administrative positions for the remainder of her career, working up to the position of CEO of the hospital from 1985 until her retirement in 1997. Peter continued to teach at AFIT as a civilian, first as a professor and later as the department head, until his retirement in 1996. They now live in Kettering where both are enjoying retirement. Pat and Peter enjoy traveling, especially when they can take their granddaughter Anna with them. The three



of them have taken a number of trips together including one to France where they met up with son, Peter, Jr. who is a music professor living in France. Anna and Pat recently accompanied Brent Manley on one of his Westminster and Friends trips to New York City.



Pat has been active in a variety of community organizations in Dayton. She was President of the League of Women Voters of the Greater Dayton Area, as well as the Dayton College Women's Club, and she served as Vice President of the Board of Directors of Metropolitan Churches United.

Pat has also served a term on the Board of Directors of South Community and on the Mental Health Foundation. She is a Master Gardener and a Certified Ohio Volunteer Naturalist. Pat is on the Board of Directors of the Friends of the Castle (a local social club for persons dealing with chronic and severe mental illness) and she also manages the database for the Dayton Philharmonic Volunteer Association.

At Westminster, Pat has served as an elder on session, the Pastoral Nominating Committee, and on numerous other committees.

We are indeed fortunate to have Pat as our leader for this two-year term as our WPW Moderator!

What are some of the missions that are supported by WPW?

WPW supports many missions. There are Ministry Teams for Come to the Table and the Memorial Reception Team and, until this year, we have had a ministry team for Project Blessing. There are many Global Mission giving opportunities, such as Celebration Giving, Birthday Offering, Thank Offering, Fellowship of the Least Coin, Honorary Life Membership, and Memorial or Recognition Gift. Other Global Missions include Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Church World Service, Heifer International, and many more through our Miami Presbytery, our Synod of the Covenant, General Assembly's Presbyterian Mission Agency. Local mission opportunities abound and include Mercy Manor, The Food Bank, Inc., Domestic Violence Center (YWCA), Samaritan Homeless Clinic, and many others. We are planning to feature our mission work in this issue and in subsequent issues. In this issue, please read about Project Blessing, Come to the Table, and Mercy Manor. Also, please look in the WPW Yearbook for brief descriptions of many of these missions that are supported by WPW.



Project Blessing: Farewell for now...

**FROM 1979
THROUGH
2017,
PROJECT
BLESSING
HELPED FEED
THE HUNGRY
IN DAYTON —
150 PEOPLE
AT A TIME.**

Adieu, au revoir.... It was just 40 years ago (1978) that the idea was conceived to serve a hot lunch to those in need in Dayton. The location was at St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church on Wayne Avenue in Dayton. Over 30 churches in the greater Dayton area worked together to keep Project Blessing going since the first meal was served. After two years, over 9,000 people had been served; the number grew to 15,000 by the third year. By 1983, noon meals were served on Mondays and Wednesdays and over 250,000 meals were served over the years. Project Blessing continued until the closing of St. Paul at the end of 2017. Volunteers did all the work, including planning, food-prep, serving, and more. Westminster's WPW ministry team for Project Blessing was an active participant in that project. The team purchased some of the food items

and then prepared and served lunches at St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church. Some of the food came from The Food Bank and other food was purchased with funds from the WPW budget. Some of the food was fresh, some was canned, and some was frozen. In the early days, Westminster women cooked turkeys and other dishes on one day, and drove the meal over to St. Paul's on the next day — finishing the cooking on that second day.



Most recently, the team was coordinated by Sheila Hookey. In addition to Sheila, recent volunteers included Jean Bindeman, Carol Faulkner, Joan Swanson, Dede Longstreth, Dominique Myers, and Carolyn Shuey. Substitute volunteers included Liz DeWeese, Susan McCoy, Marilyn Roddy, and Barbara Wiedlund. Some of these ladies worked on Project Blessing ever since its very beginning!

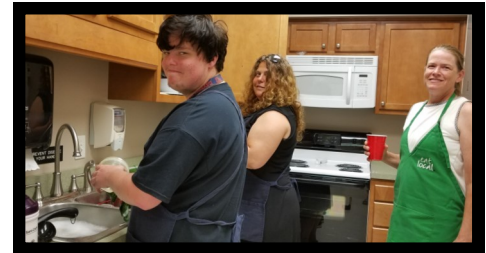
Our humble thanks
to the many dedicated
volunteers of
Project Blessing!





Come to the Table

Spearheaded by Ruth Neely and Sandy Vining, Come to the Table has provided great ministry services from WPW to our area since it began in 2012. As its name implies, tables (of food) are involved — and the invitation is offered for others to join our ministry team! One component of this ministry team involves instructing adult students at Samaritan Homeless Clinic. Students may have arrived at the Clinic from situational or intergenerational poverty situations, and their backgrounds are diverse. Their needs are common: to learn to cook nutritious meals with minimal equipment. The instruction team is comprised of Ruth and Sandy, along with Jean Bindeman, Kim Gartner, Sheila Hookey, Dominique Myers, and Janet Ryan. The instructors purchase needed supplies and head to Samaritan Homeless Clinic on one Tuesday of the month at which point they meet the students, begin instruction in cleanliness and basic cooking skills, including cooking with a versatile electric skillet. Students and teachers prepare a meal together, usually Chili Bean Tomato Macaroni, veggies and a healthy cottage-cheese-based dip—which they share on Day One of the class. They prep some of the food for the following day's class (usually brown rice and chicken breasts).



Day Two involves finishing the cooking of that dish, and preparing a fruit salad with a low-fat yogurt-based sauce for the fresh fruit. Throughout the class sessions, the importance of cleanliness and good nutrition is stressed.

The teachers and students sit down at the tables together and the opportunity for giving the blessing is offered. Our teachers have been incredibly impressed by the powerful blessings that the students have provided.

Great sharing of stories happens during the

classes and the lunches —with the teachers learning as much as the students! As students complete the two-day class, they are each awarded a certificate of achievement, as well as an electric frypan. **NOTE:** The kitchen facilities at Samaritan were made possible by a gift from the memorial fund of Jim Eschbach, Marilla Eschbach's late husband.

Another component of Come to the Table involves making peanut brittle and buckeyes to donate to the WPW Cookie Walk in December. Watch for these yummy treats in December!

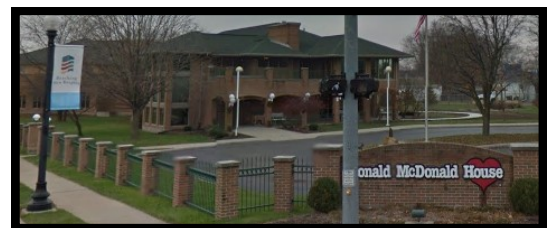
The ministry continues with a third component, which involves creating and delivering meals to families at the Dayton's Ronald McDonald House and the Fisher House at WPAFB. (Ronald McDonald House provides "home-away-from-home" services for families of critically-ill, hospitalized children in Dayton. Fisher House has two compassionate-care houses within walking distance of the base hospital for persons who live 50 miles away and are receiving active care treatment at the hospital; each person may have one non-medical attendee staying with him/her.) The needs vary from hot meals to reheatable meals to healthy snacks.

In addition to those involved in the teaching portion of Come to the Table, the ministry team also has these current members:

Julie Drumheller, Marilla Eschbach, Judy LaRue, Robbie Nash, Sue Perry, Julie Preisser, and Judi Weaver. This group opens its membership and / or volunteer service opportunities to anyone at Westminster!

NOTE: Men have volunteered to help out in the past and they are MOST welcome and appreciated!

NOTE: MANY OF THE STUDENTS DO NOT HAVE ACCESS TO REFRIGERATORS, MICROWAVES, OR STOVES/OVENS. VERSATILE FRYPANS CAN BE USED TO GREAT ADVANTAGE IN THEIR ROOMS!



What is Mercy Manor?



MERCY MANOR, 25 GROSVNOR AVE.

937-268-0282

EMAIL: MERCYMANOR@SBCGLOBAL.NET

HTTP://MERCYMANOR.WIXSITE.COM/MERCYMANOR



Mercy Manor is a recovery house for women. It has been in existence since 1992, thanks to the dream of Sister Jean Foppe and the leadership and support of Church Women United. Begun as a transitional residency program in a former location, and called "Dream House", it served five women. In 2001,

Mercy Manor moved to its current location, where it served ten women at a time. In October of 2015, Mercy Manor changed its focus to a recovery house for women; how long a resident may stay is determined on a case-by-case process involving the client, the executive director and house manager(s), and when needed, a community addiction services provider.

NOTE: It is a 501 (c)(3) organization; EIN is: 31-1317248 and the CFC # is 90378.

Mercy Manor provides services and programs which include:

- Peer-to-Peer Support
- Support in Maintaining a Drug-Free Life
- Spiritual Experiences
- Short / Long Range Goal Setting
- Employment Guidance
- Drug-free Housing
- Medical and Dental Assistance
- Life Skills Training
- Group Counseling
- Mentoring and Role Modeling
- Financial Management Assistance
- Reconnecting with family as appropriate

**"JUDGMENT IS
WITHOUT MERCY
TO THE ONE WHO
HAS SHOWN NO
MERCY.
BUT MERCY
TRIUMPHS OVER
JUDGMENT."
JAMES 2:13**



Touring Mercy Manor is an eye-opening, heart-warming experience. If you are interested in a tour, please contact Martha Shields (martha.shields@earthlink.net) or Jorja Gladden (jagladden59@yahoo.com) or Mercy Manor Executive Director Barbara Hudson-Banner at 937.268.0282 or 937.554.2239.

Barbara can also provide speakers for group presentations.

Download a brochure by clicking on the **About Us** tab of their website.

What Can We Do to Help?

Pray for the residents and all who support Mercy Manor.

Financial Support – financial donations

Clothing & shoes (gently used or new), pajamas, night gowns, robes, slippers, bras, and under panties (new).

Household Supplies: tall kitchen trash bags, paper products (toilet tissue, paper towels, napkins, facial tissues), liquid hand soap, liquid dish detergent, automatic dishwasher detergent, furniture polish, laundry detergent, Lysol, Pine Sol or equivalent, window cleaner, Comet, Soft Scrub, etc.

Personal Hygiene Products: sanitary napkins (super maxi, regular), tampons, soap, body wash, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, body lotion, Vaseline, toothpaste, tooth brushes, etc.

Multi-purpose Products: Kroger Gift Cards for food for new residents, gift cards to Meijer, alarm clocks, clock radios, umbrellas, postage stamps for personal correspondence, coffee creamer, batteries of all sizes for CD players, cameras, etc.

For the Women Going to Independent Living Apartments: Floor or table lamps, light bulbs, mops, brooms, scrub buckets, trash cans for kitchen or bathroom, furniture (kitchen tables, dining room furniture, beds, dressers, coffee tables, desks, chairs, sofas, washers and dryers, etc.), rugs for kitchen or bathroom, bath mats, shower curtains, coffee makers, toaster ovens, pots, pans, dishes, glasses, flatware, televisions, DVD players, etc.

Can YOU help? Please contact Jorja Gladden!

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED IN GREATER DAYTON, OHIO

Did you know that Westminster's WPW belongs to CWU as an organizational member and that twenty-one of our members / worshippers belong to CWU? Currently there are two WPW CT members who are on the CWU board: Martha Shields (Publicity and Webmaster) and Jorja Gladden (CWU Key Woman). The Key Woman is our liaison between WPW and CWU.

Church Women United is a racially, culturally, theologically inclusive Christian women's movement, celebrating unity in diversity, and working for a world of peace and justice. The Greater Dayton organization is part of the national organization. Currently CWU/Dayton membership includes about 450 women from about 45 churches in our area.

Did you know that CWU founded Mercy Manor in 1992? Westminster WPW members continue to provide much support for Mercy Manor! For more information, visit the website: <http://mercymanor.wixsite.com/mercymanor>.)

The events for the program year 2018—2019 for CWU in Greater Dayton include those listed below. (NOTE: Most of these events are FREE and do not require a reservation. The Emma Murray Prayer Breakfast is the only exception; a reservation is required (call Jorja Gladden) and there is a \$10.00 fee for the event.)

- **World Community Day** (Saturday, November 17, 2018 at 1:00 pm)
Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church, 500 Belmonte Park N., Dayton
- **Christmas Tea** (Monday, December 3, 2018 at 1:00 pm)
United Christian Church of Clayton, 8611 Hoke Rd., Clayton
- **Emma Murray Prayer Breakfast** (Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at 9:30 am)
Corinthian Baptist Church, 700 S. James H. McGee Blvd., Dayton
(\$10.00 luncheon charge and reservations required)
- **May Friendship Day** (Friday, May 3, 2019 at 1:00 pm)
Bethel Baptist Church, 401 S. Paul Laurence Dunbar St., Dayton
- **Human Rights Celebration** (Monday, June 10, 2019 at 1:00 pm)
Dorothy Lane American Baptist Church, 960 W. Dorothy Lane, Dayton

Basic Membership in CWU is just \$5.00 and includes a quarterly newsletter; **supporting membership** is just \$20.00 and includes a \$15.00 donation to CWU's local ministries.

Please support CWU with YOUR membership — even if your calendar precludes you from attending the events. See Jorja Gladden for a membership form. **PLEASE join CWU by mid-September!**

(NOTE: Please do not mail in the form to CWU. Please turn it in to your circle leader or to Jorja Gladden or leave it in the church office in an envelope marked "Jorja Gladden.") Checks may be made out to "Church Women United." Questions? Contact Jorja Gladden at 937-477-5662 or jagladden59@yahoo.com.

For more information about Church Women United in Greater Dayton, please visit the website: <https://www.cwudaytonoh.org>.



CWU's motto:
"Agreed to Differ —
Resolved to Love —
United to Serve"

NOTE (FYI):

CWU Board meetings (for our Key Woman) include:

Fourth Tuesdays at 1:00 pm in the months of August, September, October, March, April, and May.

All of these meetings are held at Memorial Presbyterian Church 1541 Smithville Rd. Dayton, OH.

Our Key Woman (Jorja Gladden) will attend these meetings for us, but please know that you are most welcome to attend if you would like to do so!

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Consider adding one or more of these to your FALL 2018 To-Do List!



Whether you wish to spend much time or just a little, WPW has “the perfect fit” for you — and your calendar! Please consider increasing your current involvement by just 1 hour per month. Your rewards will be many!

- Join a circle if you haven’t done so already. (Call Pat Torvik at 937-643-2225)
- Sign up for the Sept. 26 Fall Gathering by September 21.
(Contact Julie Drumheller: jdrumheller@woh.rr.com or 937-698-6735.)
- Add one of the mission projects to your personal calendar and/or your financial contributions. (Contact Pat Torvik or Martha Bell for information.)
- Visit Mercy Manor for a tour. (Contact Martha Shields to arrange it.)
- Join Church Women United and attend an event. (Contact Jorja Gladden.)
- Add these dates to your personal calendar: (Also see page 5 for WPW CT dates.)
 - Wed., Sept. 26 at 6:00 pm: WPW Fall Gathering in Fellowship Hall
 - Oct. 7 & 14, after the service: Pecan orders taken in Fellowship Hall
 - Nov. (TBA), after the service: Pick up your ordered pecans in the Library
 - Sat., Nov. 17 at 1:00 pm: CWU World Community Day
 - Mon., Dec. 3 at 1:00 pm: CWU Christmas Tea (honoring pastors, etc.)
 - Fri., Dec. 14 at 12:10 pm: WPC Noonday Carol Sing (and luncheon)
 - Tues., Mar. 19 at 9:30 am: CWU Emma Murray Prayer Breakfast
 - Sat., Mar. 30 at 10:00 am: WPW Spring Gathering (Fellowship Hall)
 - Fri, May 3 at 1:00 pm: CWU May Friendship Day
 - Fri, May 3 at 6:00 pm: Cinco de Mayo FUNdraiser, Moraine Country Club
 - Mon., June 10 at 1:00 pm: CWU Human Rights Celebration