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Church Women United in Greater Dayton — April 2019

Emma Murray Prayer Breakfast

What a magnificent prayerful event this was! Over 150 attended!
Thank you, Corinthian Baptist Church, for hosting us!



May Friendship Day Salad Luncheon!

International Theme: The Time is NOW!
“Agree to Differ” on Friday, May 3 at 1:00 p.m.
Bethel Baptist Church. Salad Luncheon provided.
No charge to attend, but donations are accepted!



We will be recognizing two Valiant Women at this meeting. Please remember to bring your church's **International Fellowship of the Least Coin (IFLC)** donations to be gathered at this meeting. IFLC is an ecumenical movement of prayers for peace and reconciliation. Each time a woman prays for justice, peace, and reconciliation she sets aside the least coin of her currency. Each year 35-50 projects are awarded Least Coin grants globally. You can view them at <http://www.flc.net.ph/>. For example, in 2018 the Community Presbyterian Church of Charlestown, IN, was awarded \$4000 for D.I.A.P.E.R. (Diapering Infants and Providing Emergency Resources) Project – which aims to provide diapers and other essential baby items to low-income families in their area. A second example is the awarding of \$2500 to WOCOTOMADI (World Coming Together to Make a Difference) First Rural Women Farm Project Cameroon, Africa. That grant provides healthcare, and promotes agricultural yield of farms, and health and education.

Our program this year will celebrate human rights, and the program will follow the international CWU's program guidelines. Reservations are NOT required.

Human Rights Celebration

Recall that this is the meeting at which we celebrate the Human Rights Award recipient. This year's recipient is The Foodbank, Inc., which provides food to the food pantries and individuals in need from three counties: Montgomery, Greene, and Preble. Please join us to hear from dynamic Lee Alder, Development Director of The Foodbank, Inc. Please bring non-perishable food items to donate. Our area ranks 42nd out of 108 nationally in Metropolitan Statistical Areas. One of every six local households has food hardships.

Theme: The Time is NOW!
“Unite to Serve”
Monday, June 10 at 1:00 p.m.
at the Dorothy Lane
American Baptist Church

<https://thefoodbankdayton.org/>

NEW
Membership
Process!

MEMBERSHIPS (2019—2020): Church/ Organizational Memberships, and individual memberships for 2019-2020 will be accepted from Key Women at May and June celebration events. Forms: online and on page 6 and 7.

President's Message from Jerri Wood

Greetings of peace, joy and hope!

While writing today I don't "see" spring out of my window. I see it snowing, barren trees and people bundled up in the cold.... Yet, I **know** soon it will be spring! As Christians, we have within us a hope that even when we don't "see," we still have confidence and assurance of God's plan. "For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the LORD, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope." (Jeremiah 29:11) When God's plan is fulfilled in our lives, in our churches, in our ladies' groups, and in our families, we must thank and praise God! And when we praise, let us "praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that we have seen." (Luke 19:37b)

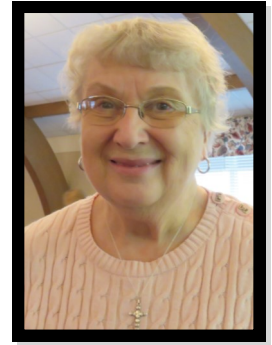
After two wonderful years serving as your president, I say boldly and loudly, "What a privilege it is to serve with you in CWU and witness His power!"

We have come together in fellowship, in prayer, in serving our community with love.

I have met so many wonderful women who care for each other and for our community. We have collected eyeglasses to help the sightless, supported groups like NJOY who help the hungry, supported Shoes for the Shoeless who help children in need, heard about Miracle Club House which helps the weak become strong and grow in faith. We have sponsored a "Healthy Heart" event, learned about Adolescent, Oasis Life Enrichment Center, Salvation Army, St. Vincent's Women's Shelter, and the YWCA. We have supported Mercy Manor by helping women become whole. We have walked for CROP Walk, assembled health and school kits, and collected dollars for blankets. Yet have we shared what we have done in CWU with your local group? I challenge each one of you to be bold and tell about what you have seen or experienced. For we need to declare how much God has done through us as we follow Him to be light in the darkness.

Although I don't "see" our future, still I **know** that CWU in Greater Dayton will continue to serve and love.

Fondly Serving Together,
Jerri Wood, President 2017-2019



**CWU
President
Jerri Wood
(2017—2019)**

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Q & A Corner:

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Questions? Contact Editor Martha Shields: martha.shields@earthlink.net

QUESTION: Why is there a new form for individual memberships?

ANSWER: Going to the full-page format is advantageous for several reasons! First, this form can be emailed easily in a fillable format. It can be found on-line quickly from any computer. The forms are available NOW for 2019—2020 without waiting for printing and distribution at the August board meeting. AND There is a savings in printing costs!

QUESTION: What does "fillable format" mean?

ANSWER: Fillable format means that when you open the form on a computer, you can type in all the blank lines. Then you can fill out the form and print it. Give the form to your Key Woman.

QUESTION: Do I have to fill out the form on a computer before I print it?

ANSWER: No, you may just open the form, print it, fill it out by hand, and give it to your Key Woman.

CWU in Greater Dayton has a WEBSITE! Find MANY resources at www.cwudaytonoh.org:

- Posters with maps to our meetings and follow-up photos of our events
- Dates of our programs, board meetings, and executive committee meetings
- Current officers, Purpose, Logo, Bylaws, History, Newsletters and Membership Info!
- Other events in the local area that are related to CWU — and MORE!
- Questions? Contact Webmaster Martha Shields (martha.shields@earthlink.net)

www.cwudaytonoh.org

Website

May Friendship Day Celebration

Friday, May 3, 2019 at 1:00 p.m.
Please join us!

Program provided and salad luncheon served.
No Charge and Reservations NOT Required
(Donations will be accepted.)

CWU Hostesses:
Reaner Jackson (937-268-4895)
and Dianna Bringham (937-238-3721)



Questions? Please contact your church's Key Woman: _____

Location: Bethel Baptist Church, 401 S. Paul Laurence Dunbar St., Dayton, Ohio
Remember: Please bring along your church's donations for Fellowship of the Least Coin.

DIRECTIONS: From downtown Dayton: Take 4th Street west. It becomes 5th Street and then Germantown St. Turn right onto S. Paul Laurence Dunbar Street. The church and the parking lot will be on your left at the corner just before reaching Home Ave.

Alternatively: Take 3rd Street west for 1.2 miles and turn left onto S. Paul Laurence Dunbar Street. The church and parking lot will be on your right after you cross Home Ave. (From downtown, the trip is about five minutes.)

Human Rights Celebration

Monday, June 10, 2019 at 1:00 p.m.
Please join us!

Program provided and refreshments served.
No Charge - Reservations NOT Required

CWU Hostesses:
Jerri Wood (937-293-7225) from Dorothy Lane
Baptist and Jorja Gladden (937-477-5662)
from Westminster Presbyterian



Questions? Please contact your church's Key Woman: _____

NOTE: Valiant Woman and Human Rights Awards will be presented at this meeting.

Location: Dorothy Lane Baptist Church, 960 West Dorothy Lane Rd., Kettering, Ohio

DIRECTIONS: From downtown Dayton: Take Ludlow St. south; it turns into Patterson Rd. and then S. Dixie Ave. Continue to W. Dorothy Lane. Turn left. The church will be about .6 mile on the right. Note, if you take I-75 south from Dayton, then take Exit 50B and turn left onto N. Springboro Pike. Go about 1 mile and turn left onto W. Dorothy Lane Rd; the church will be about 1.5 miles on your right. Parking is behind the church.

Upcoming events around the Greater Dayton Area:

A Community Celebration: An Afternoon of Love, Unity, Peace & Diversity”

will be held at McIntosh Park at the intersection of Edwin C. Moses Blvd. and West Riverview Avenue. The rally will take place on May 25 from 1:00—3:00 p.m.

The Dayton Unit NAACP’s intent is to hold an event that is a family-friendly, block-party style celebration with speakers, music, and spoken word.



Church Women United in Ohio will hold the **93rd Ohio CWU Leaders Council and State Assembly** on Friday, April 26 and Saturday, April 27 at the Disciples of Christ Church, 120 Columbus St., Wilmington, OH 45177.

Theme: The Time is NOW! Ecclesiastes 3:1.

Questions: Call Ina Green at 937-263-5285 (home) or 937-344-6029 (cell) or email her at inagreen1946@woh.rr.com.

Go to our website for the registration form that is due by April 12. Choose Registration form. <https://www.cwudaytonoh.org/2019-93rd-oh-cwu-leaders-councilstate-assembly.html>.

Come to the Craft Fair at Dorothy Lane American Baptist Church, 960 West Dorothy Lane on April 27 from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Proceeds will support the ministry of the Christian Education Board with summer activities for children and youth. All are welcome

to this craft fair that will include items that you just can’t refuse to buy!

Questions? Contact Jerri Wood: jswood3gk@gmail.com / 937-293-7225.

Craft Fair!

REMINDER ABOUT 2019 — 2020: CWU is planning now for 2019 - 2020. Below is a list of what we know so far. Would YOUR church like to change a “TBA” to YOUR church’s name and address? Contact Vice President Cecelia Long at cealong48@gmail.com. NOTE: A host church may have some flexibility in adjusting the date, if necessary. Please check with Cecelia.



World Community Day Christmas Tea

Saturday, November 16, 2019 at 1:00 pm LOCATION: TBA
Monday, December 2, 2019 at 1:00 pm

Summit Christian Church, 4021 Denlinger, Rd. Trotwood, Key Woman: Ina Green

Emma Murray Prayer Breakfast

Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. LOCATION: TBA

May Friendship Day

Saturday, May 9, 2020 at 1:00 pm LOCATION: TBA

Human Rights Celebration

Monday, June 8, 2020 at 1:00 pm LOCATION: TBA

REMINDER ABOUT MEMBERSHIPS (2019—2020): We will accept Church/ Organizational Memberships, as well as individual memberships beginning with the May and the June events.

Please use the forms on pages 6 and 7 or use the fillable forms that are on-line. (www.cwudaytonoh.org/membership)

Missions associated with Church Women United in Greater Dayton—and how our CWU-associated women's groups work to meet the many needs of our local and/or global community!!

The Women's Association at Sugar Creek Presbyterian Church has helped support mission trips to the Dominican Republic for many years. Members Marylou Somogyi and Barbara Neyhouse, have gone on these week long mission trips nine (9) times and four (4) times respectively. For all of these trips, the Women's Association has donated generously to help the people of the Dominican Republic. Many times, the donation went to Monte Cristo, a very primitive nursing home. Other times, including this year, money has gone to improve the lives of the women and girls at the Lily House, a home to shelter those who are recovering from different types of sexual abuse.



Dorothy Lane American Baptist Church Mission Projects.

The women support the American Baptist Racetrack Ministry by donating items for the chaplain who serves Ohio racetracks of Beulah and River Downs. They donated clothing, school supplies, and Christmas gifts for use at the two racetrack backside.

They also support Judson Retirement Village in Cincinnati with donation of items for their residents. Most recently, they donated six bags of paper products to Dayton Christian Center on Riverview Ave.



Reminder: Mercy Manor can ALWAYS use your help!

Please check the WISH LIST on Mercy Manor's website:
<https://mercymanor.wixsite.com/mercymanor/wish-list>.

Will YOU and/or YOUR church be able to help with the mission work going on at Mercy Manor?



Catch the Building Spirit is receiving joint support from thirteen churches in the greater Dayton area to build a Habitat for Humanity House.

Seven (7) Catholic parishes and six (6) Presbyterian churches are involved. To raise money, a Cinco de Mayo Mexican buffet dinner with entertainment and silent auction is being held on May 3 at Moraine Country Club. Baskets are being donated for the silent auction. All proceeds will benefit this wonderful building program.

What better way to help out and have fun at the same time?

Westminster Presbyterian Women are spear-heading this FUNdraiser dinner. Donations are welcome; send checks to Westminster Presbyterian Women, 125 N. Wilkinson St, Dayton, OH 45402. Questions? Contact Pat Torvik: torvikpa@gmail.com.



CHURCH WOMEN UNITED IN GREATER DAYTON

Membership form for 2019—2020

Please turn this form in (with payment) to your church's Key Woman

Questions? Contact President Cecelia Long at cealong48@gmail.com or 937-972-7045.

Please Print:

Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

Email: _____

Church: _____

Denomination: _____

Key Woman: _____

Please check/complete ONE of these three payment OPTIONS:

BASIC DUES ONLY: \$5.00 _____

(Note: The BASIC dues option goes toward printing/mailing costs.)

SUPPORTING DUES ONLY: \$20.00 _____

(Note: Supporting dues option includes \$5.00 Basic dues
and \$15.00 donation to our local CWU's ministry.)

OTHER: \$5.00 + donation of _____ **= total of** _____

(Note: Your donation beyond the \$5.00 goes to our local CWU's ministry.)

For CWU Officer Use Only:

Certified by Treasurer:

Certified by Membership Chair:

Date: _____

Total amount submitted: _____

Check No. _____ Cash _____ Other _____

Were you ever a CWU member in the past? _____

Were you a CWU member last year? _____

ORGANIZATIONAL FEES AND DONATIONS (2019—2020)

NAME OF CHURCH _____

ADDRESS _____ ZIP _____ PHONE _____

KEY WOMAN _____ PHONE _____

CHURCH FEE* \$25 _____ DONATION _____ TOTAL _____

*Annual membership for churches and organizations is \$25.00 MINIMUM. However, contributions in excess of this amount are greatly needed in order to help promote and carry out CWU's ongoing programs within our community. Your increased support is deeply appreciated. Please make checks payable to CHURCH WOMEN UNITED IN GREATER DAYTON and mail with form to:

Anna Whatley

1112 Crocus Dr.

Dayton, OH 45417-4420

***Key Women!! Please ask your church to partner with us by contributing a minimum of \$25.00.**

SPECIAL NOTE from Eleanor Jerman: At the most recent (2018) General Assembly (Presbyterian Church of the U.S.A.), the following action was approved: The 223rd General Assembly commends the "Letter from Birmingham City Jail," written by Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., to the church for study, as a resource that provides prophetic witness that inspires, challenges, and educates both church and world, and furthermore, to begin the process outlined in G6.03 to include it in the Book of Confessions. (The Book of Confessions is Part 1 of the PCUSA's Constitution; The Book of Order is the other.) Sugar Creek Presbyterian Church is currently doing a six-week study of Dr. King's letter, the context into which it was written, and its relevance for the Church (specifically the PCUSA) today. The assembly action and supporting materials can be accessed at <https://www.pcbiz.org/#/search/3000321>.



Your CWU Executive Committee Officers at work!!

The executive committee met on January 22, 2019 at Memorial Presbyterian Church. This group meets three times a year in addition to the six regular board meetings.

Front row: Anna Whatley. **Row 2:** Dianna Brigham, Judy Philpot, Gail Penney. **Row 3:** Jerri Wood, Claudia Chapman, Doris Moore. **Back Row:** Margaret Hunt, Cecelia Long, Evelyn Harrison, Costella Terrell. (Publicity Chair Martha Shields was the photographer.) **Absent:** Ina Green, Barbara Hayden, Gloria Scott, Reaner Jackson, Deborah Vance, Dolores Thurman, and Marilyn Moritz.

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COMING EVENTS this program year and also into 2019—2020

Apr. 23, 2019 (Tues.)	1:00 pm	BOARD MEETING (including all Key Women/denominational secretaries) Memorial Presbyterian Church, 1541 Smithville Rd., Dayton
April 26, 2019 (Fri.)	11:30 am	93rd Ohio CWU LEADERS COUNCIL / STATE ASSEMBLY , Wilmington, Ohio
— April 27, 2019 (Sat.)	8:30 am	First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) ,120 Columbus Street, Wilmington
May 3, 2019 (Fri.)	1:00 pm	MAY FRIENDSHIP CELEBRATION , Bethel Baptist, 401 S. Paul Laurence Dunbar St.
May 28, 2019 (Tues.)	1:00 pm	BOARD MEETING (including all Key Women/denominational secretaries) Memorial Presbyterian Church, 1541 Smithville Rd., Dayton
June 10, 2019 (Mon.)	1:00 pm	HUMAN RIGHTS CELEBRATION / ANNUAL MEETING , Dorothy Lane American Baptist Church, 960 W. Dorothy Lane Road, Kettering
June 25, 2019 (Tues.)	1:00 pm	Executive Board Meeting (for CWU officers and committee chairs)
Nov. 16, 2019 (Sat.)	1:00 pm	World Community Day (Location TBA)
Dec. 2, 2019 (Mon.)	1:00 pm	Christmas Tea (Summit Christian Church, 4021 Denlinger Rd., Trotwood
Mar. 17, 2020 (Tues.)	9:30 am	Emma Murray Prayer Breakfast (Location TBA)
May 9, 2020 (Sat.)	1:00 pm	May Friendship Day - bring Fellowship of the Least Coin moneys (Location TBA)
June 8, 2020 (Mon.)	1:00 pm	Human Rights Celebration (Location TBA)

2019-20 Board meetings: 1:00 pm at Memorial Presbyterian Church (Aug. 27, Sept. 24, Oct. 29, Feb. 25, Apr. 28, May 28)

THE NEXT NEWSLETTER WILL BE PREPARED FOR MAILING AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH (DOWNTOWN) ON WEDNESDAY, August 14, 2019. NOTE: Submission deadline: July 15, 2019.

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