



# Church of the Saviour United Methodist Women June 2009

## **Board Meeting**

**June 2, 2009**

9:30 a.m. Room 121

## **General Meeting**

**June 9, 2009**

11:00 a.m. Memorial Service &  
Communion, Chapel  
12:00 Salad luncheon and  
installation of new officers,  
Calvary Hall



## **President's Message**



Summer is here. The trees are that fresh new green, flowers are blooming, baseball is in full swing and vacations are being planned. I think of the song verse "summertime and the livin' is easy." The UMW has completed another program year. Lest you think we are on vacation for three months, think again. Some of us will be going to Mission School, others will be planning next year's programs or baking, as needed, for funeral receptions, sending baby cards or keeping track of members who are grieving or ill. That's in addition to all the other church activities we participate in. So, summertime is easier, but we still have a lot to do.

If you have program ideas, share them with me. It helps the program committee to have a variety of ideas when they plan for the next program year. Please say "Yes" when

we ask you to make cookies. Liz Mull has to make a number of calls and I can tell you from experience it sure is rewarding when the person on the other end says, "Sure, I can do that!"

United Methodist Women have been saying, "Sure, I can do that!" for many years. They collected pennies to send out the first foreign missionary, and marched for women to get the vote. Each year women around the world raise money to improve the lives of other women and children. Girls, some as young as seven, who have been sold into prostitution or married to an older man, circumcised or have given birth at too young an age, have received shelter and medical help. Schools have been opened. Women have been taught marketable skills in order to earn money and feed their children. (We learned of women who had to make mud bread to feed their children.)



We learned about all this and much more this past year through our chapel time and mission programs. At the June General Meeting, we will vote on the budget for next year and determine which projects we will support with our excess monies.

Last year the North Coast District of UMW sent \$70,000 to the Women's Division. That took a lot of bake sales, dinners, fleas etc. "Sure, I can do that!" was said many times over.

I want to thank all 26 of you who participated in UMW Sunday. Also thanks to all who helped with the two breakfasts and lunches served at the District Lay Speakers Academy. All did a fine job. Vera



The current balance is \$2,861.58. All donations in the budget have been made for the end of the year. All bills have been paid. We continue to receive donations for the Flea Market. Please remember to pay your pledge before the end of June, so the books can be closed. The budget is being prepared for next year. It will be voted on at the June meeting.

**Education for Mission****Frances Fisher**

It is not too late to enroll in a School of Christian Mission--either at Mt. Union in July or Lakeside in September. You would have an opportunity to meet other Christian women, eat good food (no cooking or dishwashing), learn about an interesting world topic, and have an inspiring worship experience. There are also classes for children and youth. Some topics of study this year are: "The Beauty and Courage of Sudan," "Giving Our Hearts Away: Native American Survival," and "Food and Faith." Registration forms can be found at the information desk in the narthex (or see Frances Fisher).

**Possession Bags:** Throughout the summer, keep collecting full size soaps, full size toothpaste, shampoo, combs, pocket pack tissue, playing cards, note pads, pencils. They will be collected in November.

**Church Women United**

Cookies for the USO can be brought to the church on August 16. Cookies can be home baked or purchased (these have a longer shelf life) but all are welcome. The USO distributes these cookies to the young men and women (and their families) who serve our country. These are much appreciated. Watch the Chimes and bulletins this summer for reminders of date of collection.

**OMV Identification forms**

I have had several requests for the Ohio Motor Vehicle identification form for next of kin emergency contact. I will still make one available if you call me (Frances Fisher 440-473-1404).

**The Education Corner****Martha Neebes****Safety Tips for Women**

- Keep copies of all your important information, i.e., credit cards, passport, driver's license, and so forth.
- Carry with you a current list of all your medications, medical conditions, and doctors.
- Use your cell phone contact list to store numbers of a person to notify in case of an emergency – star this person's name.
- Keep in touch with family, friends, and neighbors. Let them know your itinerary when you are traveling.
- When traveling, take copies of your prescriptions and extra medications, first aid kit, and an extra pair of glasses.

**Have a great summer!**