

Church Women United in Columbia, Missouri.

~ Established nationally in 1941 ~ Columbia Unit established in 1945 ~

2008 Calendar of Events ~ Theme: "Living in God's Wisdom"

Monthly meetings on 1st Fridays of Feb., Apr., Oct., Dec.: Gather 9:20 AM to begin promptly at 9:30 AM. We open with Prayer and 15-minute Bible study; then Business Meeting; Program/Speaker: 10:45 AM.

Mar. see schedule below for World Day of Prayer These five months we enjoy Shared Lunch - each bringing one 'Carry-in dish' such as a salad, vegetable, meat, few sandwiches, fruit or dessert.

NOTE: May is 1st Friday evening Carry-in Salad/Fruit/Dessert Supper; Sept. is 1st Friday evening Carry-in Dinner. Jan. & Nov. are 2:30 PM Sunday afternoon events with light refreshments provided by Hostess Church.

- Sun., Jan. 20** Annual Meeting 2:30 PM at Missouri United Methodist 204 S. 9th (Tour new bldg. 2:00, if wish) Adopt '08 Budget; Inspirational Speaker: Rev. Karen McClure, Pastor Russell Chapel CME. Installation of Officers & Committee Chairs: Rev. Julia Wills, Co-Pastor St. Andrew's Lutheran
- Fri., Feb. 1** Meeting 9:30 AM at Russell Chapel C.M.E. 108 E. Ash; Bible study & Business; Program at 10:45 AM: Celebrating Black History & Human Rights Noon: Shared Lunch
- Fri. Mar. 7** World Day of Prayer at St. Andrews Lutheran, 914 W. Blvd. S. "God's Wisdom Provides New Understanding" worship written by Christian women of Guyana, a nation in South American; 10:00 AM Worship Service includes Bible Study; Noon Lunch Offering goes to World Day of Prayer and International Grants
- Fri., Apr. 4** Meeting: 9:30 AM at Mt. Celestial Church, 1410 Grand Ave. Program: The Intersection by Dana Battison, Director. Silent Auction; Noon: shared lunch
- Fri. May 2** Carry-in Salad, Fruit & Dessert - 5:15 PM at Second Missionary Baptist Church, 407 E. Broadway Celebration of May Friendship Day MFD. Offering goes ½ to Missouri CWU and ½ local. Theme: "God's Wisdom Inspires Hospitality" Ingathering of Internatl. Fellowship of Least Coin.

June 19-22 National CWU Ecumenical Gathering "Claim a New Vision Together" in Independence, Missouri at Community of Christ International Headquarters

- Fri., Aug. 1** 9:30 AM Planning Meeting for Officers & Chairs at Wilkes Blvd. United Methodist. No lunch
- Fri., Sept. 5** 5:15 PM Carry-in Dinner at St. Luke United Methodist Church, 204 East Ash
6:15 PM - Speaker: Phil Steinhaus, Director of Columbia Public Housing
- Fri. Oct. 3** 9:30 AM at Columbia United Church of Christ (UCC), I-70 Dr. N.W. Noon: Shared Lunch
Program: Peggy Kirkpatrick, Executive, Central Missouri Food Bank. Nominations Report.
- Sun. Nov. 2** 2:30 PM Celebration of World Community Day at Missouri United Methodist Church, 204 S. 9th
Theme: "God's Wisdom Sets Us Free" Election of Leaders.
- Fri., Dec. 5** 9:30 AM Meeting to plan '09 programs/calendar at Community United Methodist; Christmas Lunch
- 2009 Fri., Jan 2** 9:30 - 11:00 AM Planning & Orientation- important for Officers/Chairs to attend;
at Fairview United Methodist, 3200 Chapel Hill Rd.. No lunch
- 2009 Sun. Jan 18** 2:30 PM 2009 Annual Meeting at First Baptist Church, Broadway and Waugh

Guest speakers, visitors, anyone attending for the first time, Church Pastor & Church Secretary are invited as our Guests for meal at those meetings having lunch or dinner.

Thank you to each Hostess Church for providing meeting space & arrangements, greeters & hostesses, registration & nametags, drinks, tableware and the Blessing of the food.

Each Hostess Church also is invited ~please~ to introduce its Pastor, Office Secretary and Women's President, one of whom is welcome to share (3-5 minutes) something special about the congregation, its history or its ministry.

Please contribute as you are able and as you wish:

- We gather canned food/staples & \$\$ for Central MO. Food Bank Pantry each meeting.
- Our "Love Offering" for local CWU is received in a basket on table each meal.