



United Women in Faith

We believe love in action can change the world.

Winter 2023

The Trinity
Trumpeter



Welcome one another, therefore, just as
Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.
Romans 15:7

The United Women in Faith of the Trinity District invite everyone to join us for our events and to share with us your stories of mission and love for Jesus.

United Women in Faith
Trinity District Newsletter
February 2023
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District and Conference Events

The Trinity District Leadership Team will meet next on **Thursday, March 9, at 2 p.m., by zoom.**
Normally the Team meets virtually on the 2nd Thursday of every month, at 2 p.m.

TRINITY DISTRICT UWF 2023 EVENTS CALENDAR

- February 5, 12, 19, 26 Virtual Mission u**
4 sessions of a Virtual Mission u,
Sunday afternoons in February, 2022
2 pm – 4:30 pm
- April 21-22 Trinity District Gathering – Online & in Wiley**
(part of what use to be “district charge conference
- May 6 Trinity District Online District Gathering**
(business meeting of what use to be called
district charge conference)
- May 19 – 20 Mountain Sky UWF Virtual Spiritual Life Retreat**
- June 10 Trinity District UWF Spiritual Retreat**
Lamar, CO & Virtual
Programming Details TBA
- June 21 – 24 Mountain Sky Annual Conference**
Colorado Springs, CO
Program: Mtn Sky Conf UWF Breakfast
Saturday, June 24th 7 am
- July 11, 18, 25 & August 1 Mountain Sky UWF Virtual Mission u**
4 sessions of a Virtual Mission u, Tuesday evenings
7 pm – 9:30 pm
More details TBA
- September 23 Trinity District Annual Gathering**
9:00 am – 2:00 pm
Programming Details TBA
- October 12-14 Mountain Sky UWF Annual Gathering**
Billings, MT & Virtual

News from Trinity District Leaders

From our President:

Need a UWF Unit without travel?

If for any reason, you would like to fellowship with a local unit without the travel, the Fowler UWF local unit offers a zoom link to our monthly meetings. If you would like to join us via Zoom or if you would like to join us in person, we meet at 2:00 pm the first Wednesday of the month. Please email me to get the zoom link, which is emailed out on Monday prior to our Wednesday meeting day.

Voices From the Field

If you are interested in learning about missionaries and their work all over the world go to VoicesfromField@uwfaith.org and sign-up. The next one is scheduled for March 7, 2023 at 5:30 pm MST. Each one last around 60 - 90 minutes. I have heard about efforts in Ukraine, South America, and Africa. The next one on March 7th is about the deaconesses and home missioners program. Once you registered for your first event, the program managers automatically send you the registration information for the next one about a month prior to the event. They also email you a reminder a week before and another one the day before.

SAVE THE DATES for 2023:

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Lamar, CO & Virtual
Programming Details TBA |
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9:00 am - 2:00 pm
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Please feel free to contact me for any questions.

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Trinity District UWF President

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From our Spiritual Growth Coordinator:

Greetings to everyone.....

“Those who know your name will trust in you, for you Lord, have never forsaken those who seek you.” Psalm 9:10 NIV

A few weeks ago I took my car to be serviced. I knew it needed tires and an oil change, it was not going to be an inexpensive day. However, as the day went on and I was sitting in the waiting area of the garage, the shop foreman kept coming in with more issues that needed to be addressed and were going to make it a more expensive day. Finally, the repairs were complete and I was ready to head for home. But on the way I made a detour to the nearest “Dairy Queen” to get a chocolate shake. A chocolate shake has often been my “go to” when I am stressed or upset. There was a time that it was not unusual for me to walk in the door and say, let’s go get a milk shake! My husband immediately knew it had not been a good day and a milk shake would start to soothe and calm the edges of my frazzled mind and allow me to return to a more peaceful state so that I could carry on with what I needed to do. How many of you turn to food or some other earthly item (tv, music, etc.) when you are stressed, upset, angry?

In our hearts we know that we should turn to God. The one who truly loves us and is always there for us. He is just waiting for us to turn to him. But it takes time and practice for us to turn to him instead of the earthly things.

What kind of practice? Well, anything that helps us grow in our spiritual life, such as study and prayer.

United Women in Faith offer a number of opportunities and events for you to learn and grow:

Faith Talks is available 2 times a month on Thursday’s;

Voices from the Field is available Quarterly;

Book discussions are held by the Utah/Western Colorado District United Women in Faith on books from the reading list;

The conference and district United Women In Faith have Spiritual Retreats and you are welcome to attend more than one.

So, seek the Lord and trust in him!

Peace and Love to all,

Denise Logan

Spiritual Growth Coordinator

From our Social Action Coordinator

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I do not have a lot of “new” news from our January Just Energy for All Campaign as there were no guest speakers, rather it was a review of what was accomplished last year and plans for this year. The efforts this year will focus on:

Cultivating the sisterhood as women of faith by building capacity via facilitating educational resources, fellowship spaces, and opportunities to put our faith into action. Advancing our values of diversity, equity, inclusion and antiracism.

Advancing a Just Energy Transition from the ground up by empowering local communities and individuals to access information and resources to plan their energy futures.

Advocating at the federal level to increase support for climate justice at home and abroad.

[The above 3 goals are condensed versions of the complete stated goals]

One thing that I did learn, that I had not heard, was reported on CNN. A federal agency is considering a ban on gas stoves which are a source of indoor pollution. Since I have a gas range that is not vented to the outside, that perked my ears up. However, the US Consumer Product Safety Commissioner went on to say that any ban would apply only to new gas stoves, not existing ones! President Biden does not support a ban on gas stoves. Lawmakers argued that Black, Latino, and low-income households are more likely to be affected by these adverse reactions because they are either more likely to live near a waste incinerator or coal ash site or are in a home with poor ventilation. In addition, an industry spokesperson said, “A ban of gas cooking would fail to address the overall concern of indoor air quality while cooking because ALL forms of cooking, regardless of heat source, generate air pollutants.”

I got an idea this month that I hope ALL of you will participate in! Instead of my “talking” to you all the time, I would like for you to “talk” to me (and I will report the results at a later date).

Please send me 1 thing (or more) your unit or church has done to promote social change. This does not have to be directly tied to energy and climate change, but may be related to immigration, diversity, racism, or other social justice topics. JUST a few ideas are:

1. Mobilize your church to install LED bulbs
2. Hold an Earth Day Bible Study
3. Invite local environmental and social justice organizations to speak at your unit or church.

Please mail me a note with what you have done (or are planning to do) to:

Michaele Ann McFeeters
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Or even easier (for some of us 😊) email to me at:

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From our Coordinator of Communications

“The single biggest problem in communication is the illusion that it has taken place.”

George Bernard Shaw

Elise Rudolph

**Please remember to send Trinity District UWF monies to our treasurer:
Helen Taylor, PO Box 1947, Alamosa, CO 81101**

Thank you to all the Units and individuals who remitted their pledges for 2022. I was able to get them all processed and remitted to the Conference in time to be counted for 2022. I did run into a problem because one unit remitted monies for Warren Village. I found out that Warren Village is no longer a supported project for us. Please select an alternative project before remitting monies to me. The good news is the District did exceed the budget on pledges. Also, a reminder that the financial records of each unit should be reviewed annually by an independent person and a report sent to me for the District's files. The report for 2022 is due prior to July 1, 2023.

A copy of the form follows this page.

**TRINITY DISTRICT UWF
BUDGET AND PLEDGE
2023**

Spring Event	\$ 600.00
District Retreat	\$ 600.00
District Annual and Planning Meeting	\$ 600.00
Newsletter	\$ 200.00
Officer expenses (Visitations)	\$ 500.00
Directory	\$ 250.00
Miscellaneous	
Gift in Memory	\$ 150.00
Gift in Mission/honorariums	\$ 200.00
2022 Pledge to Mtn. Sky Conf. UMW	\$11,000.00
Request for A & MD FUNDS	\$ 3,100.00
Total working budget	\$ 3,100.00

Helen Taylor,

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