

Calendar and Activities for Local Women's Ministry
Theme: Rise Up!



CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN
Women's Ministry

August 2021

- Make plans for attending fall regional meetings:

Place: _____

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- Make plans for attending regional/synodical retreat:

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- Check out the new **2021-2022 Women's Ministry Resources** on the website – <https://cpcmc.org/mmt/wmresources-current/> or call the Resource Center at 901.276.4572.
- As you plan your meetings, consider ways that Women's Ministry can live out the new theme "**Rise Up!**" both near and far away.
- Convention voted to support the **Stott-Wallace Missionary Offering** every fall in regional meetings. Prepare to participate in that offering as a local women's ministry group. Send your donation to Missions Ministry Team and use **#34026** to indicate it is a Women's Ministry project.
- Other:
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September 2021

- **Christian Service Recognition Sunday**, September 19. Plan ways to recognize the volunteers in your church. Worship resources are available online - <https://cpcmc.org/liturgies-for-special-sundays/>
- **International Day of Prayer and Action for Human Habitat**, September 19. Consider inviting a speaker from the local Habitat for Humanity chapter to your meeting; or better still volunteer as a group on a Woman Build home. Find information on their website – www.habitat.org.
- **Plan** activities for 2021-2022 with the Session and Missions Committee.
- Make plans for **activating members and enlisting new members**. Give particular attention to the needs and interests of younger women, mothers, and working women.
- Has your local women's group contributed to the Women's Ministry fall project yet? Join with women across the denomination in giving this fall to the **Stott-Wallace Missionary Offering**.
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October 2021

- **Worldwide Communion Sunday**, October 3. Worship resources are available online - <https://cpcmc.org/liturgies-for-special-sundays/>
- **Pastor Appreciation Day**, October 10. Check out the Pastoral Development website for ideas on ways to express appreciation to your pastor. Worship resources are available online - <https://cpcmc.org/liturgies-for-special-sundays/>
- **Native American Sunday**, October 17. Contact Betty Jacob, from Choctaw Presbytery for ways to celebrate in your church. Consider a mission trip to the presbytery for the coming summer. There are lots of ways to connect with our Choctaw members! Worship resources are available online - <https://cpcmc.org/liturgies-for-special-sundays/>
- **World Missions Sunday, October 24th** Today. Tomorrow. Together.
- Plan ways to participate in **World Community Day, November 5**, with the local Church Women United. For ideas and resources check out CWU's website – www.churchwomen.org.
- Plan ways for your women's ministry group to support the **Stott-Wallace Missionary Fund Offering**. Look into the possibilities of a Skype or Facetime visit with a CP of the missionary.
- A Day in the Park will be October 19, 2021, from 10:00 a.m. Till Noon at the Birthplace Shrine in the Montgomery Bell State Park. For more information, contact: Chris Fleming, 615-424-8561, cfleming@cumberland.org

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November 2021

- Observe **World Community Day**, CWU, November 5. This year's theme is "*Becoming One in 2021*". Visit CWU online for resources - <http://www.churchwomen.net>
- Participate in the **Loaves and Fishes Program** during the month of November. Visit the Missions Ministry Team's website for resources to help promote it in your church – <https://cpcmc.org/mmt/loaves/>
- **The Symposium, November 4-6**, to be held at Dyersburg CP Church. For more details visit the link: [The Symposium – Ministry Council of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church \(cpcmc.org\)](https://cpcmc.org/mmt/symposium/)
- **Stewardship Sunday, Nov. 7**
- **Day of Prayer** for people with Aids and other life-threatening illnesses. **Nov. 14**
- **Bible Sunday Nov. 14**
- **1st Sunday of Advent, Nov. 28**

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December 2021

- **Advent**, Nov. 28 – Dec.19.
- Receive **Gift to the King Offering** any Sunday in Advent. Materials will be available early fall.
- Plan now to observe **Human Trafficking Awareness Day on January 11**. Order products from Thistle Farms (<http://thistlefarms.org/>) or plan an outgoing to the Thistle Stop Café in Nashville. Order a case of soap from traffickfree.org (<https://www.traffickfree.com>) and organize a hands-on activity with the S.O.A.P. ministry. Prayers/Worship resources are available online - <https://cpcmc.org/liturgies-for-special-sundays/>

- **Celebrate** your Women’s Ministry by having a Christmas party. Extend a personal invitation to the women who do not usually participate. This is also a great way to include girls and young women.
- **Christmas Eve/Christmas**, Dec. 24-25
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January 2022

- Observe **Human Trafficking Awareness Day, January 11**. See December’s calendar for ideas!
- Observe **Martin Luther King Day**, January 17. This would be a great time to organize a joint event with your **sisters in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America**. Contact the CPCA Center for contact information – www.cpcaga.org, 256/536-7481, info@cpcachurch.org.
- Make plans to observe and celebrate the **Birthday of the CP Church (February 4, 1810)** on **Denomination Day, February 6**. Contact the Historical Foundation for resources - <http://cumberland.org/hfcp/>
- Promote the **Membership Endowment Program** – Perpetual, Diamond Perpetual, Patron, Silver Patron, and Golden Patron. Applications can be found on the Women’s Ministry website. Let us strive to push these endowments over the \$2 million mark in 2022!
- Observe **Fellowship of the Least Coin** with a prayer and an offering. For more information about FLC visit their website - <http://www.flc.net.ph/>. Your offering can be mailed to the Missions Ministry Team’s office at 8207 Traditional Place, Cordova, TN 38016-7414 OR directly to Church Women United at CWU/FLC, 475 Riverside Drive, Suite 1626, New York, NY 10115. Please indicate clearly that it is for **Fellowship of the Least Coin**.
- Make plans for attending spring regional meetings:
 Place: _____
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- Make plans for attending regional/synodical retreat:
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February 2022

- February is **Black History Month**. Plan a joint event with a nearby CPCA church or women’s group. Visit the Unification Task Force webpage - www.cumberland.org/unification/Unification/Welcome.html.
- Observe **Denomination Day, February 6**.
- **Elect** Convention delegates. Make plans to attend the 2022 Convention and General Assembly in Albuquerque, NM, **June 21-24, 2022**.

- Plan now for **World Day of Prayer** on **March 4**. The theme for 2022 is “*New Heart, New Mind, Called to Hope*” based on the letter to Ephesians (1,18), we are called to hope; Check out the wonderful resources to help you develop the theme - <http://worlddayofprayer.net>
- Begin the **officer nomination process** by praying for current and future officers. Go ahead and get an early start by appointing a Nominating Committee. Make sure you send your new officer information for the 2022-2023 program year to the Women’s Ministry Office by **May 1**. Report form can be found on the Women’s Ministry webpage.
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March 2022

- Celebrate the wonderful gifts of women this month, **National Women’s History Month**.
- **Pray for Cumberland Presbyterian clergywomen**. Invite a clergywoman to your meeting, your regional gatherings, or to preach on Sunday.
- Observe **Ash Wednesday, March 2, Denominational Day of Prayer**
- Observe **World Day of Prayer, March 4**.
- Look for ways in which your group can **contribute to the Spring Project** sponsored by CP Women’s Ministry – **Funding the Cumberland Presbyterian Women & Children’s Ministry in Brazil (#34027)**. Visit the Women’s Ministry website for more information on funding needed to sustain and grow this ministry in Brazil
- Observe **National Farm Worker Awareness Week, March 25 - 31**. You might want to host a “Harvest of Justice” event. Visit their website for information on this event as well as other resources – www.nfwm.org or P.O. Box 10645, Raleigh, NC 27605; 919/807-8707.
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April 2022

- **Palm Sunday, April 10.**
- **Maundy Thursday, April 14**
- **Good Friday, April 15**
- **Easter, April 17.**
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- Celebrate **Earth Day, April 22**, at some point during this month. Plant a tree or flowers, clean up a park, start a recycling program, or make the switch to real coffee mugs for your Sunday morning coffee time!
- **Pray for the upcoming Women’s Ministry Convention and General Assembly** to be held in Albuquerque, NM., **June 21-24**.
- **Elect officers** for 2022-2023 (to serve September 2022 – August 2023).
- Submit your **Annual Report Form** to your Regional President and the Director of Women’s Ministry (8207 Traditional Place, Cordova, TN 38016-7474). Report forms can be found on the Women’s Ministry website and are due in by **May 1**.

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May 2022

- Make sure to get your **Annual Report** form into your Regional President and the Director of Women’s Ministry. It is **VERY IMPORTANT** to send the correct information for the incoming officers who will serve from Sept 2022 – August 2023 (Name, address, phone number, email address.) **Reports are due by May 1.**
- Observe **May Friendship Day**, CWU, May 3.
- **Receive the Convention Offering – Employee Assistance Program (EAP)** This program is available to help Ministers (and their families) receive counseling services from a professional who can help them to debrief, maintain healthy mental health, and remain the spiritual foundation so many of us need.
- Have **intercessory prayer** for the meeting of Convention and General Assembly, **June 21-24**, meeting in Albuquerque, NM.
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June 2022

- **Pentecost**, June 5. Celebrate the Stott-Wallace Missionary Fund Offering and send into the Missions Ministry Team (8207 Traditional Place, Cordova, TN 38017. Indicate that it is “Stott-Wallace Offering”) If it is an offering given by women’s ministry, make sure that is clearly noted because we are attempting to track giving by women’s ministry groups, use #34026 to identify your donation as a women’s group.
- Observe **Unification Sunday, June 23**. Contact a local CPCA and discuss the possibilities of a pulpit swap and/or fellowship meal. Worship liturgies are available online - <https://cpcmc.org/liturgies-for-special-sundays/>
- Send your **Convention Offering** to the Missions Ministry Team if you did not have a delegate or representative attend.
- **NEW 2022-2023 Women’s Ministry** resources can be found on the website by mid- to late-July – <https://cpcmc.org/mmt/wmresources-current/>
- Volunteer to help with **Missions Education** during your church’s VBS ministry. Plan a visit by a missionary via social media. Pick a different country each day to highlight. Learn songs in other languages. Collect a VBS offering for the Stott-Wallace Missionary Fund.
- Consider sponsoring and organizing a **Missions Festival** for your church. Invite a visiting missionary to speak to your group or church. Consider taking up an offering or having a fundraiser for the **Stott-Wallace Missionary Fund Offering**. Contact our office for more information and ideas.
- **CPWM Women’s Convention and General Assembly, June 21-24, meeting in Albuquerque, NM.**
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July 2022

- If you did not receive your Stott-Wallace Missionary Fund Offering on Pentecost do so this month. How did you celebrate the offering in your church? Share your ideas on the Missions Ministry Facebook page.
- **Organize** a “Girl’s Day” or “Girl’s Night Out” to spice up your Women’s Ministry. Invite teen girls/young adult women and go for pedicures. Meet for lunch at a café. Do something different this month.
- Consider a **Women’s Work trip** for your local church. Organize a short work trip and invite the other women in your region along for the experience. Don’t forget to include the ‘tween and teen girls. If you aren’t up to a trip away from “home,” consider something nearby!
- **Plan for officer’s preparation** (see Resource Manual or the Women’s Ministry website). Talk with your regional officers about doing a region-wide officer’s training event.
- **Women’s Ministry resources** can be found on the website (<http://cpcmc.org/mmt/cpwm>) or call the office at 901.276.4572.
- **Cumberland Presbyterian Children’s Fest (CPCF) will be Saturday, July 16,2022, Bethel University, McKenzie, Tennessee This event is for CP children K- 6th grade. For questions, contact Jodi Rush jhr@cumberland.org**

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