

# United Methodist Women's News for Summer 2020



Greetings from your president,

I hope you are all doing well and keeping safe at your homes. It is difficult to be apart, but we know it is for the best for everyone.

Since we are not meeting in person, I have not sent out a News Sheet since March. I decided that it was time I touched base with everyone.

We will not be holding our annual all women's birthday party in August. We don't what restrictions will still be in place and we want to keep our members safe and healthy. Sharing of food is likely to be restricted in churches for a long time to come. We are considering some alternatives and your ideas would be appreciated.

While we can not meet in person, the work of United Methodist Women for women, children, and youth goes on. If you are able, please mail your United Methodist Women's pledge to Lee Beach at 4819 Saylor Street, Klamath Falls, OR 97603.

We still have some nuts for sale at \$1 off the original price. The nuts that are available are almonds, the tropical blend, and the heart healthy mix. If you are interested, please contact me at 541-273-9579 or [jaboese@charter.net](mailto:jaboese@charter.net). I am willing to deliver nuts to your house. *(See back for more information)*

The District Annual Meeting scheduled for September 26 will not be held at Lebanon UMC as planned. It will be a webinar put on by the District team. All women are encouraged to "attend" as they are able. The Zoom app can be downloaded to a computer, tablet, or smart phone. Those who don't have the above, should be able to participate by a call in. The meeting is in early stages of planning. More information will be available later in the summer.

Jeannie



**Prayer Concerns** - Marie Maestas, Alise Walker, Helen Glidden, Betty Bialorucki, Karen Wise, Carolyn Lewert-Hagan

**Prayer Calendar** – Scott's Run Settlement House Food Pantry shines the light of giving to dispel the darkness of anxiety that treatens families who struggle to make ends meet. *For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me. (Matthew 25:35; NRSV) Shay Petitto, Executive Director, Scott's Run Settlement House, Osage, West Virginia*

**Response Moment** - The May/June *response* magazine focuses on three subjects: Working for Peace in Okinawa, a living wage and paid sick leave, and the Mission u Spiritual Growth Study *Finding Peace in an Anxious World*. It is amazing to me that a study topic chosen several years ago can be so appropriate right now. From *response* magazine: "In the midst of turbulent times, there is an opportunity to more deeply understand the complexity and demands of a faithful life faithfully. St. John Cassian, a Christian monk and theologian, warned against 'dangerous peace' (*pax pernicioosa*), which is a peace of inward bliss. Another way to think of this is the danger of being to comfortable, perhaps almost disengaged. St. John says that the Christ follower instead seeks the peace of Christ (*pax Christi*), which call us to a sense of urgency about the world. We must ask and live faithfully - and, even as we are uncertain of how or where to move, be inspired to take on the practices of *pax Christi* - to trust, discern, transform and act." *Emily McGinley, one of the authors of the Mission u study book "Finding Peace in an Anxious World."*



## United Methodist Women's Purpose:

United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose PURPOSE is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the Global Ministries of the church.

**Nuts are now \$1 off the original price. They have been refrigerated since mid May.**

Nuts currently available:

Almonds - Originally \$9.25, now \$8.25 - 7 bags available

Tropical Blend - Originally \$9.00, now \$8.00 - 7 bags available  
pineapple, cranberries, macadamias, cashews, almonds

Heart Healthy Mix - Originally \$9.50, now \$8.50 - 10 bags available  
cashews, almonds, cranberries, pumpkin seeds, raisins



## Mission u 2020

There will be no in-person Mission u events this year.

“In place of in-person Mission u events, the Mission u team is collaborating with study leader trainers to bring elements of each study online over the next several months. The exact format and timeline for each study is still in development and more information will be coming as those pieces take shape. However, it is our hope that those in the Mission u community and the wider church will still be able to engage and benefit from these timely studies from the safety and comfort of their homes.” [Click here to go to the Mission u website for more information.](#)

The National Office is working on a Mission u free video series for the Spiritual Growth Study *Finding Peace in an Anxious World*.

“The adult spiritual growth study, [Finding Peace in an Anxious World](#), is being adapted for use either at home or in virtual small groups. Videos and a participant’s guide will be available for free download. Participants in this study will explore ways to discover peace through Scriptural and spiritual disciplines. Using the Serenity Prayer and the book of Proverbs as guides, we will seek to find ways to be rooted in God and energized to live fully as disciples of Christ. This study will work especially well for a unit, district or Sunday School class to learn together. “ Click the title above to order the study book. It is available in printed form or for Kindle.

