



United Methodist Women's News

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WOMEN IN MISSION. On Wednesday, March 13 ten ladies met at 9:30 a.m. at Heart and Hand in South Charleston to sort and hang clothing. After a prayer, we all trooped down to the basement to sort and check summer clothes for children. There was a lot of "oohing" and "look at this" as we picked pieces of clothing out of the storage barrels. There were so many lovely pieces of clothing for children—both boys and girls-- that we filled one clothing rack and used a table and some plastic tubs to store the other articles that we had put on hangers. All in all, it was a very satisfying morning with much accomplished, but there is more to be done. If you would like to volunteer at Heart and Hand (and they do really appreciate their volunteers) give me a call. I have the name and number of the person to contact.

At our Unit Meeting on Sunday, March 17, the 2019 budget for our Unit of United Methodist Women was approved, offerings for Call to Prayer and Self-Denial were accepted and copies of the "Year Book" were distributed. Contact Cora Fisher if you need a copy of the "Year Book." St. Patrick's Day theme was used for the center pieces on the table, David Williams provided the music, and the cooks gave us a delicious meal.

United Methodist Women's Spring Meeting is scheduled for **Saturday, April 13.** We are hopeful that we can take the church van to attend. If you would like to go if the van is available, please contact Margaret Waybright. If you want to drive yourself, I am sure we can get the directions for you. The meeting is at Bruce McDonald UMC in Man, WV. Registration is at 9:15 a.m. with juice, coffee, and pastries. In-gathering is for the Gabriel Project: Diapers, baby wipes, formula, clothing. Offering: Local Food Pantry. No charge for lunch.

Many thanks go to all who were involved in the presentation of J.S. Bach's Cantata on Sunday, March 17 in the chapel. There was a good attendance and it was a most enjoyable way to spend a Sunday evening.

New reading books are on the Book Cart in the New Room. Please browse through the books and select one to read. There are also forms to keep track of what you read and then turn that in to Angela in early December. May I suggest the book called **January First.** It is a true story of a baby girl born a genius and what her family goes through as they try for years to get someone to diagnose the condition that makes her not sleep, kick, hit, not accept her given first name, and have imaginary friends. It is a book that you want to put down and not read, and then can't resist picking it up to see what is going to happen next. It is an easy read, but not one that I could go through very fast. It was a lot to take in and you want so much for the parents to find what they were looking for. The story will touch your heart!

April comes from the Latin word aperio, "To Open" (bud), because plants begin to grow during this month.(2019 Old Farmers Almanac)

To think about: "The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched. They must be felt within the heart." (Helen Keller)

We should all know that diversity makes for a rich tapestry, and we must understand that all the threads of the tapestry are equal in value no matter what their color. (Maya Angelou)

Scripture: Don't forget to show hospitality to strangers, for some who have done this have entertained angels without realizing it! (Hebrews 13.2)