



Church Women United in Austin

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October 2022 Newsletter

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Fabulous, Fearless, Women of Faith

We had a successful program Sept. 2, 2022. There were 33 people in attendance. Thanks to all those who organized, who set up Zoom and handled the meeting superbly. Special thanks to Karen Grice, Susan Holman and the wonderful speakers Shakira and Daniella, who gave us great insight into how our local school systems are managing the problems of Bullies.

Our program for Oct. 7, 2022, will be "Human Rights Day" and we will have a great program. Thanks to Myrna Cavender, who nominated Emma Lea Mayton for the "Human Rights Award". We will be presenting this award Oct 7, 2022. Emma Lea is a long-time member of CWU and St. John's UMC. Hopefully, she may tell us of her latest endeavors. Her Bio is included on another page.

Thank you for all your help. It is greatly appreciated.

Blessings, BJ Johnson, President

Remember the Courtesies

We are depending on you to help us acknowledge and support our sisters when they are sick or bereaved. Please call Mary Terrell, 512-651-5572 (home) or 512-906-8826 (cell), if you know of any courtesies to be extended. Courtesy cards were as follows:

**Sympathy Cards to:* The family of [Carol Kolsti](#)
The family of [Eve Lawrence](#)
The family of [Hazel Williams](#)

Let us continue to be in prayer for those named and those whose names we may not know.

Prayer changes things!

**Click on the name of the deceased to go to their obituary*

October 7, 2022, Human Rights Day Celebration

Church Women United remembers that “all human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights. They are endowed with reason and conscience and should act towards one another in a spirit of brotherhood. Everyone is entitled to all the rights and freedoms...without distinction of any kind, such as race, color, sex, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property birth or other status” (Excerpt taken from the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, written by the UN in 1948).

These words should be in the forefront of our minds as we support, work towards, and fight for the rights of all humans. This is the same message Jesus gave while on earth. When He said, “Love one another as I have loved you,” He did not mean for us to love just some people, He truly meant for us to love everyone. This has been the message of CWU since our beginnings in 1943 and will continue to be one of the pillars that supports and drives our movement.

Please join us at 9:45 a.m. on Zoom for a social time; the program will begin at 10:00 a.m.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://upcaustin.zoom.us/j/81972989820?pwd=UzdSL1pyZGxPN0NqbUQxQ2hsTXAxUT09>

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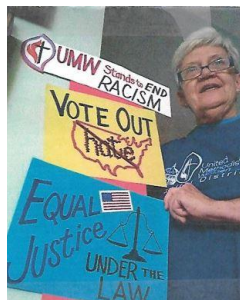
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In addition to our program, we are pleased to present the Human Rights Award for 2022 to Emma Lea Mayton. Emma Lea is a member of St. John’s UMC and has been active in Human Rights and Volunteer Organizations for many years. In fact, she was recently honored on KXAN for her volunteer work.

We will show the KXAN clip at the beginning of her presentation on October 7.

Emma Lea has done concrete and varied outreach to others in many ways. She volunteers at and raises money for Pioneer Farms, a living history museum which celebrates early central Texas pioneers who settled in the Austin area, she tirelessly serves as a Volunteer Deputy Registrar (VDR) registering voters in the county and has served for years on the board of the Montopolis Friendship Community in southeast Austin. For years she has also chaired the big fundraiser for St. John’s United Methodist Women and helped get those funds disbursed to help support a myriad of human rights and outreach causes. We are proud to make this award to such an accomplished volunteer.



National Church Women United News



YOUNG CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

VIRTUAL NATIONAL CONFERENCE

"THE POWER WITHIN"

Keynote Speaker: Rev. Sharolyn Gailliard

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH 12PM-5PM (EDT)

"Agreed to differ, resolved to love, united to serve"

SWAG BAGS

All Ages Welcome

Womb Wellness
Mrs. Ameenah Francois

Through Her Lens
Vz: Resilience
Ms. Danielle Pyle
Ms. Diamond Brown
Elder Trameka Richardson

Community Action Facilitator: Kessy Moreau

"Special Offer" Reg fee \$15 until 10.10
Reg. Fee \$ 30 after 10.11

E-mail us: nationalycwu@gmail.com

Cash App \$RevMeka

Saturday, 11.05.22, 12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. EDT: Young Church Women United (YCWU) Virtual National Conference - "The Power Within" - Registration Fees: "Special Offer" - \$15 (Until 10.10.22) - \$30 (After 10.10.22)

NEW DATE - REGISTER/PAY TODAY - ALL ARE INVITED! YCWU's 2022 Virtual National Conference "The Power Within" has a new date: Saturday, 11.05.22, 12:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. EDT.

Registration Special Offer: \$15 until 10.10.22. Registration \$30 after 10.10.22. Use CashApp (\$RevMeka) or send a check to the National CWU office.

[Click this link to register](#) for the conference

A Message from the National President



Mira J. Washington

CWU PREVENT GUN VIOLENCE CAMPAIGN

A Message from the National CWU President, Mira J. Washington: Prevent Gun Violence Campaign - Contact Your Elected Officials Today!

Mira J. Washington, National CWU President, is urging all CWU leaders and members to support the "Prevent Gun Violence" campaign by contacting their elected officials (local, state, and federal levels) and expressing their concerns about gun violence in our communities. In a recent email to CWU leaders, President Washington stated that "now is the time to not only pray but [to] do something" about gun violence.

NOW IS THE TIME FOR ACTION!

Guidelines on "How to Contact Your Elected Officials" and a "Sample Letter from [the] Michigan Coalition to Prevent Gun Violence" are available for download and review (see below).

[Click here to download how to contact your Elected Officials](#)

Becoming a Member of CWU

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED IN AUSTIN INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP/FAIR SHARE

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Telephone _____

Congregation _____

If your congregation has a women's group representative, please include her name and mailing address

Amount _____ Individual Membership _____ Fair Share _____ Date _____

Mail to Church Women United in Austin, PO Box 14336, Austin, TX 78761-4336

Church Women United is supported by the contributions of its member churches and individual members who wish to share in the program and projects of the Austin unit. The CWU budget year is January 1-December 31. Sending individual membership payments before December 31 assures your name will be listed in the CWU yearbook.

Church "Fair Shares" are requested by the end of March.

Individual Membership:

A portion of the \$10 per year donation for Individual Membership pays for the cost of printing and mailing the newsletter and yearbook. You will receive both if you are an Individual Member. Larger donations are encouraged, and "Angels" are those members who wish to support local projects of Church Women United by a membership amount of \$25 or more.

Member Churches

Each church women's group decides for itself what its "Fair Share" of the CWU budget will be. Following are suggested guidelines, not to be considered "dues."

Small Group	\$25
Medium Group	\$40
Large Group	\$60

Please contact your church's women's group if you are not sure if the Fair Share has been paid. Your church "Fair Share" should be paid as soon as possible after the year begins. Make checks payable to CWU in Austin and mark "Fair Share".

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Memberships are sent to the address above. If your contact information has changed, please note changes on the form printed above.