

**WE SERVE.**

**WE ADVOCATE.**

**WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE.**

*United Women In Faith supports partners providing direct services to women, children, youth and families in neighborhoods around the country. Internationally, we support partners empowering women, children and youth with education and economic development opportunities. We advocate for a more just world to improve life for women, children and youth.*



United  
Women  
in Faith

## OUR STORY

Our 155-year legacy began with a few bold women determined to change the world for the better. In 1869 two wives of missionaries to India made a plea to a group of eight women in Boston about the spiritual and physical needs of poor women in India. They could not be treated by male doctors. Schooling for girls was almost non-existent. Help was desperately needed. In what would become a lasting legacy of "showing up and getting things done," the attendees were moved to action. Within a year they organized The Methodist Women's Foreign Missionary Society. By the end of 1869 they raised funds and sent educator Isabella Thoburn, who started a school, and Dr. Clara Swain, who opened the first women's hospital in Asia. Both institutions continue to serve the people of India today.

For the remainder of the 19th century and through the 20th century women's missionary groups were formed throughout the U.S. which grew to become powerful, independent women's organizations sending women missionary doctors, nurses and educators all over the world and advocated for justice, children, women and disenfranchised communities fearlessly.

In 1972 United Methodist Women first became the women's mission organization as part of The United Methodist Church's Board of Global Ministries. In 2012 the UMC General Conference voted to make the United Methodist Women's national policy-making body autonomous. Today we mark the beginning of a new era. As United Women In Faith we stand ready to not only continue our legacy but forge courageous new paths. We will go wherever we are needed, without hesitation because the needs are great but our power, our resolve and our faith are even greater.

## OUR MISSION

*United Women in Faith seeks to connect and nurture women through Christian spiritual formation, leadership development, creative fellowship, and education so that they can inspire, influence, and impact local and global communities.*

## OUR PURPOSE

*We are a community of women whose purpose is to know God and 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.*

*(for national and global info: [uwfaith.org](http://uwfaith.org))*

Bartlett United Methodist Church

# BARTLETT UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH MEETING OPTIONS

## **MARILYN MUKLEVICZ CIRCLE**

**Meetings:** Fourth Tuesday in LEC Parlor, 9:30 am  
(does not meet in June and July)

**Leaders:** Debbie Young

## **SERVICE CIRCLE**

**Meetings:** Fourth Tuesday 10:00 am, Room 011S  
(does not meet in June and July)

**Leader:** Pat McFarland

## **SUSANNA CIRCLE**

**Meetings:** Called meetings as needed.

**Leader:** Glenda Bowen

## **TABITHA CIRCLE**

**Meetings:** Third Wednesday 6 pm, Room 206L

**Leader:** Laura Lloyd

## **VITAL CIRCLE**

**Meetings:** Third Tuesday 6 pm, LEC Parlor  
(excluding January, June and July)

**Leader:** Marcia Hall

## **UNIT MEETINGS**

**Meetings:** Second Tuesday 10 am in Fellowship Hall  
excluding January, June, and July.

**President:** Susan Tanner

# METHODIST ORGANIZATIONS WE SUPPORT

## **Golden Cross Senior Ministries**

Strives to enhance the life for all seniors served by Wesley Living.

## **United Methodist Neighborhood Centers**

Ministers to the physical and spiritual needs of families who need a helping hand. This organization provides education, childcare, social services, and spiritual development in a loving atmosphere.

## **Methodist Healthcare Auxiliary**

Has been providing financial and volunteer support for the patients, families, physicians, and caregivers at Methodist hospitals and facilities since 1935.

## **Church Women United**

Started in 1941 as a racially, culturally, theologically inclusive Christian women's movement to celebrate unity and diversity and work for peace in the world.

## **Local charities and organizations we support:**

Appalachian Service Project--Bartlett United Methodist Church Children, youth and outreach programs--Bartlett Elementary School--Dayshore Summer Camp—Dorothy Day House --Friends of Faith-- Hannah's Hope-- Kings Daughters and Sons Nursing Home—Lutheran Village--Mariah House-- Memphis Union Mission-- Reelfoot Rural Ministry-- Room at the Inn—Roots--Service over Self--St. Jude Children's Hospital--UMCOR--Veterans Hospital.

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