



PWJCP

Women's Word

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Winter 2022

Calendar of Events

January

28 Week of prayer for Christian Unity

February

1 National Freedom Day

13 Super Bowl of Caring

14-20 National Random Acts of Kindness

March

2 Ash Wednesday

4 World Day of Prayer

6 Celebration of Women's Gifts Sunday

8 International Women's Day

14-25 UN Commission -Women's Status



Music to Soothe the Soul

*Martin Hurkens

[*You Raise Me Up*](#)

*Denise Rosier

[*BE STILL*](#)

Moderator's Moment with Joan Russell

Warm Greetings, PW Sisters:

Winter weather has arrived and you are probably spending more time inside--maybe reading by a cozy fire. One of the things I have enjoyed reading has been the November/December "Horizons" magazine. There are wonderful articles related to the ideals of our PW Purpose with the theme of "Do what you can, with what you have, where you are." Also included is information on Celebrate the Gifts of Women Sunday for March 6th. This article sparked my interest in planning a Sunday with the women of my church this spring.

This is also the season of planning for our Spring Gathering at Trinity in Springfield on April 30th. The planning meeting for the coordinating team will take place on February 17th from 10-12 a.m. in person or by Zoom: whatever is appropriate at that time in compliance with CDC guidelines. Please read the related articles in this newsletter. Notice of the February 17th meeting will go out to the coordinating team soon.

Some of the terms have expired for members of the coordinating team. If you would like to join us with planning our events, just let me know. We have some women who have volunteered and others have been suggested. So, a roster will be presented, voted on, and installed at the Spring Gathering.

There is much to do and it is going to be so enjoyable to get together to continue the "re-boot" of PW in John Calvin Presbytery. Mark your calendars for the events coming up! We are so looking forward to seeing you at "Continual Hope and Praise" at Springfield's Trinity.

Blessings,
Joan
Moderator, PWJCP

**World Day of Prayer Planned for
March 4, 2022**

For World Day of Prayer 2022, we are invited to reflect on the theme “I Know the Plans I Have for You”. (Her. 29:1-14) - an assurance that God watches over and cares for us at all times, including times of suffering and uncertainty. Prayers can be offered for peace, reconciliation and healing. While the first Friday in March is the traditional World Day of Prayer, your celebration can happen any day or even be a year long event! Find resources on the WDP-USA website wdp.usa.org/materials or call 888-937-8720

Horizons November/December 2021

Bible Study 2021-2022

We have the joy of learning together in bible study with 'What My Grandmothers Taught Me'. These grandmothers of Jesus were real women who lived their lives in the best way they could.

We need to remember that our grandmothers were also real women who lived just like Jesus' grandmothers-in a real world. They lived their lives making the right choices for their families, just like we do and our grandmothers did.

These grandmothers and our grandmothers shaped identities, lived in troubled and dangerous times, cared and loved those in their care, and most of all recognized God's power in themselves.

Linda Jackson - Ft. Scott

“Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God..” 1 John 4:7-8

**Presbyterian Women in John Calvin Presbytery
Spring Gathering April 30, 2022
“Continual Hope and Praise”
Trinity Presbyterian Church
1900 E Baratavia Springfield, MO
9:30 AM - 3:00 PM**

**Highlights from “United Nations: Commission
on the Status of Women”**

by Joy Durrant HORIZONS , Summer 2021

Presbyterian Women began attending the United Nations’ Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) about 15 years ago. After numerous years of participating as part of our denominational delegation or with other organizations, a small group of annual PW attendees began advocating for Presbyterian Women to apply for UN consultative status. These dedicated and insightful women began working on the laborious application, which was submitted in 2015. It took several years for the application to be approved, but in 2018 PW was notified that we had attained UN consultative status!

We stand on the shoulders of wise and hardworking women. In this instance, our current path for UN engagement was paved by PWs more than a decade ago. Our UN consultative status allows Presbyterian Women to participate, using its own voice, at the UN.

Please see the complete article for more exciting in-depth information and plan to attend PWJCP Spring Gathering (April 30, 2022; Trinity Presbyterian, Springfield, MO) to hear Marsha Landrith share her experiences participating at the UN with Presbyterian Women.

**May you be blessed..... and may
you be a blessing!**