

Circle



Women of United



Morning Circles

Nov 1 9:15 a.m.

Deborah.....Carrol Hildre

Nov 2 9:30 a.m.

MaryKaren Rasmusson

NaomiSarah Frerichs

RachelJune Johnson

(At Church)

Afternoon Circles

Nov 14 – 1:00 p.m.

Hannah.....Nancy Krumrey

Nov 7 – 1:00 p.m. Luther Hall

Martha.....Ruby Kroona

Evening Circle

Nov 6 – 6:30p.m.

Priscilla Carole Walford (at church)

Piece Makers – Thursdays 9:00 am Luther Hall.

Join our quilters as we finish up the quilts for this year's shipment to Lutheran World Relief.

You'll be amazed at the works of art our women can create from blocks of donated fabric!

Everyone is welcome!



Nov 13

Priscilla Circle



Nov 8 9:30 a.m.

General Board

Nov 15 9:15 a.m.

Visiting Phoebes

Nov 15 9:00 a.m.

Altar Guild

Nov 15 10:00 a.m.

Bible Study Leaders

Let's Gather!

Monday, Nov 20, 6:30 pm Dessert



“Cooking Tips for One or Two” Jane Nelson

Let's take a look at the challenge of cooking meals for one or two. Jane Nelson will offer some tips and ask you for your tips, too.

Let us help you celebrate your November birthday at our special Birthday Table!

All women are invited.

Hostess: Naomi Circle

Sign up at the Women's Counter.



Single Parent Scholarship Shopping—We will again be funding holiday food baskets for needy families. Last year we were able to provide a wonderful dinner for the families we were assigned by the Benton County Single Parents Scholarship Fund. Thank you for your amazing support! The Women of United could not help so many families without the generosity of the entire congregation. Debbie Olson will be coordinating our efforts again this year. To support this wonderful project, make your check payable to Women of United, mark it for Single Parent Shopping, and put it in the box in the narthex marked “Single Parent Shopping.”

Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

Thank you to everyone involved in making the AR/OK Synodical Women's Convention such a fantastic success! So many people worked so hard to make our weekend truly special. From Friday night's German Dinner to Sunday morning's service, everything was perfect! Thanks to those who headed up the effort: Jane Nelson, Theda Hall, Dorothy Klitzke, Mary Lou Stolp and Louise Wobig. Thanks to the special talent that wowed our audiences: *The Ozark Ladies meet Martin and Katie Luther* with Steve Stolp, Carole Walford, the Choir-Loft Chorus and Lois Carlson; Vespers with Pastor Karen and Jeremy; the Bluegrass Band—sound by Barry Mann; and the Saturday sing-along with Sarah Stephenson, Jim Nugent and Margaret Seba. Thanks to everyone who provided the amazing food: everyone who helped Mary Lou Stolp provide perfect hospitality to our guests; Wally and Jane Nelson and their helpers for the great German dinner; Dorothy Klitzke and her crew for Saturday's sack lunch; and Louise Wobig and her workers for the chicken broccoli crêpe supper and Saturday's German chocolate cakes. **Special thanks to everyone who helped clean up, especially the guys who did dishes!** Thanks to those who made a success of the Lutheran Rosary workshop: Pastor Karen, Jeremy, Katy and Kelsey Sojka, Lindsey, Addy and Jax Lawson and Charli Stephenson. Thanks to the Piecemakers for the quilt tying project; to Pastor Karen for opening up, locking up and keeping an eye on everything in between; to Rosalyn for her help in the office; and to Jeff for setting up, keeping everything neat, and for cleaning up in time for Sunday morning services. **It was an awesome weekend—thank you, everyone!**



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2017 Mary Magdalene Winner: Kay Anderson

We are delighted to announce that Kay Anderson is the winner of this year's Mary Magdalene Award. Kay is a long time member of United—she and Howard joined in 1986—and she has always been involved in the work of the church, both here and in Minnesota. Kay served as chairman of Deborah circle for 9 straight years, and during this same time, she served as church secretary for 10 years. Her mission as church secretary was to make everyone feel welcome, to answer their questions, listen to their problems, help them find solutions, and, of course, do her office work in the most efficient way possible. It is impossible to know how many potential members made their home at United because their first contact with the church was through Kay, either hearing her pleasant voice on the phone or experiencing her kindness and helpfulness in person. Her work in the office was her job; her caring for the people of United, including the pastors, was her calling. The Women of United have always been close to her heart, and there were so many ways she helped further our work by smoothing the way, looking after details that no one else thought of, and bringing her wise counsel to those who sought her out. Her quiet caring for others is why we honor her with this special award.



Margaret Seba presents the Mary Magdalene award to Kay Anderson



Thankoffering Sunday November 13



On Sunday, November 12, the congregation will participate in our annual Thankoffering Sunday. This year Pastor Liz Albertson, Director of Evangelical Mission and Assistant to the Bishop for Youth and Family Ministries, will conduct our service. Pastor Liz is an engaging and dynamic speaker! During the service we will receive the annual Thankoffering, which is a major source of funds for the work of the Churchwide W-ELCA organization. The entire offering is sent on to support worthy projects, many of which are aimed at improving the lives of women. Now that we are receiving the Voice by email, we ask you to please pick up your envelope from your circle leader or from the table in the Narthex. Our goal for this year is \$2100.



We are so grateful to all the members of United who support us so generously on Thanks Sunday.

What do your Thankofferings do? They make possible the many resources and programs that we, our local unit, and our synodical women's organization find so valuable. They're used to train your synodical treasurers and other officers. They're used to support the activities of the churchwide officers and executive board. Your Thankofferings make it possible for us to bring the most inspiring and exciting speakers, preachers, and musicians to Women of the ELCA events, including the Triennial Gatherings. Your Thankofferings also make it possible for us to make our annual gift to the ELCA, which supports hunger ministries and much more.

**Church Women United
World Community Day
Highland Christian Church
Friday, November 3, 9:30 a.m.
All women are invited.**



Women of United Christmas Tea
Mark your calendars for our annual tea on Dec 9 from 3:00 to 5:00. Bring hats and mittens to put on the tree for students at Gravette.



Coming up: Advent Soup Suppers

The Women of United will be serving soup for supper on Wednesdays during Advent. All of the proceeds will go to assist the work of Saving Grace, a charity that helps young women who have aged out of foster care develop the skills they need to lead successful and purposeful lives. Our chief soup makers have provided this schedule for helpers:

Dec 6: Rachel and Deborah Circles
Dec. 13: Naomi and Priscilla Circles
Dec. 20: Hannah and Sarah Circles

Each Circle provides 2 people for set up, 2 to serve, 2 for clean up and 3 desserts (bars and cookies—no pie or cake).