

Presbyterian Women Yearbook

2016-17



**PRESBYTERIAN
WOMEN**

**First Presbyterian Church
Danville, Virginia**



Presbyterian Women Purpose

Forgiven and freed by God
in Jesus Christ
and empowered by the Holy Spirit,
we commit ourselves:

to nurture our faith through prayer and Bible study,
to support the mission of the church worldwide,
to work for justice and peace, and
to build an inclusive, caring community of women
that strengthens the Presbyterian Church (USA)
and witnesses to the promise of God's Kingdom.



SOME MEANINGS FOUND IN THE PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN SYMBOL

FORGIVEN AND FREED BY GOD IN JESUS CHRIST, *Forgiven and freed by grace through faith, the central figure stands in praise.*

AND EMPOWERED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT, WE COMMIT OURSELVES: *Rooted in faith, the trio of women emerge. The outline of the central figure forms a cross. We are Presbyterian women, engrafted in Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit. It is no longer we who live, but Christ who lives in us.*

TO NURTURE OUR FAITH THROUGH PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY, *The right figure holds a book to guide her reading, studying, praying or meditating.*

TO SUPPORT THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH WORLDWIDE, *The left figure reaches out to care for others, as she shares, nurtures and heals. The circle represents the church worldwide where women offer their gifts and talents in the midst of the global community.*

TO WORK FOR JUSTICE AND PEACE, *The uplifted arms of the central figure reach out to embrace a just peace for the world. The relationship between the three figures depicts lives of wholeness rather than turmoil.*

AND TO BUILD AN INCLUSIVE, CARING COMMUNITY OF WOMEN *The three women have no distinct features and represent all women. The shapes surrounding them express energy, strength and openness.*

THAT STRENGTHENS THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.) *Our name, Presbyterian Women, ties us to our denomination. The Bible resembles the Bible depicted in the PC(USA) Seal.*

AND WITNESSES TO THE PROMISES OF GOD'S KINGDOM. *Guided by the four parts of our Purpose, Presbyterian Women witness to the reality of God's present realm.*

CELEBRATION OF MISSION THROUGH WOMEN'S PLEDGES

Each woman is encouraged to make an annual pledge to Presbyterian Women over and above her regular church pledge. The contributions will go to the support of the mission of the church locally and worldwide.

CELEBRATION OF CREATIVE MINISTRIES

Two special offerings will be taken each year: one in the fall for the **Thank Offering** to be used for a number of small projects (thirty-three percent of the Thank Offering will go for health ministries); and one in the spring for the **Birthday Offering** to go for not more than three predetermined projects.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Opportunities for service to others are unlimited. Circles have participated in the following projects:

- Saturday Lunch Ministry
- Hurricane, earthquake and flood relief
- Saving canceled postage stamps to be used for missions
- Sending gift cards to our college freshmen
- Collecting items for Haven, House of Hope, and Truth House
- Collecting food for God's Storehouse
- Supporting a child in the Open Arms Foundation in Colombia
- Danville Free Clinic
- Holy Week Lunches
- Donate School & Health Kits to Church World Service through Church Women United.

Each Circle is encouraged to have a special project or projects to reach out to our neighbors both near and far.

In our **annual budget** we support the following:

World Missions..... Presbyterian Homes and Family Services
HumanKind..... Sunnyside Communities
Synod & Presbytery Church Women United
House of Hope First Presbyterian Day School
Habitat for HumanityFree Clinic
Haven of the Dan River Region

RECIPIENTS OF HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

- 1969 Mrs. W.W. (Louise Rucker) Moore, Jr.
Mr. George R. Norris
- 1971 Mrs. R.L. (Agnes Walker) Swain
Miss Sarah Louise Walker (sisters)
- 1973 Miss Elizabeth Marshall Oliver
- 1974 Mrs. D.A. (Mamie Echols) Overbey, Sr. (known as "Mother Overbey" - celebrated her 100th birthday)
- 1975 Mrs. J.W. (Lillian Norris) Hooker
- 1976 Mrs. C.B. (Mary Carpenter) Temple
- 1977 Mrs. C.E. (Bertha Bragg) Putze
- 1978 Mrs. R.E. (Lena Stultz) Turner
- 1979 Miss Estelle Moorefield
- 1981 Mrs. Drake (Sarah Whitney) Pritchett
- 1982 Mrs. H.H. (Laura Youngblood) Williamson
Mr. Warren C. Fulton
- 1983 Mrs. M.W. (Arietta Tate) Siviter
Mrs. W.D. (Virginia Blankeney) Vincent
- 1984 Mrs. D.A. (Rebecca Millner) Overbey, Jr.
- 1985 Mrs. M.S. (Margaret Diehl) Choate
- 1987 Mrs. R.G. (Loraine Arey) Clark
- 1988 Mrs. B.K. (Nancy Hughey) White
- 1990 Mrs. W.C. (Martha BonDurant) Fitzgerald
- 1991 Mrs. H.W. (Katherine Simpson) Flynn
- 1992 Mrs. R.C. (Sue Lipscomb) Tate
- 1993 Mrs. F.P. (Elizabeth Sell) Hendricks
Mrs. T.K. (Ruth Carper) Laird
Mrs. G.T. (Virginia Prentiss) Newnam
- 1995 Mrs. C.C. (Netta Fae Barbery) Smith
- 1996 Mrs. R.E. (Thelma Brammer) Meadors
- 1997 Mrs. J.H. (Margaret Ann Choate) Irby
- 1998 Miss Marian Lee Heard
- 1999 Miss Ariel Clementia Hill
- 2000 Mrs. H. B. (Charlotte Huff) Lowther
- 2001 Mrs. C. R. (Lib) Cuttle
- 2002 Mrs. K. H. (Margaret) Platt
- 2005 Mrs. G. (Donna) Fowlkes
Mrs. K. D. (Peggy) Obye



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

RECIPIENTS OF HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIPS (*cont'd*)

2005	Mrs. G. (Donna) Fowlkes
	Mrs. K. D. (Peggy) Obye
2007	Mrs. C. M. (Patsy) Daniel
2008	Mrs. Charles (Harriet) Haynsworth
2010	Mrs. Roy (Libby) Hodge, Jr.
2011	Mrs. Pluma (Penultima) Wiseman
2012	Mrs. Edward (Gwen) Baucom
2013	Mrs. George (Mary Lou) Snead
2014	Mrs. James (Ina) Ingram
2015	Mrs. W. S. (Lee) Norman
2016	Mrs. Warren (Rhoda) Neal

PAST PRESIDENTS AND MODERATOR WOMEN

1957-1958	Mrs. W.L. (Anne) Clement, Jr.
1958-1960	Mrs. Royster (Frances) Lyle
1960-1962	Mrs. Wellington (Sue) McMann
1962-1964	Mrs. Drake (Sally) Pritchett
1964-1966	Mrs. Malcolm A. (Marilyn) Cross
1966-1968	Mrs. Charles (Bertha) Putze
1968-1970	Mrs. Charles (Harriet) Haynsworth
1970-1972	Mrs. C.B. (Carol) Strange
1972-1974	Mrs. Walter (Martha) Fitzgerald
1974-1976	Mrs. Gaither (Ginnie) Newnam
1976-1978	Mrs. T.K. (Ruth) Laird
1978-1980	Mrs. George (Mary Lou) Snead
1980-1982	Mrs. James (Ina) Ingram
1982-1984	Mrs. Kenneth (Peggy) Obye
1984-1986	Mrs. John (Nancy) Heard
1986-1988	Miss Marian Heard
1988-1990	Mrs. Charles (Shirley) Carr
1990-1993	Mrs. George (Mary Lou) Snead
1993-1995	Mrs. Ed (Gwen) Baucom
1995-2000	Mrs. Ken (Margaret) Platt
2001-2004	Mrs. Guy (Donna) Fowlkes
2001-2004	Mrs. Ken (Peggy) Obye
2005	Mrs. W. (Rhoda) Neal
2006-2008	Ms. Nancy Wilson
2008-2010	Mrs. J. I. (Bernadine) Hayes
2010-2012	Mrs. W. S. (Lee) Norman
2012-2014	Mrs. John (Donna) Parris, Sr.
2014-2016	Mrs. Dave (Cindy) Zook

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN
2016-2018

Moderator

Marie-Louise Crane

Secretary

Bunny Hayes

Treasurer

Ava Barrett

Historian

Marie Louise Crane

Missions/Outreach Ministries

Linda Copeland

CIRCLE LEADERS

Day Circle

Carolyn Baker & Linda Copeland Co-Leaders
Charlotte Lowther Bible Study

Evening Circle

Karan Johnson & Pat Argyrakis Co-Leaders
Joyce Perez..... Bible Study

Other Opportunities

Wednesday Afternoon Bible Study

Barbara Wilkins Leader

STANDING COMMITTEES

Flower Committee

Rebecca Atkinson (Sunday)

Elizabeth Walden (Christmas & Easter flowers)

Kitchen Committee

Linda Kile

Pat Argyrakis

Gwen Baucom

Bunny Hayes

Tom Barrettt

Jackson Weller

Circles

FLOWERS

The following Circles and other groups in the congregation will please be responsible for removing the two vases of flowers from the sanctuary after Sunday's service during the designated month.

Please check the schedule in the drawer in the small kitchen off the Dunglinson-Roberts Hall. This list will tell you who has had flowers recently, so we can distribute more variedly.

2016-17

January	Deacons
February	Day Circle
March	Evening Circle
April	Day Circle
May	Bible Fellowship Class
June	Seekers Bible Class
July	Outlook Class
August	Youth
September	Evening Circle
October	Day Circle
November	Evening Circle
December	Elders

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

September 12, 2016

Flowers – Evening Circle

10:00 a.m..... Coordinating Council
12:30 p.m.. Day Circle at Church
7:00 p.m. Evening Circle
..... Evening Circle in homes

October 3, 2016

Flowers - Day Circle

10:00 a.m..... Coordinating Council
12:30 p.m.. Day Circle at Church
7:00 p.m. Evening Circle
..... Evening Circle in homes

November 7, 2016

Thank Offering Luncheon—Day Circle

Flowers - Evening Circle

10:00 a.m..... Coordinating Council
12 noon..... Thank Offering Luncheon
7:00 p.m. Evening Circle
..... Evening Circle in homes

December 5, 2016

Flowers - Elders

10:00 a.m..... Coordinating Council
12:30 p.m.. Day Circle at Church
7:00 p.m. Evening Circle
..... Evening Circle in homes

January 9, 2017

Flowers - Deacons

10:00 a.m..... Coordinating Council
12:30 p.m.. Day Circle at Church
7:00 p.m. Evening Circle
..... Evening Circle in homes

February 6, 2017

Flowers - Day Circle

10:00 a.m..... Coordinating Council
12:30 p.m.. Day Circle at Church
7:00 p.m. Evening Circle
..... Evening Circle in homes

March 6, 2017

Flowers – Evening Circle

10:00 a.m..... Coordinating Council
12:30 p.m.. Day Circle at Church

7:00 p.m. Evening Circle
..... Evening Circle in homes

April 3, 2017

Flowers – Day Circle

10:00 a.m. Coordinating Council
12:30 p.m. Day Circle at Church
7:00 p.m. Evening Circle
..... Evening Circle in homes

May 1, 2017

Flowers - Bible Fellowship Class

10:00 a.m. Coordinating Council
12:30 p.m. Day Circle at Church
7:00 p.m. Evening Circle
..... Evening Circle in home

Sunday, May 21, 2017

Afternoon Tea Social—Evening Circle

2:00 p.m. the Presbyterian Women invite all women to their
Afternoon Tea Social on Sunday, May 21st from 2 to 4 p.m.
celebrating the Birthday Offering 2017.

There are no regular meetings for June, July or August; however,
Circles are encouraged to get together during the summer for a so-
cial gathering.

PLUS PW ‘Mark Your Calendar’ Overview:

Tuesdays in September: Free Clinic Meals, 3:30 p.m.

September 6th: Outgoing Coordinating Council

September 13th: Evening Circle

September 20th: Day Circle

September 27th: Incoming Coordinating Council

September 24th: Annual Presbytery Fall gathering @
Bedford Presbyterian Church, 9:30 a.m.

1st Sunday in October: Crop Hunger Walk, 3:00 p.m.
(2016=October 2nd)

December: Angel Tree Ministry with AT party on Saturday,
17th December 2-4 p.m.

Holy Week before Easter: Serving 5 lunches, 12 noon

DAY CIRCLE

Room 108

Bible Study 2016-2017: “Who Is Jesus?”

Co-Leaders

Carolyn Baker

Linda Copeland

Bible Moderator

Charlotte Lowther

Bell, Martha

Crane, Marie-Louise

Cuttle, Lib

Ingram, Ina

Miles, Carolyn

Ava Barrett

Gerry Belton

Nicole Bracey

Rhoda Neal

Joan Reynolds

Cindy Zook

EVENING CIRCLE

Meet in Homes

Bible Study 2016-2017: "Listening to the Voice of God"

Co-Leaders

Johnson, Karan

Argyakis, Pat

Bible Moderator

Perez, Joyce

Baucom, Gwen

Beale, Harriet

Blount, Leigh

Bolt, Pat

Brown, Lisa

Clarke, Whitney

Crews, Susie

Hayes, Bernadine

Lea, Elaine

Mathena, Susan

Parris, Donna

Pinckney, Pat

Shelton, Mary Ann

Strange, Sandra

Takata, Brenna

Willeford, Lorraine

Wilson, Nancy



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