



# *Presbyterian Women*

In the Presbytery of Utah

*2018 Fall Gathering*

*Arise, Shine,  
Your Light has come.* *Isaiah 60:1*

*Giddyap and Shine, Y'all! Experiencing the 2018 PW  
Churchwide Gathering*

Presenters: Women who attended the PW Churchwide Gathering

September 21-22, 2018

Friday 5-9 PM

Saturday 9 AM-2:30 PM

First Presbyterian Church Ogden  
880 28<sup>th</sup> Street  
Ogden, Utah

**Registration - \$15.00** (includes printed materials, Friday dinner, and Saturday lunch)

**Deadline to register: September 17, 2018**

To register contact Jeanette Nosker (801.479.4795) (801.941.4795 cell) or [bnosker@msn.com](mailto:bnosker@msn.com)  
or your congregational moderator.

Please include in your RSVP:

Name

Friday and Saturday Attendance

Is this your first time to a gathering?

Any food allergies

*We request that if you register, you please honor your registration amount of \$15 even if you are unable to attend the Gathering.*

## *A Note from the Moderator*

September 2018

Dear Women of the Presbytery of Utah,

Fall is in the air, and our Fall Gathering is quickly approaching at Ogden First Presbyterian Church on Friday, September 20, and Saturday, September 21. This fall's Gathering theme is "Arise, Shine, Your Light Has Come!" Isaiah 60:1, or, as one of the plenary speakers put it: Giddyap and Shine Y'all. Women in the Utah Presbytery who participated in the PW Churchwide Gathering will engage us in the experiences and inspirations they witnessed in Louisville, Kentucky, August 2-5. We will have time for a business meeting, time to come to the table for meals provided by the PW groups of First Presbyterian, Ogden, Trinity, Wasatch, and Brigham City, time to study, pray, sing, talk, and be together as women striving to arise, shine, and live the PW 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.

As I have traveled around the Synod talking about the 2016 USA Mission Experience, I have found love and transformation in gathering together with Presbyterian Women. I hope to see you in September!

*Carol Day*

Utah Presbyterian Women Moderator

### News and Thoughts from Churchwide Gathering Participants

From Carol Day:

August 2: Carol and Marilyn were voting Reps at the Business Meeting. We were inspired by worship and women called to Lead with Love and messages to Rise Up and stand as Presbyterian Women. We were addressed by the Stated Clerk of the Presbyterian Church, J Herbert Nelson. Our resolution to adopt the WeSpeakout/ Sacred Spaces that Marilyn proposed passed!

August 3: The law says that people have the right to seek asylum in the USA . Current policy is to arrest people who come into the country because they have broken the law. Asylum seekers are being arrested in Mexico by US agents before they can come to seek asylum. This increases risky attempts to cross the border.

Stepping Out for Justice and Peace ! We (350 PWs) marched 2 miles down the mainstreet of Louisville through the developed tourist area past the **redline**. The redline is drawn by city planners and is a discriminatory tool that reinforces economic disadvantage and social disparities. We marched to transform racism into reconciliation which requires repentance and reparation. We sang *We are marching in the light of God*. We heard speeches by J. Herbert Nelson II, the Stated Clerk of the PCUSA and Tina Ward-Pugh, former Louisville Metro councilwoman currently staffing Louisville's

Office for Women.

August 4: Throughout the gathering we viewed videos on the 30 year history of PW. The last dinner was a birthday party and dress up party complete with cupcakes.

From Marilynn Collins:

Time to step up and out and get busy for God.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN IN THE PRESBYTERY OF UTAH SPRING GATHERING  
APRIL 13 & 14, 2018  
JAPANESE CHURCH OF CHRIST  
268 WEST 100 SOUTH, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH  
“Building Bridges of Understanding”

The Spring Gathering began on Friday, April 13, 2018, with Registration by Sally Hoffelmeyer-Katz, Capitol Networker, Cottonwood Presbyterian Church, and Sharon Cavagnolo, Cottonwood Presbyterian Church, Murray, Utah. This time also allowed for fellowship, viewing display tables, and participating in the book sale.

The Pastor of the Japanese Church of Christ, Rev. Brad Kramer, who offered the blessing before a delicious dinner prepared by Community of Grace Presbyterian Church, Sandy, and American Fork Community Presbyterian Church, American Fork, Utah, welcomed us.

Following dinner, Sally Hoffelmeyer-Katz, Cottonwood Presbyterian; Sarah Yates, Community Presbyterian Church, Brigham City; and Aloha Whitney, Trinity Presbyterian, Ogden presented a skit portraying the Churchwide Gathering theme, *Arise, Shine, Your Light Has Come*.

Moderator, Lynn Erickson, Community of Grace, thanked Community of Grace and American Fork for a delicious dinner, and we then moved to the Sanctuary. Lynn lit the Christ Candle signifying Christ's presence with us. She gave the Devotion titled “Unity” by Erin Davis. Erin Davis is an author, blogger, and speaker. She is a Women's Ministry Director and lives on a small farm in the Midwest. Lynn related five reasons why unity is worth fighting for: 1) Jesus passionately prayed for unity 2) Unity is fragile, handle with care 3) Unity is an evangelism tool 4) Unity is a commandment and 5) Unity protects us. Lynn cited passages of Scripture for each unity and closed the devotion in prayer.

Mary Hargis, North Networker, First Presbyterian, Ogden, acknowledged First Time Attendee Sylvia Sharman, American Fork Community Church, on Friday evening. Mary also acknowledged the hostesses from the Japanese Church of Christ first timers Betty Morishita, Karla Paige, Miki Harada, and Stephanie Mori-Nakao.

Sally Hoffelmeyer-Katz recognized Sarah Yates, outgoing Justice and Peace Coordinator on the Coordinating Team, for her service with a small gift of appreciation.

Moderator Lynn Erickson introduced our keynote speaker, Rev. Nancy Holve, Pastoral Resource, Valley Community Presbyterian, Richfield, Utah, 2017 Global Exchange to Indonesia participant. Rev. Nancy modeled her Indonesia wardrobe and showed us how to tie fabrics that were the traditional clothing worn by the Indonesian women. A slide show was presented showing where she traveled in Indonesia, a nation of islands. They encountered a typhoon and a volcanic eruption! We learned that Jakarta, the capitol, is the most congested city in the world. Five percent of the population is Presbyterian with the predominant population Muslim – the current Indonesian Government considers all religions under one “God.” Women are still at risk in Worship and are helped at the Women's Empowerment Center. There is mission work where Muslim and Christian women come together. Nancy related that Indonesia has many gods – cultures are European, Dutch and Indonesian. The program ended at 8:55 PM, and Lynn reminded everyone of our homework (read over Minutes and Bylaw changes) that were in the Newsletter. Moderator Lynn extinguished the Christ Candle, and the Gathering adjourned until Saturday morning.

Registration began at 8:00 AM on Saturday morning, April 14. There was time to view display tables and books as well as a display of Indonesian articles brought back from Indonesia by Rev. Nancy Holve.

We gathered in the Sanctuary where Loyda Kyremes, Historian, Wasatch Presbyterian, led us in songs with accompaniment by Sylvia Sharman, American Fork Community Presbyterian Church. Marilyn Collins, Together-In-Service, Trinity Presbyterian, Ogden, lit the Christ Candle and led us in a devotion on Oprah Winfrey's thoughts on relationship among and between souls and the call to correctness from Oprah's book *The Wisdom of Sundays*. This spoke of community and a common thread. If the thread is broken and not corrected, the community or unity is broken down.

Lynn Erickson, Moderator, then acknowledged Saturday First Timer, Betty Murakami, Japanese Church of Christ, Salt Lake City, Utah. Lynn presided over the Business Meeting. The Secretary's Report, Pauline Forster, Mt. Olympus Presbyterian Church, was presented and discussed. A motion was made, seconded, and the minutes were accepted as corrected. Mary VanScoyk presented the Treasurer's Report – during a discussion of the 2017 Year End Budget Report Sally Hoffelmeyer-Katz interjected for the individual PW groups not to forget the Synod giving for supporting mission when pledging. A motion was made, seconded, and the 2017 Year End Budget Report was accepted as presented. The 2018 Proposed Budget was presented. A motion was made, seconded and accepted as proposed.

Lynn presented the change in the Bylaws as combining Mission with Peace and Justice since Together-In-Service has been discontinued at the national level. A motion was made and seconded to accept the proposed change as presented. The motion carried.

Sally Hoffelmeyer-Katz recognized those who had completed their terms on the Coordinating Team: Lynn Erickson, Moderator, served 4 ½ years; Mary VanScoyk, Treasurer, 9 years; Marilyn Collins, Mission-Together-In-Service; Sarah Yates, Justice and Peace; and Linda Olson, Horizons. Each was presented with a small gift to show gratitude.

Three people were recognized who filled 1-year terms: Mary Hargis, North Networker; Jane Lee Vondette, Website administrator; and Carol Day, Vice Moderator.

The new slate of Officers was presented and elected as follows:

Carol Day – Moderator  
Pauline Forster – Secretary  
Lynn Erickson – Treasurer  
Sally-Hoffelmeyer-Katz – Capitol Networker/Search  
Mary Hargis – North Networker/Search  
Loreen Heil – South/Central Networker/Search  
Karen Durrant – Newsletter/Program Editor  
Rev. Nancy Holve – Pastoral Resources  
Jane Lee Vondette – Website Administrator  
Linda Olson – Justice, Peace and Mission Coordinator  
Eva Edwards – Horizons Magazine

Lynn related information on the Churchwide Gathering to be held in Louisville, KY, August 2 – 5, 2018. Information on scholarship applications was available on display table. Others who have attended Churchwide Gatherings in the past spoke regarding their experiences. Rev. Nancy Holve shared more of her Indonesian clothing and showed Richfield's Valley Community Presbyterian Church's new cookbook on sale for \$10.00 or two for \$20.00.

Marilynn Collins, Moderator PW Synod, discussed not sending any more articles to IMA, (International Medical Assistance). The next USA mission opportunity will be upper state New York. The theme is "Standing on the Shoulders of Empowered Women." Applications are due August 15, 2018, for this July 12-22, 2019 mission experience. The Synod Gathering will be August 9-11, 2019, in Sheridan, Wyoming – topic "And Yet She Persists" – held in the Sheridan Holiday Inn; this can be a family vacation as well. Marilynn mentioned that the Rocky Mountain Synod consists of all of Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, and Utah. Important topics will be discussed regarding the Church and PW shrinking and downsizing publications staff which concerns the Horizon Magazine and Bible Study, which is free with the Horizon subscription. Special Offering Checks for Churchwide Gathering are to be made out to PW Presbytery of Utah – gift cards to be purchased for \$10.00 each, to be presented at the Churchwide Gathering. Upcoming events were mentioned – Presbyterian Women's Retreat in Park City, April 28-29, \$115.00 shared room or \$145.00 personal room. Contact First Presbyterian Church of Salt Lake City. A motion was made to close the business meeting, seconded, and the meeting was adjourned. First Presbyterian Church of Ogden provided snacks.

We resumed in the Sanctuary as Moderator, Lynn Erickson, introduced our speaker, Heidi Herrick who is working on her PhD in Refugee Resilience and Transformation. Heidi works with Spice Kitchen incubator, a program of the International Rescue Committee. Their goal is to assist refugees, immigrants, and other low-income entrepreneurs in learning about the U.S. food industry standards and small business development. She noted that 65.6 million people are displaced. Some cannot return to their homeland due to persecution. You can find the Spice Kitchen at local Salt Lake City farmer's markets. The Spice Kitchen is located at 2180 South 300 West. <https://spicekitchenincubator.org/>. An honorarium will be issued to International Rescue Committee.

Marilynn Collins then led a workshop titled Sacred Spaces: Building bridges of understanding to victims of sexual and gender based violence. Violence against others has been declared a public health problem. We need to speak up, especially in residences, be an advocate. She gave us some practical ways to help an abused person – always inform police. We then chose a partner and took turns role playing, listening to each other as we shared our or a friend's story of abuse. This was a rewarding exercise. Marilynn is willing to present this program to our groups. We closed with reading *Prayer for Thursdays in Black*.

Lynn Erickson adjourned us at 12:30 PM for lunch, and Rev. Nancy Holve gave the blessing. Lunch was prepared and served by the Japanese Church of Christ, and Mt. Olympus Presbyterian Church helped with a monetary donation.

At 12:30, we gathered in the Sanctuary for Worship led by Rev. Nancy Holve on "Sharing in Community – Indonesia: Reflections Thus Far." Piano accompaniment was again Sylvia Sharman. Scriptures were Leviticus 19:33-34, Romans 1:11-12, and 1 Corinthians 12:12-27 that were read by some in the Congregation. Rev. Holve stressed that no matter our race or color we are all children of God, aliens in a land – hospitality is important. This was compared to Paul's longing to be with his Christian followers. There is hope of peace and justice – we are indeed "one body" – working in this together.

New and returning officers were installed during the Worship Service, and Mary VanScoyk, Trinity Presbyterian, Ogden, commissioned those who were to attend the Churchwide Gathering. Worship was closed with Communion served by American Fork and Mt. Olympus Presbyterian Churches.

The Christ Candle was extinguished, and we concluded our Worship Service and our Spring Gathering at the Japanese Christian Church.

Special Offering – Churchwide Gathering Gift Cards	\$521.00
Least Coin Offering	\$5.05
Cents-Ability Offering	\$12.08
Martinpur Book Sale	\$30.50

42 people attended

Respectfully submitted,  
Pauline Forster  
Secretary

Our Website: [pwutah.org](http://pwutah.org)

Please contact Jane Lee Vondette at [JLVO@AOL.com](mailto:JLVO@AOL.com) if you would like to add content to the website.



## Lodging for the Fall Gathering

Hampton Inn	2401 Washington	801-394-9400	\$99
	Code: First Presbyterian Church parking on Kiesel behind Inn (Small lot but you can park in big lot and get voucher. Must walk around to hotel.) valet parking available		
Marriott	247 24th St,	801-62-1190	\$109
Hilton	2271 Washington	801-399-2000	\$109

## Directions to First Presbyterian Church, Ogden, Utah

Northbound. Take I-15 north. Take exit 341 31st St. Head east on 31st St. TURN LEFT on Washington. Head north, turn right on 28th St. Continue to 880 East 28th St.

Southbound. Take I-15 south. Take exit 341 31st St. Head east on 31st St. TURN LEFT on Washington. Head north, turn right on 28th St. Continue to 880 East 28th St.

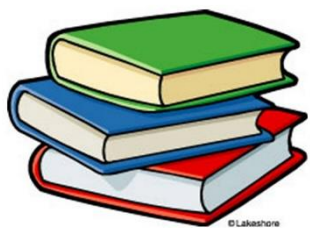
**Moderators:** You are an important member of the Presbytery Coordinating Team. Moderators of congregations, please plan to attend the Presbytery Coordinating Team meetings. You, or a spokesperson from your congregation's PW, are needed to assist in planning the Spring and Fall Gatherings. These planning meetings also help you meet women from across the state and find out what is going on in our Presbytery of Utah PW. Networkers will contact you to let you know the dates and times of the meetings as well as carpooling information.

If you have a new contact or a correction to the moderator contact list, please contact Carol Day at [carolanneday@gmail.com](mailto:carolanneday@gmail.com).

## Upcoming Events

USAME 2019 application deadline	August 15	to Marilyn Collins
Fall Gathering scholarship deadline	September 10	to Sally Hoffelmeyer-Katz
Fall Gathering registration deadline	September 17	to Jeanette Nosker
Winter CT meeting (2019)	Feb 2	Springville, UT
2019 Spring Gathering	April 12 & 13	Springville, UT
2019 USA Mission Experience	Finger Lakes Region, New York	
Standing on the Shoulders of Empowered Women		
2019 Synod Gathering	August 9-11	Sheridan Wyoming Holiday Inn
2020 Spring Gathering	April 24 & 25	Community of Grace Sandy, UT

**Brigham City PW will hold its Fall Rummage Sale** on Saturday, October 6, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. During that time, we will also be serving sloppy joes, homemade pie and brownies, coffee and soft drinks. Come browse, buy a treasure or two, and visit over treats in our dining room.



### **BOOK SALE**

Time to make room on your bookshelves for some new volumes? Have some excellent stories or reference books you would like to share? Bring them to the Spring Gathering and share your wealth with sisters. Hardback and paperback books, DVDs, and audio books are all welcome. Proceeds are forwarded to the PC(USA) for use by Martinpur School in Pakistan, where they help with upgrading of the school library.



# Presbyterian Women Thank Offering

Presbyterian Women's Thank Offering is received annually in the fall. This offering gives women a tangible way to express their gratitude for the special blessings in their lives. Gifts from Presbyterian Women have made possible hundreds of projects, addressing issues such as agricultural development, childcare, community organization, criminal justice, drug counseling, economic justice, elderly care, employment training, homelessness, literacy, violence, and women's concerns. At least 40 percent of the offering supports health ministries throughout the world. The remaining 60 percent funds new creative ideas for mission. The Thank Offering will be due to Lynn Erickson, PWP Treasurer, with the fourth quarter payment no later than December 10, 2018.

Mary Louise Griswold VanScoyk

March 29, 1943 ~ June 21, 2018



Mary Louise Griswold VanScoyk was born March 29, 1943 and passed away June 21, 2018. Mary was a decades-long member of PW at Trinity Presbyterian Church in Ogden, Utah. She was a creative seamstress and active in sewing and crafting items for the annual Ogden women's holiday bazaar and mission projects. She also was a lead organizer of the annual Christmas luncheons at Trinity and an active participant in Circle. Mary served on the Utah Presbytery PW Coordinating Team as the newsletter editor and several terms as treasurer. She attended Churchwide and Synod gatherings and had PW friends throughout the Rocky Mountains. Mary was also an ordained deacon who loved to visit folks.

Her declining health kept her from being as active as she'd like the past two years, but she kept PW in prayer and encouraged us to keep on giving and being supportive of mission projects here and abroad. Mary was the eternal optimist. Her PW friends throughout Utah meant a lot to her! Mary touched many lives. We will miss her.

The Thank Offering was one of Mary's favorite missions. To honor Mary and her service to the Lord, the PPW Coordinating Team voted to donate \$500 to the Thank Offering in Mary's name. If you wish to donate, please donate to the Thank Offering in Mary's name. Envelopes will be available at the Fall Gathering.

## Phyllis Rooney Celebrates 95<sup>th</sup> Birthday

On July 29, Phyllis Rooney celebrated her 95<sup>th</sup> birthday. A party was hosted by her son and daughter-in-law and attended by children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, friends, and more family. A grand party for an amazing woman on her 95th birthday. You go girl!



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### PWP Officer Opportunities – YOU CAN DO IT!

Prayerfully be thinking about how you can serve PW in one of the following CT positions beginning the Spring of 2019. Please contact your Networker with interest and/or questions:

**Vice-Moderator, Secretary, Historian, Newsletter Creator/Editor,  
Networker/Search Capitol**

Mary Hargis – North Area: 801-773-7632 [mkh.3@juno.com](mailto:mkh.3@juno.com)

Sally Hoffelmeyer-Katz – Capitol Area: 801-272-5356

[sahoffelmeyerkatz@comcast.net](mailto:sahoffelmeyerkatz@comcast.net)

Loreen Heil – South/Central Area: 801-836-6577

[heil2loreen@gmail.com](mailto:heil2loreen@gmail.com)

**The Presbyterian Women in the Synod of the Rocky Mountains (PW) and the Wyoming PW invite you to attend our Triennial Gathering**

**“And yet she persisted!”  
Women of Great Faith,  
Courage, and Determination**



August 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
at the Holiday Inn  
Sheridan, Wyoming

- *Featuring the 2019 USAME participant: Women of Faith”*
- *Workshops*
- *Trolley Tour to the Brinton Museum for lunch*



*“American*

Registration: \$135

*Early Bird Rate* if received before July 10<sup>th</sup> 2019: \$125.00

- Registration includes Friday Dinner, Saturday Breakfast/Dinner, Sunday Breakfast/Lunch

❖ Special room rates for attendees: \$89+ per night double occupancy

Call: Holiday Inn Convention Center (307)672-8931 to make room reservations Ask for “PW Triennium Special Rate”

For more information and to receive a registration form, contact:  
Kathy Lundberg (406)580-5809 or [Kathleenlundberg@gmail.com](mailto:Kathleenlundberg@gmail.com)

**NEED BASED SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION  
PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN IN THE PRESBYTERY OF UTAH  
FOR PWP GATHERINGS**

\*\*Application for Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of Utah only

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Congregation \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address:

Street or P.O. Box \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Scholarship Request for travel expenses: up to **\$100** \_\_\_\_\_ (To assist with mileage at government charitable rate of 14 cents for round trip mileage, housing based on need and registration fee.)

Have you attended a PWP Gathering before? No \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, when \_\_\_\_\_

Have you previously received a grant from PW to attend an event? No \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_

Will you be able to attend without a scholarship? No \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_

Number of miles traveling to the Gathering \_\_\_\_\_ Will you carpool? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, whom are you carpooling with? \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be sharing a room with anyone/if so whom? \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for Request: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Moderator's Endorsement:

Moderator's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Application must be completed and signed by your PWC Moderator prior to sending to:

**Sally Hoffelmeyer-Katz, 6150 Steeple Chase Lane Salt Lake City 84121**

**or sahoffelmeyerkatz@comcast.net**

**By September 10, 2018**