**Presbyterian Women in Utah Coordinating Team**

**Summer Zoom Planning Meeting, July 11, 2020**

PWP CT members present on the call:

Carol Day, Moderator

Verlane Seiler, Vice Moderator

Janet Wortley, Historian

Sally Hoffelmeyer-Katz, Treasurer

Marilynn Collins, Secretary

Emily Lower, Justice, Peace & Mission Coordinator

Aloha Whitney, Newsletter

Rev. Nancy Holve, Pastoral Resources

Jane Lee Vondette, Website Administrator

Jane McCoy, Cedar City

Jeanette Nosker, Ogden First

Pauline Forster, Mt Olympus

Sarah Yates, Brigham City

Pam Lewis, Community of Grace (COG)

Loyda Kyremes, Wasatch

Guests: Lynn Erickson, COG; Jeri Joy (USAME participant, WY)

Excused: Loreen Heil, Networker/Search South/Central Region; Eva Edwards, Horizons

The meeting opened with a welcome, a devotion, reaffirmation of PW’s stance against racism, and virtual lighting of the Christ Candle by Carol Day.

Secretary’s Report, Marilynn Collins

PWP CT minutes from the February 15, 2020 meeting were reviewed, corrected and approved as corrected. Minutes of the Zoom 2020 PW Utah Spring Business Meeting, held on April 18, were shared, corrected, and recommended for approval at the Fall gathering. Updated version will be sent out by Marilynn to all CT members and the Website Administrator.

Treasurer Report, Sally Hoffelmeyer Katz

Sally shared the second quarter financial report. Year-to-date giving is low because circles are not meeting. She has received $2536 of a budgeted $3440 for worldwide mission giving; $1078.50 of a budgeted $1110 for synod giving, and $1290 of $1330 for presbytery giving. The Birthday Offering total donation of $755 includes $700 in donations in memory of Phyllis Rooney and Linda Olsen.

On the expense side, the pledge to PW nationally has not been paid. The Least Coin total of $220.04 includes donations received in 2019.

PW Utah has $10,376.71 in checking and savings. Of that total, $6058.04 is committed to scholarships, CWG voting rep. expenses, Global Exchange and USAME expenses. $4318.67 is available.

Moderator’s Report, Carol Day

Carol has just moved to Park City. Her new address is: 3257 Big Spruce Way, Park City, UT 84098. She would like to start a PW book group and is looking for suggestions. She concurrently serves as Moderator of PW in the Synod of the Rocky Mountains. The next Synod CT meeting is scheduled for Highlands Camp, CO, in January. The Synod CT is looking for a Utah-based PW leader to coordinate the anticipated 2022 PW Synod Gathering. If you are interested, contact Carol or Sally Hoffelmeyer-Katz. Carol reminded everyone that the Quarterly News for Presbyterian Women Leaders is only available online.

Vice Moderator’s Report, Verlane Seiler

Historian Report, Janet Wortley

Janet is busy getting photos printed and the scrapbooks updated.

Networkers/Search Reports

Mary Hargis, North Region Networker, shared that First Pres. Ogden is worshipping over Youtube. Aloha shared that Ogden Trinity has been having Zoom circle meetings and will have combination Zoom/in person meetings in July and August. The Trinity pastor is going to be half time and a member is holding brief daily prayer gatherings on Zoom. Sarah Yates shared that Brigham City PW has not been meeting. Rev. Stellmon has been leading worship on Youtube and providing daily meditations. August 2 worship in the park is scheduled. Coffee klatch is on Zoom. The church received a PPP grant.

Capitol Region – Sally reported that Cottonwood worship is held weekly outdoors. Loyda shared that Wasatch celebrated the ordination of Andrew Fleischman, is having online worship and midweek meditations. PW meets via Zoom twice a month and has an evening book club. Pam shared that Community of Grace is worshipping via Zoom and is considering PW is considering an evening Bible study. Pauline reported that Mt. Olympus is having worship on Facebook and she hopes PW will resume meeting in the fall.

South/Central Region – American Fork is in a time of transition; it has released Mike Heil as pastor. Keep them in prayer. Emily shared that Springville held in person worship during June but has gone back to Zoom-only worship, lead weekly with pulpit supply. Nancy related that Richfield worship is held in person and on Zoom simultaneously. So far social distancing has been good. Jane shared that Cedar City is opening for worship, masks required, on July 12, but will continue using Youtube as well. Bible and brew is held weekly online.

Search/Nominations – Openings in 2021 include: Networker/Search for North and Central regions, treasurer, vice moderator, pastoral resources and website coordinator. JaneLee has volunteered to serve again as Website coordinator.

Justice & Peace, Mission Emily Lower – Emily sent a report today and will send it to Aloha for the newsletter. It includes Justice and Peace dates, appeal for funds, directions for listening to a Haiti mission co-worker online, racial justice concerns (including an article by Joy Durrant published in Horizons sharing her journey in complicity with racism). YWCA is in the midst of a 21-day racism challenge and the PCUSA has an 8-day challenge accessible online (www.pcusa.org)

Newsletter – deadline for the fall issue is August 15, with publication scheduled for August 22. Specific article needs for the newsletter: Churchwide Gathering publicity (Carol), Giving and finances (Sally), Search (Mary Hargis), Justice/Peace/Justice (Emily), Jeri bio (Carol), Thank Offering (Sally), Deadlines (Carol)

Pastoral Resources, Rev. Nancy Holve - Nancy served as Utah’s Minister Commissioner to General Assembly. She reported on that meeting. She also recommended the new Horizons Bible study online introduction, which is excellent. Loyda commented on a controversy at General Assembly around recognizing Black women and girls. And as a result, 2 letters were widely distributed calling on churches and the assembly to address these issues and the harm the assembly's inaction created. More information can be found on the PCUSA website on actions of the GA.

Website Administrator, Jane Lee Vondette – the website will be updated after this meeting.

2020 Fall Gathering Planning – after discussion it was approved that the 2020 Fall Gathering will be a virtual meeting, using Zoom, for 2 hours on September 19

Theme: Great Women of Faith or Standing on the Shoulders of Empowered Women

Speaker: Jeri Joy USAME Synod of Rocky Mountains Participant to Finger Lakes

Region New York, (Sheridan Wyoming)

Reservation deadline: Thursday September 17 to Carol Day

Flyer for Publicity: Carol will edit and send to everyone this week

Planning team for the virtual gathering: Carol Day, Sally Hoffelmeyer-Katz, Verlane Seiler, Marilynn Collins, Aloha Whitney. They will meet using Zoom.

Zoom host: Carol Day. Who will email the meeting invitation and link to those who register?

Tentative schedule:

9:40 – 10:00 am socializing

10:00 am Verlane opens the gathering with prayer and lights Christ candle. Essential business items discussed and decided.

10:15 am Jeri Joy presentation

11:00 am Guided sharing, led by Carol

11:30 am Worship led by Rev. Nancy Holve. Includes communion. Directions for preparation for communion will be included in the order of worship. Order of worship will be sent by Nancy to Carol, who will distribute it the week before the gathering.

12:00 pm Closing prayer

12:00-12:20 Socializing

Spring Gathering 2021 – Cedar City has withdrawn its invitation due to Covid fears. An alternate site was not named. PW Utah will work through Zoom until it is safe for everyone to meet in public. The Cedar City program leader might be able to present online. Jane offered to inquire.

Future planning:

PWPCT Meeting for planning and finalizing details: scheduled to meet via Zoom on February 6, 10 am.

The meeting closed with prayer by Rev. Nancy at 12:50 pm.

Marilynn Collins

Secretary