## **Voices of Purpose**

**June 2024** 

Quarterly Newsletter of the Greater New Jersey United Women in Faith



## Holly Cyrus as our new GNJUWF President!

and



Sue Zahorbenski for your new position as Vice President, NEJ United Women in Faith



### President's Message

After Sue Zahorbenski was elevated to Vice President of Northeastern Jurisdiction of United Women in Faith, I was voted in for the remainer of her term.

Hello to you all! I will be your Greater New Jersey United Women in Faith President through the end of December 2024. I thank you for ALL you do for your local churches as well as the Conference

Our Mission theme was Welcome Home! I do hope that you were able to come. If not, please know that this in your home and we want you to always feel welcome. You are part of the kin-dom of God where all are welcome at the table.

I look forward to working with you for the remainer of the year. We have our Fall Meeting coming up at the GNJ UMC Conference Center on Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> and I hope to see you there!

Holly Cyrus
GNJUWF President

### Past President's Message

What a summer we are having! So many heat waves, we've lost count of the days. Some parts of the country and the world are faring worse than New Jersey, with many heat-related deaths. I pray that you and yours are staying cool and hydrated!

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## Issue Highlights

- New GNJUWF President and NEJ Vice President
- GNJUWF Micro-Retreat
- NEJ and Mission u Conferences
- 2024 Olympic Games
- UWF New Board Members, Program Advisory Group, and other news.





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June 2024

### **Greater New Jersey United Women in Faith**

#### Welcome Statement

GNJ United Women in Faith affirms that the grace of God is extended to all God's children without exception.

United Women in Faith seeks to connect and nurture women through Christian spiritual formation, leadership development, creative fellowship, and education so they can inspire, influence and impact local and global communities.

We are committed to the inclusion of people of every gender identity, gender expression, and sexual orientation as well as people of every age, ethnicity, physical and mental ability, level of education, and family structure, and of every economic, immigration, marital, and social status.

We make a bold choice to work for intersectional peace with justice and to create inclusive communities that respect the dignity and sacred worth of all God's children, and honor our shared, common humanity.



#### Past President's Message (continued from page 2)

This will be my last newsletter to you all. I was in this last year of my term as president of Greater NJ, when the Northeast Jurisdiction (NEJ) and Marilyn Powell came calling! I was elected at the meeting in Providence, Rhode Island in April 2024, where we also elected Yvonne Bouknight as a Director for the National Office of United Women in Faith. Be sure to pray for her, as she is also in the deaconess-candidate process!

So now I am the Vice President of the NEJ United Women in Faith responsible for helping with the planning of the next jurisdictional meeting in 2028! Perhaps that was good news for the jurisdiction, but what about our conference? It meant I could not complete my final year as president here. Fortunately, with God's generous provision, Holly Cyrus agreed to serve as president in my stead. Please welcome her and support her as you did so graciously for me over the past 3½ years!

Thank you to Holly and to Kathy Schulz, our Nominations Committee Chair, who has been hard at work. Kathy is preparing a slate that will be presented this fall and voted on at our annual meeting on October 26<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at the GNJ Mission Resource Center in Neptune Township, from 9am-3pm. The theme will be the environment and climate justice, with workshops and lunch. See the national website at <a href="https://uwfaith.org/?s=climate+justice">https://uwfaith.org/?s=climate+justice</a> for our official statement and actions for "Just Energy for All."

Please look elsewhere in this newsletter for "news" about Mission U on July 12-14. We had a great time! Thanks again for all you do to support United Women in Faith and the wonderful work we do for women, children, and youth.

Sue Zahorbenski
Past GNJUWF President
VP of NEJ United Women in Faith





## Mission u 2024 - The Kin-dom Is Among You: Drawing Closer to God and One Another

Mission u is a transformative educational program that encompasses both Bible-based curricula and events. All are welcome to engage with either or both components of Mission u.

Each year, United Women in Faith develops three justice-focused Biblical curricula for adults, youth, and children, all on a common theme. In 2024, our theme was *The Kin-dom Is Among You: Drawing Closer to God and One Another*. In 2025, the theme will be *Hope as Resurrection People*. Our focus on developing three curricula around one common theme means that Mission u offers a unique opportunity for faith communities to create powerful intergenerational learning experiences.

#### The 2024 Mission u offered the following eight one-hour sessions curriculum:

- Welcome Home: Adult Education by Neomi Fletcher
- Cultivating Symbiosis: The Nature of God's Kin-dom. A Youth Curriculum by Nica Sy
- Me in the Kin-dom: A Children's Curriculum by Kathy Cook

The primary purpose of the Adult Education session by Neomi Fletcher was to allow us to sort through our lived experiences and develop a deeper understanding of the love God extends to us and invites us to extend to each other. The training involved eight (8) explorations in the "Welcome to God's Kingdom" to know God as an intimate close friend who is willing to share the secrets of the day with us. The explorations agenda was:

- 1. Opened by comparing God as a caring, nurturing parent through the parable of the prodigal son with models of authoritarian, punitive power familiar in a contemporary society.
- 2. Adults worked together through a scavenger hunt to continue building a fuller picture of who God is as revealed across Scripture.
- 3. Began a journey of exploring what it means to build kinship with the youth in our communities as an extension of the kin-dom of God here and now.
- 4. Helped us consider how our faith formation is strengthened and challenged by our belonging to communities with attention to God's view of us as revealed in Scripture.
- 5. Taught us to fully live into God's original plan for all creation and to begin living in harmony with others as members of the body of Christ.
- 6. Explored how our physical homes impact our acceptance of God as an abiding presence and to offer that presence to others.

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#### Mission u 2024 (continued)

- 7 Exploration of the challenges of extending the kin-dom to others amid a deeply divided society.
- 8 Returning to the parable of the prodigal son, attendees were invited to consider what it might mean to "come to our senses" and embrace the God who desires us to return home to the kingdom of God.





For more information, visit the United Women in Faith website at <a href="https://uwfaith.org/events/mission-u/">https://uwfaith.org/events/mission-u/</a>

**Sources:** Article by Joyce Pratt from "Welcome Home" adult curriculum book. Photo submitted by Sue Zahorbenski.







# United Women in Faith Night at Barclays Center



#### Save the Date:

Saturday, August 24th, 2024

Join us for an exciting evening as the New York Liberty takes on the Connecticut Sun!

#### Tickets available here.

A portion of each ticket sale will be donated to support our mission.

Purchase a ticket for yourself or sponsor a youth to attend the event.

Let's come together to **Move4Mission** and raise funds to support women, children, and youth.

#### **Get Your Tickets:**

https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/Unitedwomen2

For questions, please reach out to development@uwfaith.org. Looking forward to seeing you there!



# Northeastern Jurisdiction Report for GNJ July 24, 2024

#### Dear GNJ UWFaith:

I was happy to serve as your Northeastern Jurisdiction representative for the past four years as Chair of Nominations. My term is now completed. Susan Zahorbenski will be serving as your new NEJ representative as Vice President for the next four years. Yvonne Bouknight will be serving as your National Director from Greater New Jersey for the NEJ.

I thank everyone for your support and prayers. Planning an NEJ event comes with its challenges and if it were not for your support, we could not have done this. I am looking forward to serving you as what God has planned for me with the next UWFaith event.

I also thank everyone who attended our NEJ event in Providence, RI. Our overall evaluations were positive. The verbal feedback stated it was well organized, the speakers did a good job. The dance party with the Legacy Fund competition was a fun time. We had a large amount of help for boxing items for the Ubuntu project. Items were given to a local church in Providence, RI. [Visit gnjuwf.org, GNJUWF News & Events for evaluations.]

Some of the negative responses included: the lack of signage, additional guides, and additional workshops. The lack signage which the Conference Center was to provide was because we were under our 300-person quota, guidance at the bottom of the escalators was rejected by security, and workshop limitations were due to lack of speakers available. We extend our apologies and will plan to overcome these issues at our next Jurisdiction.

Bishop Vasti McKenzie and UWFaith CEO Sally Vonner were our big guest speakers who did a great job. Yvette Richards was very helpful in facilitating our event and chaired the voting delegates. I believe the meals were well planned and suggestions from our survey such as personal meal choices will be taken into consideration.

The Legacy Banquet and our dance party raised \$32,000 from the Northeastern Jurisdiction.

Great job everyone. All monies were sent to UWFaith National and GNJUWF proceeds will be reported later. Our goal was to raise \$6000 for the Northeastern Jurisdiction.

Sally Vonner's Challenge is to raise \$10 million/year to meet our goal by 2028 for the Legacy Fund. These funds would be turned over to the next generation.

Submitted by Marilyn Powell, NEJ CON 2024



## THE UPPER ROOM®

### **Daily Devotional**

June 30, 2024

### **Peaceful Sleep**

**Delores Kight** (Florida, USA)

In a small-group discussion at my church, I mentioned that I often struggled to fall asleep. Another member of the group, a retired school psychologist, said that he tells people not to look ahead to their plans for the next day when trying to sleep but rather to look back at what they did that day.

As I reflected on this, I thought of the Creation story in Genesis 1. At the end of each day during the process of creation, God looked at creation and said it was good. So I decided to combine God's pattern in Genesis with the psychologist's advice.

At night before sleeping, I looked back at my day. As I remembered each event, accomplishment, or interaction, I thought, It was good, and thanked God for it. When I remembered an unpleasant experience, I still thought, It was good. Then I thanked God for what was good about it, such as a valuable lesson I learned or my gratitude that God was with me through the experience.

I now use this process every night, and it continues to bless me. It helps me fall asleep and puts me in a good frame of mind daily.

When you lie down, you will not be afraid; when you lie down, your sleep will be sweet. Proverbs 3:24 (NIV)

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# Camden Education Fund Makes Grants to 27 Nonprofits

By NEILL BOROWSKI

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https://www.tapinto.net/

<u>Camden Education Fund</u> (CEF) granted 26 nonprofits a total of \$475,000. On July 24, 2024, Tess Holley, Assistant Director of The Neighborhood Center joined some of the 26 nonprofit leaders at the Camden Arts Yard to celebrate the annual gifts.



The Neighborhood Center, a nonprofit that focuses on the city's youth, learned it had received a \$40,000 grant for the first time from the Camden Education Fund. The \$40,000 grant was CEF's largest this year to organizations that serve youth.

The CEF is a nonprofit organization dedicated to accelerating progress in Camden's public school system.

Article submitted by Sara Joslin and Yvonne Bouknight, 7/26/24. For full article visit: <a href="https://www.tapinto.net/towns/camden/sections/giving-back/articles/camden-education-fund-makes-grants-to-27-nonprofits">https://www.tapinto.net/towns/camden/sections/giving-back/articles/camden-education-fund-makes-grants-to-27-nonprofits</a>.







Watch NBC 2024 Summer Olympics in Paris, France from July 24 to August 11, 2024. **206 National Olympic Committees (NOCs)** are participating representing countries from around the world, each sending their athletes to compete in various sports and events.

It's a celebration of global athleticism and unity!

The very best of who we are!

While you're watching, cheer for USA medals.

Source: Microsoft Bing Copilot, 7/29/24.



## United Women in Faith 2024-2028 Board and Program Advisory Group

United Women in Faith announced the names of its new 25-member board of directors and a new Program Advisory Group for the 2024-2028 quadrennium.

Conference United Women in Faith delegates elected 20 new directors to represent their respective areas in recent jurisdiction meetings. Five additional directors were selected by the extended governance committee of the outgoing board to enhance age and racial diversity of the board.

A nominating committee from the outgoing board also named members to serve on the organization's Program Advisory Group for the upcoming quadrennium.

Visit <a href="https://uwfaith.org/press/2024/united-women-in-faith-announces-2024-2028-board-program-advisory-group/">https://uwfaith.org/press/2024/united-women-in-faith-announces-2024-2028-board-program-advisory-group/</a> to read more.

Yvonne Bouknight
GNJUWF Legacy Fund Committee Chair

**Voices of Purpose Editor's Note:** Yvonne Bouknight was one of the 20 board members elected by United Women in Faith as a Northeast Jurisdiction meeting delegate and member of the Program Advisory Group.

#### **United Women in Faith News**

Climate Justice. Sponsored by United Methodist Church's <u>Creation Justice</u> <u>Movement</u>, United Women in Faith partnered with Global Ministries, the Love Your Neighbor Coalition, and the General Board of Church and Society for an Earth Day vigil on April 22, 2024. [https://uwfaith.org/general-conference/2024/earth-day-vigil-for-creation/.]

Environmental Protection. United Women in Faith condemned the June 25, 2024 United States Supreme Court decision overturning the "Chevron doctrine" as a precarious setback for environmental regulations and the environmental justice community. [https://uwfaith.org/press/2024/united-women-in-faith-condemns-supreme-court-decision-undermining-environmental-protections/.]

**Juneteenth Celebration.** On June 19, 2024, One of United Women in Faith's National Mission Institutions, Northcott Neighborhood House in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, host its 53rd annual Juneteenth Day Parade and Celebration. It is one of the nation's longest-running Juneteenth celebrations by Northcott and more than 50,000 people and about 400 vendors were expected. [https://uwfaith.org/latest-news/2024/may-june-response-nmi-to-host-juneteenth-celebration/.]

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#### **United Women in Faith News** (continued)

Leadership Development Days will take place **Nov. 21-23, 2024**, with the theme "Revive and Lead: Empowered by Resurrection."

United Women in Faith is offering grants to support your climate justice work. Applications are due for the first round of **Just Energy for All seed funding on July 31, 2024.** Apply today on our website.

Join us on Tuesday August 6 at 7 p.m. (ET) for an author talk on the book <u>The Loneliness Epidemic</u>, featured in the 2024 <u>United Women in Faith Reading Program</u> with writer Susan Mettes! Register for the Zoom event.



The 2024 Northeastern Jurisdiction (NEJ) Quadrennial Meeting in Providence Rhode Island, April 18 – 21, 2024, was educational, creative, and fun as we enjoyed spiritual training and songs as a family group for a better tomorrow! Please visit the GNJUWF website at <a href="https://www.gnjumw.org">www.gnjumw.org</a> for NEJ:

Survey Results
Comments
Song List

The Northeastern Jurisdiction of United Women in Faith is comprised of ten (10) Annual Conferences of the United Methodist Church. They are Baltimore-Washington, Eastern Pennsylvania, Greater New Jersey, New England New York, Peninsula Delaware, Susquehanna, Upper New York, West Virginia and Western Pennsylvania, Annual Conferences. https://nejuwfaith.org/.



## GNJUWF Micro-Retreat August 31, 2024

We all know that what is happening in our country and in our world can be both frightening and discouraging. More than ever, the world needs our prayers.

Join us on **Saturday, August 31st at 10am** as together we pray the news at our microretreat. You are invited to share a news headline that causes you to fall on your knees before God in prayer as we hold our brokenness before the throne of grace.

The agenda will include readings on a selection of issues raised by the day's news headlines which can reflect bias, e.g., "Palestinian Protesters Arrested." Prayers will be asked for the conflict between Palestinians and Israelis and attendees will pray in silence, so everyone is free to lift up their concerns as the Spirit leads.



"What does the Lord require of you but to do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with your God." Micah 6:8

Micro Retreat Host: Barb Miller, GNJUWF Spiritual Enrichment Advisor

> Micro-Retreat – August 31, 2024, 10:00am Zoom Meeting ID: 848 9332 4533 Passcode: 1208

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84893324533?pwd=eGM1NWtRQ2NndnVhYjl6Nmd2YUNadz09



### Quotes from 2024 Mission u "Welcome Home" Curriculum Growing Closer to God and One Another

#### **Guiding Thought**

God's eyes are always upon us. Through the Holy Spirit we come to a place of discerning the will of God and choosing daily whose will we follow. God's eyes see our hearts. Often enough we fail to summon up the courage to be obedient to God's plan.

#### "Let Go and Let God"

Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God: what is good and acceptable and perfect. **Romans 12:2** 

#### "The Believer's Freedom"

In a country that thrives on independence, submission is a hard task. It requires a tremendous amount of trust. Do not be afraid of <u>YOUR</u> power in submission. God's loving yes are on you.

#### **Presenting Home to Another Objective**

Examine practices that promote unity and harmony in a society divided by so many categories.

#### God Chose You

You are my friends if you do what I command you. I don't call you servants any longer, because servants don't know what their master is doing. Instead, I call you friends, because everything I heard from my Father I have made known to you. You didn't choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you could go and produce fruit and so that your fruit could last. As a result, whatever you ask the Father in my name, he will give you. **John 15: 14-16** 

#### **Embracing Kinship**

Becoming kin means forming relationships with others. We must embrace practices that bring us together.

#### We are the Easter People\*

Easter is not magical. It is transcendent. Jesus is not somewhere else. Christ is everywhere—through him all creation holds together. He lives and breathes through his body, the Church. [\*John Paul II quote]

So, what does it mean to live as Easter people? It means we live as a people, all parts of Christ's Body working together toward a single purpose: love.

Submitted by Attendee Joyce Pratt



#### **GNJ United Women in Faith Calendar of Events 2024-2025**

2024-GNJ-UWF-Leadership-Team



## 2024

April 18-21 NE Jurisdiction Event in Providence, RI

April 27 Spring Celebration: "Native American Resilience and Healing"

with Carol Lakota Eastin, 9:30am-noon, Location: Medford

UMC or hybrid/Zoom

http://tinyurl.com/FlyerSpring2024

May 11 Micro Retreat, 10-10:45AM

Meeting ID 848 9332 4533, Passcode: 1208

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84893324533?pwd=eGM1NWtRQ2NndnVhYjl6Nmd2YUNadz09

May 19-21 GNJ Annual Conference, Wildwood

June 1 Program Planning Committee, 10-11:30am

June 8 & 9 Annual Pow-Wow, Salem County Fairgrounds,

Grand Entrance at noon. Saturday bake sale for St. John UMC

VBS.

July 12-14 Mission U 3-day at Centenary University

July 20 Mission U 1-day Virtual



## 2024 (GNJUWF Calendar continued)

August 3 Treasurers'/Finance Committee meeting followed by

Leadership Team, 9:30am-noon.

October 26 Fall Annual Meeting: 9:30 Gathering, 10am start, at GNJ

Mission Resource Center, Neptune. Suggested donation

toward cost of meal(s) - \$10.00.

November 2 Program Planning Committee, 10-11:30am

November 21-23 Leadership Development Days 2024 will take place virtually

through National

2025

January 11 Leadership Development on Zoom, followed by Leadership

Team, 9:30am-12:30pm

April 5 Spring Celebration

## **2024 Retreat Recordings**

Jan. 20 Leadership Development & Team Meeting
Link to slides and resources <a href="http://tinyurl.com/LD24Slides">http://tinyurl.com/LD24Slides</a>

Recording: <a href="http://tinyurl.com/LeadershipDevel24">http://tinyurl.com/LeadershipDevel24</a>

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March 21 Virtual Retreat Click here to View Passcode: S!K&qjj1

August 21 Virtual Click here to View Passcode: xvX^a7t\$

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April 22 Virtual Retreat Click to View Passcode: cV=&8v+&

June 22 Virtual Retreat Recording Click to View Passcode: 19Ua5.KN

Sept.22 Virtual Retreat Recording Click Here Passcode: 4Ctct8+K

Nov. 22 Virtual Retreat Recording Click Here Passcode: 7g&r\$Vdr

March 13 Micro-retreat, LT & Legislative Task Force: Click to View Passcode: b2Qck7@%

Sept. 23 Micro-retreat Click to View Passcode: 53Cn?N?N

Nov. 4 Micro-retreat Click to View Passcode: z@6mrvTv

Feb. 2024 Micro-retreat Click to View Passcode: qTR&?xv8

For prior year retreat recordings, visit <a href="www.gnjumw.org">www.gnjumw.org</a> under "More, Resources," and scroll down to "Retreat Recordings."

#### Proverbs 11:24-25

"One person gives freely yet gains even more; another withholds unduly but comes to poverty. A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed."



## **GNJUWF** <u>Voices of Purpose</u>

#### **Newsletter Deadlines & Distribution**

	Deadline for	
Newsletter Issue	Articles	Distribution
Spring 2024 (January – March)	April 4, 2024	April 8, 2024
Summer 2024 (April – June)	July 4, 2024	July 8, 2024
Fall 2024 (July – September)	October 3, 2024	October 7, 2024
Winter 2024 (October – December)	January 3, 2025	January 6, 2025

Visit GNJUWF website for previous published newsletters: www.gnjumw.org/news

#### **GNJUWF Website Offers**

The GNJUWF website offers the following for its readers. Visit our site at <a href="https://gnjumw.org">https://gnjumw.org</a> for a quick review.

#### About Us

UWF mission statement, priority issues, and leadership team.

#### **District**

Greater New Jersey UMC six district community of people and events.

#### News

News and events in the Methodist church and women of faith communities.

#### **GNJUWF Program & Events**

Current and future programs and events planned by GNJUWF.

#### Rules, Regulations, Recordings

GNJUWF standing rules, leadership training, new ideas, racial justice, and UMW 2021-2024 Handbook for Members & Leaders.

#### Other

Contact for information and concerns, resource links, The Neighborhood Center, DNJ Digest, legislative resources, retreat recordings, Blog TBA.



# Greater New Jersey United Women in Faith LEADERSHIP TEAM 2024-2026

President VPres/Program Coordinator Secretary

Holly Cyrus ('24) Pat Schutz ('24) Linda Wilson (24)

Membership, Nurture and

TREASURER SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT ADVISOR OUTREACH CHAIR

Carol Bloch ('24) Barbara Miller ('24) Holly Cyrus ('23)

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ADVOCATE PROGRAM RESOURCES STANDING RULES CHAIR

Sherri Shumate ('23) Grace Rapp ('25) Grace Rapp

**COMMUNICATIONS** 

PHOTOGRAPHER COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR NATIVE AMERICAN MINISTRIES REP.

Lou Hyson ('23) Joyce Pratt ('23) Leslie Bivins

**LGBTQ Representative** 

Open GNJUWF Website: www.gnjumw.org

**COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS** 

NOMINATIONS CHAIRCLASS OF 2024CLASS OF 2024CLASS OF 2024CLASS OF 2024CLASS OF 2025OpenCynthia LydonIvy DanielsRosa Lee McNairKathy Schulz

CLASS OF 2027
Rosa Williams
Jill Morrow

**APPOINTED** 

**CHARTER FOR RACIAL JUSTICE** 

Chair: Sue Zahorbenski

Members: Leslie Bivins, Joyce Pratt

Carolyn Pendleton, Millie Grey Mary Bland, Sherri Shumate,

Barbara Miller

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**Legacy Fund Committee** 

Chair: Yvonne Bouknight

Members: Sherri Shumate

#### **LEADERSHIP TEAM - 2023-2024**

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#### **DISTRICT PRESIDENTS**

**COASTAL PLAINS** 

<u>Cape Atlantic</u> <u>Central</u> <u>Delaware Bay</u> ('25)

Virgil Williams ('22) Debbie Campion ('25) Staci Sheetz

**METRO HIGHLANDS** 

MEADOWLANDS RARITAN SHORE SKYLANDS

Tracy Carroll ('25) OPEN Elizabeth (Liz) Steen ('26)

Tia Swanson ('25)

**ELECTED BY OTHER GROUPS** 

KOREAN NETWORK PRESIDENT KOREAN LANGUAGE COORDINATOR KOREAN LANGUAGE COORDINATOR

Kyungmee Kim OPEN OPEN

HISPANIC NETWORK PRESIDENT HISPANIC LANGUAGE COORDINATOR CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

OPEN OPEN Sara Joslin

**OTHER LEADERSHIP TEAMS** 

IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT UWF NATIONAL OFFICE DIRECTOR DEAN MISSION "U"

Kathleen Schulz Yvonne Bouknight Elizabeth Vaneekhoven

ASSISTANT DEAN MISSION "U" UWF NE JURISDICTION PRESIDENT

BERNADETTE CATALINE SUE ZAHORBENSKI

UWF NE JURISDICTION MISSION ADVOCATE

UWF NE JURISDICTION REPRESENTATIVE

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BETHANY AMEY-SUTTON Cynthia Moore-Koikoi

CONFERENCE UMW WEBSITE: www.gnjumw.org



#### **Social Action Resources**

#### **Greater New Jersey United Women in Faith Website**

www.gnjumw.org.

#### **National Human Trafficking Prevention Month**

www.state.gov/national-human-trafficking-prevention-month/

#### **New Jersey Assembly Bills Pending**

https://legiscan.com/NJ/pending/ssembly-state-local-government-committee/id/3085.

#### **New Jersey Legislature**

List of all New Jersey legislators in alphabetical order showing, party, hose, and district. Legislators can also be found by municipality/city. Click on "Members" and then "Legislative Roster." <a href="https://njleg.state.nj.us/legislative-roster">https://njleg.state.nj.us/legislative-roster</a>.

#### **United States House of Representatives**

Directory of U.S. Representatives (also referred to as congressmen or congresswomen) showing district name, party office, phone, and committee assignment. <a href="https://www.house.gov/representatives">https://www.house.gov/representatives</a>.

#### **United States Senate**

Listing of all U.S. senators alphabetically by name, showing state, party, office room and phone. https://www.senate.gov/senators/.

#### **United Women in Faith Website**

https://uwfaith.org.

#### **United States Congress**

Meeting sessions and links for House of Representatives and Senate and current bills search. https://congress.gov.

## Standing Rules – GNJUWF of GNJ Conference 2023

GNJUWF revised Standing Rules approved at the 2023 Annual Fall Meeting can be accessed at <a href="https://www.gnjumw.org">www.gnjumw.org</a>, under "Rules & Regulations.

