

ANNUAL SPRING GATHERING OF PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN OF TRANSYLVANIA-- MINUTES

Approved as Amended 5-2-2019

THEME: "Love Heals All"

April 27, 2019, 10:00 a.m., 2nd PC, Lexington, Dining Room & Sanctuary
NEXT PWP CT MEETING: Thursday, May 2, 2019, 1 p.m., 1st PC, Lexington

Attending: Nell Line, Moderator; Kay Grooms; Karen May; Linda Crawford; Tricia Milner; Helen Miller; Sandra Harrison; Joe Ann Wylie; Jennifer Brubaker; Barbara Snyder; Linda Reed; Sarah Henry; and Janet Robinson from the **PWP CT**. Also **Human Trafficking panel members** Summer Dickerson; The Hon. Julie Muth Goodman; Yvonne Hileman and Eileen Levy. **Worship leader** The Rev. Griffin Phillips Ryan, **Senior Pastor** John P. Leggett, 2nd PC, and **organist** Martha Anderson of 2nd PC. **Eighty-three (83) women attended** the Gathering.

After a delicious **coffee/refreshment time** provided by the women of 2nd PC, the meeting moved to the sanctuary at 10:00 a.m. After the **PRELUDE by Martha Anderson** (Chaconnes in D and G by Couperin), **Nell lit the Christ Candle** and led us in the **LITANY**. She then **welcomed everyone** and offered **the opening prayer**. Everyone joined in signing **HYMN #33, Praise The Lord, God's Glories Show**. Nell then introduced the guests and guest speakers.

Nell announced the **handout**, "What Do You Know About Human Trafficking?" Today's **OFFERING will be evenly divided between The Well of Lexington and Buckhorn Children and Family Services** (chosen by 2nd PC).

Pastor John P. Leggett of 2nd PC, welcomed the women, celebrating the gifts of women from earliest times: the women who stayed with Jesus on the cross, who witnessed the resurrection and told the disciples and the long-time faithfulness of women in the church.

Human Trafficking Panel:

- (1) **The Hon. Judge Julie Muth Goodman**. We welcomed her since Lexington Police Detective Seth Frazier was unable to attend. She presides over the Fayette District Drug Court. (See addendum for details of her presentation.)
- (2) **Yvonne Hileman**, PW Board of Directors, from PW offices of the PC(U.S.A.) in Louisville (see addendum).
- (3) **Eileen Levy**, Executive Director of The Well of Lexington (see addendum).
- (4) **Summer Dickerson**, a survivor of human trafficking and domestic violence and founder of Women of the Well Ministry, Louisville, KY. (see addendum)

Eternal Circle Remembrance and Litany was offered by Karen May. No additional names were added to the 2018 list of sisters in the program who have joined the Eternal Circle.

Roll Call of churches was given by Kay Grooms. Churches attending: Augusta (1); Berea White's Memorial (1); Cynthiana (1); Georgetown 1st (5); Maysville 1st (2); Morehead Faith (2); Richmond 1st (5); Stanford (1); Pisgah Versailles (2); Troy Versailles (3); Winchester 1st (5); Winchester Salem (1); Lex Eastminster (7); Lex 1st (8); Lex Maxwell St (6); Lex Mt. Horeb (3); Lex 2nd (23 registered, more 'helpers' with coffee/meals).

Treasurer's Report handout was summarized by Kay Grooms, PWP Treasurer: From April 21, 2018 – March 26, 2019: beginning balance \$22,958.03, total income \$5,0752.00, total expenses \$7,073.33, ending balance \$20,956.70. She mentioned the "pass through" giving and welcomed comments on the report. (see full report attached to minutes) **Add: \$70 – Cents-a-bility cups. Offering \$850.00.**

PWP Newsletter copies were available at the Handouts table. This is the last issue written by Mary Weber. Sarah Henry has assisted with inserting lovely photos.

Search Committee Report was given by Linda Crawford. **Jennifer Brubaker and Candace Moberly were nominated as co-moderators**. They were enthusiastically **elected unanimously!!** (see addendum for further information about them). Nell led their **Installation Service**.

Attendees going to the **Triennial PWSynod Gathering in Tupelo, June 13-15, were commissioned.** (See next CT minutes for names of those attending)

Presentation of **appreciation gifts to Nell Line** for her 5 years of service as PWP Moderator was made by Karen May. Also a **PW Honorary Life Membership was awarded to Sandra Harrison**, longtime moderator of PW Circle 1/Monday Beth Wachs Circle at 2nd PC, given by her circle sisters

Scripture reading: Luke 9:37-43a by The Rev. Griffin Phillips Ryan. Her Homily, "Love Heals All" was a moving part of our worship. (see addendum for details)

The Sacrament of The Lord's Supper was officiated by The Rev. Griffin Phillips Ryan, with serving by intinction.

Offering was collected, with it being equally divided between The Well of Lexington and Buckhorn Children and Family Services. Rev. Ryan offered the **prayer** following the offering

Announcements by Nell for lunch plans (box lunches provided by B B Cook, Lex) in the dining room.

The **PWP FALL GATHERING will be at Camp Burnamwood** – watch for the date!

Closing hymn, #366 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling.

The **Christ Candle was extinguished** by Nell.

Blessing for Lunch and Benediction was offered by Rev. Ryan

Postlude: Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing by Burkhardt played by Martha Anderson.

Lunch was delicious chicken salad on a croissant, pasta salad and fruit salad, with cookie, tea and coffee.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen S. May, PWP Recording Secretary

Treasurer's Report attached in Secretary's notebook.

Tricia Milner set up the **PW Resources table** offering many items for local PW groups. Items of interest at Resources and Handout tables included: Horizons magazine subscription forms, PW emblem note paper, "Get a Grip" bottle openers, Quarterly News for PW Leaders (available on line), articles about our new churchwide moderators, Jenny Jyungin – first Korean PW moderator, Jo Ann Burrell, and Joy Durrant.

Karen May set up the **"Horizons" quilt** made by Judy Persons and Debbie Paris, PW Office, which she won at the CWG silent auction.

New Resource available on line: PW – we welcome, we witness, we work (and play!). Putting faith in action is what we do! **4x4" folder sticker** for notebooks, gatherings, workshops, etc. \$.25 each. Order online:

www.presbyterianwomen.org/shop. PWR19427

PW Synod of Living Waters Triennial Gathering, June 13-15, 1st PC, Tupelo, MS, "Face to Face on the Mountain: with Eugenia Gamble, author of next year's Horizons Bible Study, "Love Carved in Stone: A Fresh Look at the Ten Commandments" as featured speaker. Reservations still possible!