

# Michigan Conference United Women in Faith 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Celebration

St. Luke's UMC  
206 Scheurmann Street, Essexville

## **BOLDLY Moving Forward**

### **IMPORTANT TIMES/DATES TO NOTE:**

FRIDAY REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 3:30 p.m.

The Program will begin promptly at 4:00 p.m.

**DEADLINE FOR ROOM BLOCK RATE AT COMFORT INN IS: SEPTEMBER 30!!**

After that, the group rate may no longer be available.

### **BOLDLY MOVING FORWARD.....**

This year's Annual Celebration and Meeting is not just any gathering in the history of the Michigan Conference of United Methodist Women, d/b/a United Women in Faith. We have extra special programs that you won't want to miss! Don't be the one who says in November, I WISH I HAD BEEN THERE! The hotel and meeting details are already out and are easily accessible to you at the website, <https://www.umwmichiganconference.org>. The **deadline** for registering is **October 18** and believe it or not, we may have capacity issues, so registering early is strongly encouraged.

WHY? You may ask. Here are the details:

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25, at 4:00 p.m.** is not your usual Leadership Development opportunity, but an opportunity to listen and learn from experts who will help us understand racism by "**EXAMINING OUR BIASES**". The Michigan Conference United Women in Faith adopted the Charter for Racial Justice in 1978. One of our current national justice campaigns is **ending mass incarceration and criminalization of communities of color**. For 150+ years, Methodist women have organized in the name of Jesus to take positions on social justice issues and changed legislation, systems, structures and practices considered unjust and oppressive. Join the Michigan Conference United Women in Faith on **October 25 at 4 p.m.** as our distinguished panel facilitated by Ms. Faustina Loper, a certified Lay Minister and social worker who has been a counselor, therapist and facilitator in Wayne and surrounding counties as well as a school social worker in the Detroit School System for decades. NOTE: Participants will need a smartphone, tablet or computer to access the Internet during the program, as well as paper and writing tools. There is no charge for attending unless you will be having dinner with the group.

### **AND THE LEARNING DOESN'T STOP THERE .....**

On Saturday, October 26, in the morning, Rev. Dr. John E. Harnish will present the keynote address, "**REVIVE, REFRESH, RENEW: Going forward as Renewed United Methodists.**" To those attending the Annual Celebration and Meeting of the Michigan Conference United Women in Faith, at St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Essexville. Dr. Harnish will talk with the conveners about renewed hope and vitality for the future of the church and our world.



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Register online by October 18th at:  
<https://my-site-102740-102533.square.site/>  
or scan the QR Code

