#### Church Women United in Madison, Wisconsin

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#### 2021 THEME--BECOMING ONE IN 2021

World Community Day-"New Places, New Faces at the Table"
November 5, 2021 beginning 9:30 am

Please join Zoom meeting: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82887167290">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82887167290</a>

Co-hosts:

Mt. Zion Baptist Church Carolyn Rumph – CWU Key Leader Grace Episcopal Church Lynn McDonald – CWU Key Leader

#### **WORLD COMMUNITY DAY**

World Community Day began in 1943 from discussions at a meeting of denominational presidents and executive secretaries asking that a day be set aside in the fall for the study of peace by church women. Although many denominations were printing their own studies on the new world order, it was determined at this meeting that their unity would be strengthened on one day of united study.

World Community Day continues to emphasize peace but has been broadened to include justice, a vital partner of peace. The once clear categories of "domestic" and "foreign" were consciously blurred so the global scope of the wide range of problems could be emphasized on World Community Day.

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## Church Women United



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A Racially, Culturally, Theologically Inclusive
Ecumenical Women's Movement
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# Our Guest Carlettra Stanford Chief of Elementary Schools Madison Metropolitan School District

Carlettra was born in Marks, Mississippi and moved to Madison at the age of three. She attended Madison Public Schools, graduating from Madison East High School, home of the Purgolders.

She went on to attend the prestigious Spelman College in Atlanta, Georgia before earning her Master's degree in education from the University of Wisconsin - Madison. Carlettra is currently pursuing her Doctoral degree in Educational Leadership.

In her role as Chief of Elementary Schools in MMSD, she supervises and collaborates with the 32 elementary principals, to ensure that schools are a place in which all Scholars will thrive. Prior to her role as the Chief of Elementary Schools, she had the honor of being the Principal of Mendota Elementary School, one of MMSD's first community schools, for ten years. With over twenty-eight years in MMSD, Carlettra has held myriad roles including Principal, School Wide Facilitator, Literacy Coach and Teacher.

An active community member she has served on numerous committees, boards and was the director of the African American Ethnic Academy. Her contributions to the community, the field of education and promotion of educational equity have been acknowledged through many awards and recognitions including the Luminaira Award for Leadership for Equity and Excellence, Lois Gadd Nemec Outstanding Alumnae Award, Milt McPike Education Award, nominee for MMSD Principal of the Year and most recently Charles Hamilton Houston Institute Difference Maker Award for Outstanding Service in Education.

Through her journey in the field of education, Carlettra has been steadfast in her commitment to eliminate, disrupt and dismantle inequitable systems. Her career and volunteer efforts have focused on creating systems and structures in which all Scholars will not only succeed, but will thrive.

Carlettra has been a member of S. S. Morris Church for 32 years.

#### Offering Prayer – Minister Brenda Brown

Let us pray...

Almighty God, we come before You humbled and thankful for the numerous blessings You have manifested In our lives, especially during the global COVID-19 pandemic. We are joyous and grateful for the opportunity to sow into the lives of so many women, children and families we may never have to opportunity to meet. We pray, O Lord, that as we reach out to embrace new places and new faces with these monetary resources, the impact will be a tangible demonstration of our desire to be united as you and our Savior are one. Help us to realize there should always be room at the table, just as there is at the foot of the cross.

In Jesus name we pray, Amen.

#### Offering Song - "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

Levites of Zion Praise Team

Offering Appeal – Lynn McDonald – Grace Episcopal Church

Make checks payable to: "Church Women United"

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6329 Scandia Lane McFarland, WI 53588

Today's World Community Day offering will be sent to the National Church Women United office to support the service and work of the national movement.

#### **Sending Forth** - Deacon Carol Smith

Precious Lord, our Father, as we conclude this World Community Day celebration, help us to graciously and enthusiastically reach across the table and touch the hands and hearts of those new places from new places. May the activities and fellowship we experienced serve as the catalyst to propel us to extend beyond ourselves to propagate change in the arenas of human rights, peace, justice, reconciliation, and Christian unity. In Jesus name we pray, *Amen.* 



## Program

Prelude – "Simple Gifts", arranged by Mark Hayes

Mark Brampton-Smith

Organist/Pianist, Grace Episcopal Church

Welcome - Reverend Marcus Allen, Mt. Zion Baptist Church

Opening Prayer - Minister Brenda Brown, Mt. Zion Baptist Church

Let us pray...

We thank you Father for this day that You have allowed us to see. We praise You for the opportunity to come to the table in a new place with new faces. We are humbled that you have equipped us for such a time as this with willing hearts to receive You, Your grace and Your mercy as we embrace one another, partake of Your guidance, and sup together at this table. We love You and thank You for disciplining us so that we may be where you are one day.

In Jesus name we pray, Amen.

Opening Song - "Recover It All"

Levites of Zion Praise Team - Mt. Zion Baptist Church

Scripture Reading – Deacon Carol Smith, Grace Episcopal Church John 10:30; John 17:20-23 & 26 (NLT)

"The Father and I are one." I am praying not only for these disciples but also for all who will ever believe in Me through their message. I pray that they will be one, just as You and I are one – as You are in Me, Father, and I am in You. And may they be in Us so that the world will believe You sent Me.

May they experience such perfect unity that the world will know that You sent Me and that You love them as much as You love Me.

**Scripture Reading – (continued)** 

Father, I want these whom You have given Me to be with Me where I am. Then they can see all the glory you gave Me because you loved Me even before the world began!

O righteous Father, the world doesn't know You, but I do; and these disciples know You sent Me. I have revealed You to them, and I will continue to do so. Then Your love for Me will be in them, and I will be in them."

Speaker Introduction – Carolyn Rumph, Mt. Zion Baptist Church

Keynote Address – Carlettra Stanford, Chief of Elementary Schools, MMSD

**Community Leader Award** – presented by Gloria Carter CWU-Madison President

**Responsive Reading –** introduced by Gloria Carter

**Pam Bracey:** When we lift our prayers toward heaven as believers, may we be ever mindful of the privilege and authority we possess through Jesus Christ to humbly petition our Sovereign Lord to intervene in the circumstances of our lives and serve as intercessors on behalf of countless and sometimes voiceless others.

ALL (please mute): We are united among the many faces from many places at the table!

**Iva Hillegas Schatz:** Everyone deserves the right to be valued, loved, and encouraged. To esteem others as we do ourselves creates a perspective of inclusiveness and compassion, motivating us to ensure no one is ever neglected, abused, or abandoned.

ALL: We are united among the many faces from many places at the table!



#### Responsive Reading – (continued)

**Carolyn Rumph:** Establishing genuine peace has the capacity to create environments where productivity soars, selfishness diminishes, creativity abounds, and God is truly glorified. The sincere well-being of everyone becomes priority and enables us to tangibly demonstrate our ability to reflect the heart of Jesus Christ towards everyone we encounter.

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**Jane Henning:** One of the foundational pillars of any society is the right of justice.

The expanse of our diversity should never circumvent the right to be heard, equitably treated with dignity, and afforded equal opportunities to live righteously, and productively serve humanity.

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**Pam Bracey:** For far too long, many have focused their attention towards our differences. May we rise up and recognize our strength which we can build upon to better reflect Jesus Christ, who sacrificed His very life and rose from the dead to ensure, for eternity, our position as members of one body, the church, in Him.

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ALL: Jesus Christ prayed for all who would follow Him.

Help us, Lord, to remember Jesus' desire was that we would all become one as He and Heavenly Father are one. By this, the world will know He was sent to earth by God, the power of unity, and the unfathomable love He has toward us. Knowing that Jesus prayed for us gives us confidence as we serve for His Kingdom.

Closing Song – "
Led by Kat

Closing Song – "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

Led by Katie Anderson, with Mark Brampton-Smith on piano.

\*\*All sing along !!! (on mute)

## Thank you for joining us today!!

## Acknowledgements

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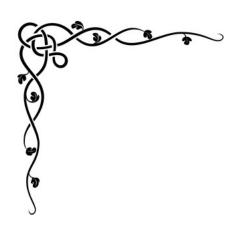
- -- Carlettra Stanford
- -- Responsive readers:

Pam Bracey & Carolyn Rumph – Mt. Zion Baptist Church Jane Henning & Iva Hillegas Schatz – Grace Episcopal Church

- -- All of our wonderful musicians!
- -- Grace Episcopal Church Women for funding the musicians.

## CWU Madison Community Leadership Awards 2017-2021

- 2017 Vanessa McDowell, CEO YWCA Madison
- **2018 Dr. Michelle Robinson**, newly appointed by Governor Evers as DHS Director of the Office of Health Equity
- **2019- Shelia Stubbs**, elected Representative from Madison 2018 and re-elected 2020
- **2020 Dr. Christy Clark Pujara**, Associate Professor of African American Studies, UW Madison
- 2021 Carlettra Stanford, Chief of Elementary Schools, Madison Municipal School District also, a special Honor for her mother, Barbara Stanford Taylor, Former Wisconsin Superintendent of Schools



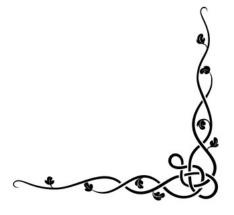
## CWU History

Since 1941, CWU (originally called United Council of Church Women UCCW) have held a vision of Christian unity and prayerful action. In December 1941, women of faith from three interdenominational women's groups representing 70 denominations convened in Atlantic City, New Jersey while bombs were being dropped; the world was at war.

The UCCW's first action was to circulate a petition signed by 84,000 church women urging the United States at the signing of the United Nations Charter to join and take full responsibility in a world organization.



The action received wide publicity in the media, and Eleanor later involved the UCCW in a conference at the White House on "how women may share in post-war policy making". Such action remains typical for CWU today. Women of the movement affirm that prayer and action are inseparable and that both have immeasurable influence in the world.



#### Announcing the 2020-2022 Madison Area Religious and Human Resources Directory

The New Directory is fresh off the press and available to order: The Directory has a new look. It is now 8 ½ by 11 size sheets, so the print is a little larger, and for future editions we will be able to send inserts for the updated copy. There are about 300 faith communities listed and 300 human resource agencies, as well as special listings for Emergency Community Resources for Food, Shelter and Clothing; an Emergency/Hotline/Crisis-Stress/Information Chart; and a page on End of Life Services. Any Questions, phone Ruth Hein- Church Women United and Madison Ecumenical Center Outreach at 608-347-4724.

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Please Note: These contributions will be used for the general operating expenses of CWU of Madison, as well as for the Celebration materials, choir music, annual donations to selected community social services, and annual contribution to Church Women United of Wisconsin. GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES include, in part, the office rent, and the cost of producing and mailing the CWU newsletter, and miscellaneous supplies needed throughout the year.

Please send in contributions by November 30 of each year. Our financial year ends on December 31 of each year.

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