

Women's Fellowship

2017-2018



*She opens her arms to the poor,
She extends her hands to the needy.*

Proverbs 31: 20

Church of the Palms

Women's Fellowship

Women's Fellowship at Church of the Palms was started by Mrs. F.H. (Etta) Ellenberger, who served as president for four years. The purpose of Women's Fellowship shall be to enlist Women in a fellowship of worship, education, service and giving to the programs of the Church of the Palms as it serves the cause of Christ in the Community and the world.

*May our acts of kindness, wisdom,
thoughtfulness and fellowship best
describe the women of Church of the Palms.*

Over the years Women's Fellowship has grown to include many varied activities. Support is given to many organizations.

- † The Least Coin Fund
- † Church of the Palms General Fund
- † Achievement Centers for Children and Families
- † Delray Community Food Pantry
- † ALA Coretta Scott King Book Awards
- † Blanket Month

All Women are invited to participate in Church of the Palms Women's Fellowship activities. Rummage sales are scheduled in October and March. Luncheon meetings are held during the season, featuring guest speakers and special entertainment. Come join in the fun and fellowship!

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The purpose of this organization shall be to enlist women in a Fellowship of worship, education, service, and giving, to the programs of the Church of the Palms, Congregational United Church of Christ of Delray Beach, Florida, as it serves the cause of Christ in the community and the world.

Officers

President Diane Longwell

Vice President

Secretary Karin Cogswell

Treasurer Betty Aucello

Committee Chairpersons

Rummage Sales Diane Longwell

The Women's Fellowship Executive Board looks forward to seeing you at their planned activities. They have planned a season of varied programs which include time for fellowship and sharing. If you have an interest in running for an office for the 2017 to 2018 year, please contact Edie Kutz.

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Tuesday, September 26th

Planning Meeting 10:30 am Fellowship Hall

All women are invited to attend

Tuesday, October 3rd

Planning Meeting 10:30 am Friendship Center

All women are invited to attend

Saturday, October 21st

Fall Rummage Sale

8:30 am – 12:00 noon in the Friendship Center

Early Bird Shopping

Friday, October 20th

12:00 noon – 3:00 pm; \$3 admission

Rummage Sale setup begins Tuesday, October 17th

Success requires many volunteers!

Contact Diane Longwell if you can help

Phone: 518.929.1149

Tuesday, November 7th

Planning Meeting 10:30 am Fellowship Hall

All women are invited to attend

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Monday, December 4th, 12 noon

Christmas Luncheon

Benvenuto Restaurant, \$30/person

1730 N Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach, FL 33435

Entertainment by Ed Slater

Hostesses: Margo Beck, Diane Longwell, and Charlotte Long

Signup in the Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, January 9th 2017

Planning Meeting

10:30 am

Fellowship Hall

All women are invited to attend

Monday, January 22nd

Women's Fellowship Luncheon

12:00 noon in the Friendship Center

Topic: To Be Announced

Hosted by Diane Longwell

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Tuesday, January 30th

Comfort Doll Workshop

1:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall

All are welcome

(no sewing skills needed)



Saturday, February 3rd

Spring Rummage Sale

8:30 am – 12:00 noon in the Friendship Center

Early Bird Shopping

Friday, February 2nd

12:00 noon – 3:00 pm; \$3 admission

Rummage Sale setup begins Tuesday, January 30th

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Monday, February 6th

Planning Meeting

10:30 am

Fellowship Hall

All women are invited to attend

Monday, February 12th

Valentine Tea

2:00 pm in the Friendship Center



Program to be announced

Invite family, friends and neighbors

Donations for Blanket Month will be collected!

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Proposed Budget 2017 - 2018

\$	25	Florida UCC Women
	25	ALA Coretta Scott King Book Awards
	1,800	Sunday Coffee Hour
	1,200	Women's Fellowship Expenses
		Programs
		Refreshments
	<u>1,000</u>	Miscellaneous
	\$4,050	Total

Budgeted funds derived from:

- Volunteer Donations
- Rummage Sales – October and March
- Miscellaneous Projects

(Please note that a lunch will be provided at each regular fellowship luncheon with a request for a donation)

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Special Ministries

Comfort Dolls

The Comfort Doll Ministry was created in 2004. The doll pattern was fashioned using the typical “gingerbread man” shape, made from cotton fabrics of all skin colors, stuffed, given hair and simple clothes.

Over 400 dolls have been given to children worldwide. Dolls are distributed locally to the Delray Beach Police Department and the Achievement Center for Children and Families of Delray Beach. They have also been sent to Brazil, Haiti and Kenya.

We would like to see this ministry spread. These dolls are cuddly, safe and soft. They share our love with those who receive them.



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Programs

Least Coin - At Women's Fellowship Monday meetings, there is a dish on the table labeled LEAST COIN. Attendees are asked to put SMALL CHANGE in this dish, in keeping with the spiritual meaning of the Least Coin – funds which are used worldwide for education, health care, disaster aid, and other purposes.

The Least Coin Prayer

*The least coin of my country, Lord
I bring it with a prayer
May I be reconciled to one
Who hurt me, unaware*

*I need not riches of the world
To bring to Thee this mite
The Fellowship of the Least Coin
Is precious in Thy sight.*

*Each month I bring it with a prayer
Oh, grant dear Lord, that we
The Women of all countries may
Be reconciled through Thee.*

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Blanket Month - Remember, February is designated as Blanket Month. Each person is asked, if able, to contribute \$5.00 to the Blanket Fund. The money is then used for the purchase of blankets for those in need.



The Coretta Scott King Book Awards

A vital program of the American Library Association, the Coretta Scott King Awards Committee, selects the best books in text and illustration, which tell the universality of the contributions of African Americans to life in the United States. When winners are recognized, children in the area in which the ALA convention meets, are invited to breakfast to witness the ceremony. Each child receives one or two of the winning books.

The Women's Fellowship contributions are used to purchase breakfast tickets for children to attend. Henrietta M. Smith has been honored with a special award from the American Library Association. She has been a member of this committee for several years – and continues to serve.

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