A CONTINUING JOURNEY
WITH
UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

HISTORY AND PURPOSE
OF
ANVIL BLOCK UNITED METHODIST WOMEN
1934 - 1981

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INTRODUCTION

This booklet has been printed to acquaint you with United Methodist Women, their History and Purpose. Some information is given on a National level, but our main emphasis is on the local unit of United Methodist Women at Anvil Block United Methodist Church.

The Policies and Practices of Anvil Block United Methodist Women published in this booklet are those duly approved by the Unit and in effect November 30, 1981. Please mark changes and dates of changes as they may occur in the future. This will keep your information up to date and make this booklet a useful tool for you as a member of the Unit. Blank pages are provided in the back of this booklet for any notations you wish to make.

RECORDED MINUTES were an invaluable help in compiling this information. We are grateful to all past secretaries of the organizations for faithfully recording minutes of individual meetings.


We hope this booklet will be of help to you as we make our CONTINUING JOURNEY together as WITNESSES FOR GOD through our work as UNITED METHODIST WOMEN.

If you find any mistakes in the booklet information, please bring it to the attention of the President of the Unit.
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THE EMBLEM

The official emblem for the United Methodist Church combines the cross and a flame symbolizing the Holy Spirit. The emblem for United Methodist Women likewise includes the cross and flame.

The cross and flame are ancient symbols of the church dating back to the days of Christ and Pentecost. Each evokes images of sacrifice, witness and service. They remind us of both the opportunities and obligations of discipleship. Paul's ancient words to Timothy have fresh and contemporary meaning: "...I now remind you to stir into flame the gift of God which is within you." (II Timothy 1:6—NEB)

As part of the emblem for United Methodist Women these symbols remind us of our PURPOSE, that of helping women to grow in their understanding of and willingness to participate in the mission of the church. These also remind us of our heritage, of women who pioneered in the service for the church at home and abroad and in organizing women for mission service and support in many areas of need.

The shape of the emblem is likewise symbolic. It is fluid and free-flowing, suggesting change and mobility. As organized groups of women, this has been our heritage. Often at the forefront of movements for change, at times supporting the projects initiated by others, but always aware of the times and striving to move with them rather than be overwhelmed by them.

The cross, the flame, and the individual with her abilities and opportunities—all elements of a 20th century movement for United Methodist Women.
THE PURPOSE

The organized unit of United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.
HOW UNITED METHODIST WOMEN BEGAN
(on the National level)

The United Methodist Women of the United Methodist Church and its many predecessor organizations were each born in times of crises and opportunity. It was in the 19th century, the missionary century and the women's century, that the foremothers of our denomination first organized for missionary service. The nation was recovering from a terrible civil war; children were working ten hours a day in factories and longer in the fields; women had no political or economic rights; and millions around the world lived in poverty, ignorance and without medical care.

On a March day of blustery winds and driving rain in 1869, eight women came together at the old Tremont Street Church in Boston to organize the first WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY of the Methodist Episcopal Church. This group eventually sent to India Isabella Thoburn, who established at Lucknow the first school for girls in that country, and Dr. Clara Swain, who set up a woman's hospital at Bareilly.

From this meager beginning and with many changes in name and structure, the group changed, evolved the group known today as United Methodist Women with a membership of over one and one-half million.

Working hand in hand with the Missionary Societies, LADIES' AID SOCIETIES were organized in most local churches. Their function was to aid the local church. LADIES' AIDERS wished for a program and outreach in addition to their local church. This led to a unified local organization in 1939-40 known as the WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE.
OUR CONTINUING HERITAGE

Our present PURPOSE and program as UNITED METHODIST WOMEN was not developed in a vacuum. It evolved out of a history of more than a century of women whose primary concern was mission, who prayed and took risks in living out these prayers, who dealt with issues of their day out of their Christian concern and commitment.

It is in this spirit that our present—and our faith-filled steps into the future—are part of our continuing heritage.

THE ONGOING JOURNEY

1869...........

1981..........
CONSTITUTION OF UNITED METHODIST WOMEN
IN THE LOCAL CHURCH:

1. United Methodist Women.—In every local church, there shall be an organized unit of UNITED METHODIST WOMEN.

Article 1. Name.—The name of this organization shall be United Methodist Women.

Article 2. Relationships.—The unit of United Methodist Women in the local church is directly related to the district and conference organizations of United Methodist Women and to the Women's Division of the Board of Global Ministries of The United Methodist Church.

Article 3. Purpose.—The organized unit of United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

Article 4. Membership.—Membership shall be open to any woman who indicates her desire to belong and to participate in the global mission of the church through United Methodist Women. The pastor(s) shall be an ex officio member.

Article 5. Officers and Committees.—The local unit shall elect a president, a vice-president, a secretary, a treasurer, and a Committee on Nominations. Additional officers and committees shall be elected or appointed as needed, in accordance with the plans of the Women's Division as set forth in the bylaws for the local unit of United Methodist Women.

*DISCIPLINE 256.4
Article 6. Funds.--a) The organized unit of United Methodist Women shall secure funds for the fulfillment of its purpose.
   b) All funds from whatever source secured by the unit of United Methodist Women, belong to the organization and shall be disbursed only in accordance with its constitution and by its order.
   c) The total budget secured and administered by the organized unit in the local church shall include (1) pledges and other money for the programs and responsibilities of the Women's Division to be directed through regular channels of finance of United Methodist Women; and (2) funds to be used in mission locally, which shall include amounts for administration and membership development.
   d) The organized unit in the local church shall make an annual pledge to the total budget of the district or conference organization of United Methodist Women.
   3) All undesignated funds channeled to the Women's Division shall be appropriated by the division.

Article 7. Meetings.--The organized unit in the local church shall hold such meetings for implementing the Purpose and transacting its business as the unit itself shall decide.

Article 8. Relationships in the Local Church.--The organized unit of United Methodist Women shall encourage all women to participate in the total life and work of the church and shall support them in assuming positions of responsibility and leadership.

Article 9. Amendments.--Proposed amendments to this constitution may be sent to the recording secretary of the Women's Division of the Board of Global Ministries before the last annual meeting of the division in the quadrennium.
HOW ANVIL BLOCK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH BEGAN

In the Spring of 1898 preachers Blalock and Hightower started a Revival in the school house which stood where the Anvil Block Community House now stands. Mr. Sammy Masters, father of Henry, was a Methodist preacher and helped start the Revival. Anvil Block Church was organized in May, 1898.

Mr. Henry Masters gave the land for the church and in July 1898 the men of the community started building the church. Some cut logs, some hauled them to the sawmill and back to the church where the carpenters were working on the building. The lumber was sawed free of charge.

The church building was finished and dedicated on the fourth Sunday in October, 1898. Rev. W. E. Costley was preaching at Mt. Zion at the time and Anvil Block was put on the Mt. ZION CIRCUIT.

HOW THE CHURCH GOT ITS NAME

Mr. Kirkas had a blacksmith shop across the road in front of the school house and there was another blacksmith shop nearby, run by Billy Clark. There was a Post Office on the hill where the Ray Clark home is presently located run by Mr. Henry Masters. This Post Office was named Anvil Block because of the blacksmith shops and the church got its name from that.

CIRCUITS ON WHICH ANVIL BLOCK HAS BEEN

1898—Mt. Zion Circuit (Mt. Zion & Anvil Block)
1911—Cedar Grove Circuit (Cedar Grove, Clifton & Kelley's Chapel)
1932—Anvil Block Circuit (with Kelley's Chapel)
We were on the Riverdale Circuit at one time.
1941—Ellenwood Circuit (with Bethel & Mt. Zion)
When Bethel went station we remained on the Ellenwood Circuit with Ellenwood and Mt. Zion.

In June 1974 at the beginning of the 1974 conference year, a new parsonage had been built by Anvil Block United Methodist Church and we became a FULL-TIME CHURCH.

PASTORS WHO HAVE SERVED ANVIL BLOCK

We are grateful to the pastors who have served the church and have worked with the United Methodist Women in their work. Many of the past pastors attended monthly meetings of the group.


After unification, the following pastors served:

Rev. Glyn Boye
Rev. Webb Garrison (1939-40)
Rev. T. H. Norton (1940-41)
Rev. A. E. Shelton (1941-42)
Rev. Hoyt Henderson (1942-44)
Rev. W. A. Woodruff (1944-46)
Rev. Thomas Fowler (1946-49)
Rev. Frank E. Jenkins, Jr. (1949-52)
Rev. Charles W. Tanner (1952-56)
Rev. Cliff T. Weathers (1956-58)
Rev. Truman D. Brooks (1958-60)
Rev. Richard Wilson (1960-61)
Rev. Tomie Aust (1961-63)
Rev. Joe P. Peabody (1967-69)
Rev. Roscoe V. Simpson (1970-... )
ASSOCIATE PASTORS WHO HAVE SERVED ANVIL BLOCK

Rev. John Bass
Rev. Truman Brooks
Rev. Kerry Robb
Rev. David Knight
Rev. Dave Looney
Rev. Doug Butler
Rev. Jimmy Harpole
Rev. Travis Fulton
Rev. Dusty Rhodes
Rev. Fred Bowers
Rev. Oscar Spence
Rev. Marvin Harper
Rev. Harold Murphree

HOW ANVIL BLOCK UNITED METHODIST WOMEN BEGAN
(on the local level)

Prior to the organization of ANVIL BLOCK METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH LADIES’ AUXILIARY (referred to as THE LADIES’ AUXILIARY), there was a group of ladies known as THE LADIES’ AID SOCIETY. This group of ladies helped with church activities in the local church.

There are no minutes on record from this group (They were evidently destroyed.), but one of the members of Anvil Block United Methodist Women remembers being a charter member of the group. The following information is given through her remembrance of their activities. We thank Mrs. H.L. (Imez Sockwell) Clark for her help in gathering this information. She has been a member of the Ladies' Aid Society through The United Methodist Women with no break in service as of this date (November 30, 1981).
ANVIL BLOCK LADIES' AID SOCIETY

The Anvil Block Ladies' Aid Society had a structure very similar to that of the present United Methodist Women.

Since Ellenwood had not at this time built a church many ladies from that community belonged to Anvil Block's group. Meetings were held at the church and in homes with morning business, devotion and lunch; then the program in the afternoon.

At one District meeting held at Anvil Block it is remembered that everyone brought desserts for lunch. No one knew ahead of time what the others would bring. This was a SWEET LUNCH.

Church suppers were held for money making projects. Food was cooked at homes of the members and brought to the church. There was no kitchen at this time and the food was served inside the back of the church.

One money making project which created a lot of fun was a play, "THE LADIES' AIDERS." This was first presented at Ellenwood School. Then the ladies presented it at South West DeKalb School. This time the only audience to show up was made up of the husbands of the Ladies' Aid members.

This group was always willing to help the church in any of its activities and had an enjoyable time as they met together.
ANVIL BLOCK LADIES' AUXILIARY ORGANIZED
September 8, 1934

On Saturday afternoon, September 8, 1934, Mrs. Elmo Moore, President of the Georgia Branch of Women's Missionary work, together with four other officers and ten ladies met at Anvil Block Methodist Protestant Church to organize the local Auxiliary. The name of the organization was ANVIL BLOCK METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH LADIES' AUXILIARY (referred to as THE LADIES' AUXILIARY).

There were ten charter members of the LADIES' AUXILIARY. The following were taken from a roll book for September 8, 1934.

1. Mrs. J. B. (Hazel) Bond
2. Miss Mary Byers
3. Mrs. C. C. (Emma) Clark
4. Mrs. O. R. (Mary) Clark
5. Mrs. S. D. (Ruby) Mitchell
6. Mrs. Ike (Mamie) Mitchell
7. Miss Inez Mitchell
8. Miss Grace Mitchell
9. Miss Inez Sockwell
10. Mrs. Frank (Zip) White

There was also a Miss Ruth Revis marked present on this day but this was the only meeting she attended so evidently did not join the group.

OFFICERS elected September 8, 1934:

President: Mrs. J. B. (Hazel) Bond
Vice-President: Mrs. S. D. (Ruby) Mitchell
Recording Secretary: Mrs. Frank (Zip) White
Corresponding Secy: Mrs. E. M. (Merle) Bond
Sect. for Thank Offering: Miss Rubye Pruitt
Treasurer: Mrs. O. R. (Mary) Clark
Devotion Leader: Mrs. C. C. (Emma) Clark

Others elected to serve in special capacities:
Pastor Aide: Miss Grace Mitchell
Delegate of Ga. Branch Rally: Mrs. Frank White
The first Georgia Branch Auxiliary meeting was held at Centenary Church Saturday, October 13, 1934.

MEETING DATES were set for Saturday before the fourth Sunday of each month at 2:30 p.m. at Anvil Block Methodist Protestant Church. Sometime between March 23, 1935 and May 13, 1939 (Minutes were destroyed covering this period.) the MEETING DATES WERE CHANGED to Saturday after the first Sunday of each month and the group began to meet in homes of members.

SOME INTERESTING INFORMATION

At the September 22, 1934 meeting there were ten members present. $1 was collected for dues. At the October 27, 1934 meeting there were twenty members present and $2.30 was collected for dues. June 10, 1939 $9.90 was sent to the CONTINGENT FUND. This was one-fifth of April, May and June dues.

THE FIRST MONEY RAISING ACTIVITY for the benefit of the Ladies' Auxiliary was a BOX SUPPER held at the church November 10, 1934. Weiners, ice cream and lemonade were sold also. Miss Inez Mitchell was appointed chairman in charge of refreshments. Mrs. C.C. Clark, Mrs. S.D. Mitchell and Mrs. Frank White made an every member canvas for donations. Mustard, catsup, sugar, cakes and $1.15 in cash was donated. The Box Supper was a success, showing a profit of $48.84 for the Auxiliary treasury.

So we see, the ladies started out raising money by their own activities as the need arose. Later in the booklet you will read of other fund raising activities during the years.
THE FIRST LOCAL MISSION WORK by the Ladies' Auxiliary was approved at the December 22, 1934 meeting. $6 was given to one needy family in the community to use as they saw fit, $6 was spent for food for another needy family. This was delivered on December 24.

MINUTES WERE DESTROYED COVERING PERIOD FROM March 23, 1935 to May 13, 1939.

FIRST RECORDED BUILDING PROJECT—August 10, 1940
Mrs. S. D. Mitchell, Mrs. G.W. Rowden and Miss Lillian Clark were appointed as a committee to have an outside TOILET BUILT AT ANVIL BLOCK CHURCH. The toilet (a grand two-occupancy facility) was built for $21.30 for material and paint. It stood for years in the woods at the back of the church and was a blessing to many.

THE FINAL DISTRICT MEETING OF THE GEORGIA BRANCH OF LADIES' AUXILIARIES of the Methodist Protestant Church was held at Mt. Zion Church August 7, 1940.

THE LAST MEETING OF LADIES' AUXILIARY OF ANVIL BLOCK METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH was held August 10, 1940. Because of Unification, the group would be working under a new name and new structure.

UNIFICATION came with the "Uniting Conference" of 1939 at Kansas City, which brought together the Methodist Episcopal Church & The Methodist Protestant Church as THE METHODIST CHURCH. After unification, the name of the Ladies' organization was known as THE WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE (W. S. C. S.) of Anvil Block Methodist Church.
WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE (W.S.C.S.)
OF ANVIL BLOCK METHODIST CHURCH

THE CHARTER MEMBER MEETING OF WOMAN'S SOCIETY
OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE of Anvil Block Methodist
Church was held at the church August 31, 1940
at 3:00 p.m. Rev. Webb Garrison, the Pastor
called the meeting to order.

THE TWENTY-ONE CHARTER MEMBERS OF WOMAN'S
SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE at Anvil Block:

1. Mrs. J.S. (Vic) Bond
2. Mrs. J. A. (Nell) Clark
3. Mrs. O. R. (Mary) Clark
4. Mrs. W. I. (Mamie) Mitchell
5. Mrs. J.B. (Hazel) Bond
6. Mrs. S.D. (Ruby) Mitchell
7. Mrs. A.S. (Ruth) Allen
8. Mrs. Frank (Zip) White
9. Miss Grace Mitchell
10. Mrs. Webb Garrison
11. Mrs. W. E. (Ione) Needham
12. Mrs. C.C. (Emma) Clark
13. Miss Lillian Clark
14. Mrs. H.L. (Inez) Clark
15. Mrs. W. T. (Ophelia) Stanfield
16. Mrs. E.C. (Inez) Hamrick
17. Mrs. H. V. (Chiffie) Williamson
18. Mrs. G.R. Duke
19. Mrs. E.I. (Willie) Clark
20. Mrs. C. W. (Grace) Rowden
21. Mrs. E. M. (Merle) Bond
OFFICERS ELECTED AT THE CHARTER MEETING
August 31, 1940

President               Mrs. J. B. Bond
Vice-President          Mrs. J. A. Clark
Recording Secretary     Mrs. H. V. Williamson
Corresponding Secretary-Mrs. J. B. Bond
Secretary of Missionary Mrs. G. W. Rowden
Education & Service     Mrs. A. L. Sayer
Secretary of Christian Social Relations &
Local Church activities-Mrs. H. L. Clark
Secretary of Student Work & young people
Women & Girls work       Mrs. A. L. Sayer
Secretary of Literature & Publication Mrs. Frank White
Secretary of Supplies    Mrs. B. C. Hamrick

MEETING DATES—From August 31, 1940 until August 6, 1943 meetings were held on Saturday after the first Sunday of each month and were held in the homes of members with a few meetings at the church. After August 6, 1943 meetings were held on Wednesday after the first Sunday of the month still in members homes and at church.

THE FIRST MEETING IN THE NEWLY BUILT COMMUNITY HOUSE was held November 8, 1950 and we have continued to meet there monthly except for a few special days when we met in homes.

WE CONTINUE TO MEET ON WEDNESDAY AFTER THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH at 10:30 a.m. for a business meeting, devotion, program and a fellowship lunch.

THE NAME WAS CHANGED May 1968 from WOMAN'S TO WOMEN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE. The year now began in September. The officers who had been serving in May 10 1968 continued in office until September 1968.
In January 1973 THE NAME WAS CHANGED TO UNITED METHODIST WOMEN OF ANVIL BLOCK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH. This was a result of a merger between the Methodist Church and the Evangelical United Brethren Church.

The General Conference of The Methodist Church and the Evangelical United Brethren Church voted in November, 1966 to form The United Methodist Church. The action was ratified by the Annual Conference of both denominations in 1967 and the merger took place April 1969 in Dallas, Texas. This changed the name of Anvil Block Methodist Church to Anvil Block United Methodist Church.

The years 1971 and 1972 were two more history-making years in the life of the women’s mission movement in the United Methodist Church. In October 1971, the Women’s Division voted that there should be “one new inclusive organization for women, with a new name” to be a successor to the Women’s Society of Christian Service and Wesleyan Service Guild.

In January 1972, a Planning Committee submitted plans for a local constitution to the Women’s Division. This included a new statement of PURPOSE and suggestions for a new name: United Methodist Women. General Conference approved this plan in April 1972. In May 1972, the overall design for a local unit was completed by the Planning Committee and approved by the Women’s Division. By December 1972, after study, transition and celebration, UNITED METHODIST WOMEN became a reality in each local unit as well as in district, conference and jurisdictional organizations.
ASSORTED INFORMATION BY MONTH

Aug. 30, 1940—First meeting, which was the organizational meeting of ANVIL BLOCK WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE was held at the church. Subsequent meetings were held in members' homes with a few meetings at the church until the Community House was completed in 1949. The first meeting in the new Community House was held Nov. 8, 1950.

May 1942—Miscellaneous (bridal) shower for Mrs. Dewey Mitchell.

Aug. 1944—Bought $100 War Bond. This was cashed Oct. 1948 to help buy venetian blinds for the church. Value $125.10.

May 1948—Voted to have Bible School the week before the 4th Sunday in June. W. S.C. S. members to work in it.

July 1948—By-laws changed making W.S. C. S. year run from June to June.

July 1950—Pantry shower for Mrs. Neal Scarbrough.

Nov. 1950—First meeting in new Community House.

Dec. 1953—Quilted quilt for Rev. and Mrs. Charles Tanner and gave it for Christmas with $1 donations pinned to the quilt.

Mar. 1954—An Entertainment Committee was chosen to get volunteers to have pastors families for lunch on preaching days.
May 1955 – Voted to have all meetings at the Community House for benefit of those with children.

Sept. 1958 – Voted to combine morning and afternoon sessions, meeting at 10:30 a.m. with lunch after the program. Before this, business and devotion was held in the morning followed by lunch and program portion after lunch.

Sept. 1960 – TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY of Woman’s Society of Christian Service observed in the program. (organized Aug. 30, 1940). Write up was sent to The Methodist Woman and The Wesleyan Christian Advocate.


Sept. 1967 – CHRISTMAS BASKET POLICY CHANGED. We will now take fruit on Thanksgiving.

May 1968 – NAME CHANGED TO WOMEN’S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE. The year runs from September to September.


Feb. 1973 – OUR FIRST TRIP TO U. M. CHILDRENS HOME AUXILIARY. Several ladies joined the group and go on the 4th Monday each month except June, July, August, and December when no meetings are held.

May 1973 – NAME CHANGED TO UNITED METHODIST WOMEN. Year runs from January to January.
June 1973—TASK COMMITTEE appointed by president to handle fund raising projects.

June 1973—Had Night Worship Service

Sept. 1975—Had Night Worship Service=PRAYER

Dec. 1975—Collected toys for Fanning County.

Mar. 1976—Night Worship Service=GRACE


Sept. 1976—Night Worship—Mrs. Tyler, District President


Apr. 1977—Night Worship—THE GIFT OF LIGHT & LIFE

Aug. 1977—Back in ATLANTA=DECATUR=OXFORD District.

Nov. 1977—Night Worship—Rev. Marcus Booker

Nov. 1977—Gave 14 fruit baskets to shut-ins

Aug. 1978—Night Worship—YE SHALL BE MY WITNESSES

Oct. 1978—Clothing to Stanley Day Care Center

Apr. 1979—Night Worship—CALL TO PRAYER & SELF—DENIAL

Nov. 1979—Night Worship—MARY MAGDALENE

Nov. 1979—Fruit to Westbury Nursing Home patients in McDonough and to sick and shut-ins in church and community.
Dec. 1979—Clothing, 4 wooden chairs and a table to a needy family

Mar. 1980—Clothing to Clayton County Family Service


Apr. 1980—Party with individual gifts for Miss Lillian Clark's 86th Birthday (Apr. 10)

May 1980—Night Worship—WHY DO CHRISTIANS SUFFER?

May 1980—Day of Prayer and Self-Denial—$18.00

May 1980—Furnished part of food for A-D-O District Pastors' lunch at Stockbridge.

June 1980—General cleaning of Community House.

Oct. 1980—Cookies for Bishop McDavid reception

Nov. 1980—Fruit to Lake City Nursing Home patients & sick & shut-ins in church & community

Jan. 1981—Linen shower for Community House

Apr. 1981—Day of Prayer and Self-Denial—$20.50

Apr. 1981—Cake & ice cream for Miss Lillian Clark’s 87th Birthday on April 10th

May 1981—Hosted A-D-O District pastors’ meeting with morning refreshments & noon meal with 47 pastors attending.

May 1981—Two brass offering plates bought for church for $74.16

Nov. 1981—Fruit to Westbury Nursing Home patients at McDonough & to sick & shut-ins in church & community
MONEY MAKING PROJECTS AND GIFTS GIVEN
(as taken from old Minute Books)

Nov. 1934 - BOX SUPPER $48.84

Dec. 1934 - $6 cash to one needy family $6 in food to another 12.00

Minutes destroyed Mar. 23, 1935 to May 13, 1939

June 1940 - Sent girl to Clifton Camp 3.50

July 1940 - Material for outside toilet 21.30

Aug. 1940 - WEINER SUPPER 20.16

Aug. 1940 - Purchased
2 Rugs 6 x 9 18.00
velvet runners 2.11
1 vase 1.00
paint & varnish (1/2 gal. each) 2.40
2 venetian blinds 6.98
1/2 yd. braid for runners .74

Oct. 1940 - WEINER SUPPER 43.10

June 1941 - WEINER AND ICE CREAM SUPPER

Apr. 1942 - Gave set of dishes to parsonage

Nov. 1942 - Donation on parsonage furniture 15.00

Sept. 1943 - CHICKEN PLATE LUNCH

Apr. 1944 - RAFFLE ON A QUILT

July 1944 - CHICKEN SUPPER

Apr. 1948 - SOLD VANILLA FLAVORING AND HAD A PAPER SALE
May 1948  -SOLD COAT HANGERS

Oct. 1948  -Bought venetian blind for church  $125.10

July 1949  -Had settee for parsonage recovered

July 1949  -Saved Lever Bros. coupons for cash

Aug. 1949  -Bought mattress for parsonage  10.00

Oct. 1949  -Youth group for Community House Building Fund  50.00

June 1950  -Donation to Church  25.00

Aug. 1950  -Youth group for Community House Building Fund  158.55

May 1951  - Parsonage Fund  66.30

Mar. 1952  -Helped buy set of dishes for parsonage

Mar. 1952  -Quilted several quilts for $3 each

Nov. 1953  -Bought coffee maker  24.60

Nov. 1953  -Donation to church for underpinning  10.00

Nov. 1953  -SOLD CHRISTMAS PAPER  32.00

Oct. 1954  -Lamp shade for parsonage  7.08

Nov. 1955  -DIME SUPPER  80.07
Jan. 1956  -Sent MYF member to camp  $14.00
Mar. 1956  -Gave 2 sheets to parsonage  4.51
Oct. 1956  -Bought gas heater  45.00
June 1957  -Venetian blind for church  7.00
Aug. 1957  -Community House piano tuned  12.00
Sept. 1957  -FELLOWSHIP SUPPER  55.28
Oct. 1958  -CHICKEN SUPPER  144.40
            (for pulpit furniture)*
*Feb. 6, 1969 Pulpit furniture was
bought from Roswell Seating
Co. The following was taken
from the original receipt:

1 No. 1102 Communion Table  $82.50
2 Side Pulpit chairs  125.00
1 Center Pulpit chair  67.50
2 bronze plaques  9.10
Total  284.10
Sales Tax  8.48
Total  $292.58

Dr. C. W. Hill gave $75 for a chair in
memory of Mr. & Mrs. Glynn E. Stanley; Mrs.
S. D. Mitchell gave a chair in memory of
her husband, S. D. Mitchell; the W.S.C.S.
gave the table and one chair making up the
difference in the total.

May 1960  -Paint for inside of
Community House  48.00
Aug. 1960  -Community House curtain
material  11.00
Aug. 1960  - SOLD CANDY  50.00
Nov. 1963  - Paint for parsonage kitchen
Aug. 1964  - Cloth for W.S.C.S. officer's table
Aug. 1964  - SOLD COOKBOOKS
Aug. 1964  - SOLD BLACK PEPPER
July 1965  - Bought 12 wooden chairs  43.26
Jan. 1966  - 2 brass candle holders for church communion table  65.00
Jan. 1966  - SOLD LIGHT BULBS  64.83
Sept. 1966 - FAMILY SUPPER  148.00
July 1967  - SOLD BLACK PEPPER
Aug. 1967  - Communion cloths for church  48.40
Sept. 1967 - Coffee maker(by member gifts)  10.29
Mar. 1968  - Curtain material for Community House  31.23
Aug. 1968  - 2 brooms & table cloth for Community House  13.10
Sept. 1969 - SOLD CANDY
Oct. 1970  - SOLD BLACK PEPPER
Feb. 1971  - Sunday School for gas bill  50.00
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<td>Water meter, plastic pipe &amp; fittings for county water</td>
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<td>Bedspread to Mrs. Oscar Spence-going-away gift</td>
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<td>Broom &amp; door lock for Community House</td>
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<td>SOLD NOTE STATIONARY with picture of church on it</td>
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<td>Gave man who lost home &amp; family in fire</td>
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<td>Wood for cabinet backs</td>
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<td>(Homer Jinks donated tops)</td>
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<td>Faucet for sink</td>
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<td>Silverware holder for Community House</td>
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<td>Dish drainer &amp; paper to line cabinet drawers</td>
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Mar. 1973  -Sunday School on gas bill  $ 50.00

Apr. 1973  -Gave to family who lost home in a tornado  50.00

June 1973 -BAKE SALE (Quality Mkt.)  1.76.80

July 1973 -4 drawer metal file cabinet for U. M.W.  58.28

Nov. 1973 -TURKEY SUPPER  373.56

Jan. 1974  -Bought gavel in memory of Mrs. E. M. Bond to use at meetings of U.M. W. (donations by members) First used March 6, 1974

Feb. 1974  -Paid for one-half of a used stove for Community House  20.00

Mar. 1974  -Bought 20 cubic ft. refrigerator for parsonage  285.32

Apr. 1974  -Washer and dryer for parsonage  330.46

May 1974  -Bought drapes, spread, sheets, pillows and cases for parsonage bedroom  80.00

June 1974  -Balance to finish paying for above items  50.00

Nov. 1974  -TURKEY SUPPER  762.42

See next page for itemized list of donations to the new parsonage.
During the year 1974 the following items were bought by the United Methodist Women and given to the parsonage.

Kenmore Washer & Dryer $330.46
G.E. Refrigerator-freezer 285.31
(20 cubic feet)
2 king size pillows 17.88
2 king size pillow covers 7.82
1 king size bed spread 24.99
1 king size top sheet 4.99
1 king size fitted sheet 3.99
1 pair king size pillow cases 4.68
Quilted mattress cover donated by a U. M. W. member
2 traverse rods 14.52
1 pair sheer curtains 5.58
2 curtain rods .97
2 drapery cord pullies 2.02
2 boxes drapery pins 1.76
2 pair blue,lined draperies 23.92
Sales tax 2.47

Total cost of all above items $731.38

Feb. 1975 —Sunday School for gas 50.00
Aug. 1975 —COUNTRY STORE 329.47
Sept. 1975 —Gave to a young lady (brain tumor surgery) 100.00
Dec. 1975 —Food and clothing to a needy family(member donations)
Aug. 1976 —COUNTRY STORE 176.04
Nov. 1976 —HOBO SUPPER 250.65
Dec. 1976 —Gave cancer victim 50.00
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<td>Commode &amp; 6 fixtures for Community house</td>
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<td>Sept. 1977</td>
<td>Paid on septic tank</td>
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<td>Oct. 1977</td>
<td>Bathroom sink cabinets</td>
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<td>On bricking of Community House in memory of J. B. Bond</td>
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<td>Curtains &amp; rods for dining areas &amp; bathrooms in Community House &amp; shades for bathrooms</td>
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<td>TURKEY SUPPER</td>
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<td>Pants suit for Task Committee Chairman</td>
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<td>Double-oven stove for Community House</td>
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<td>Church on utilities</td>
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<td>Church for Carpet Fund</td>
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<td>3 doz. coffee cups, 6 doz. teaspoons, 3 doz. tablespoons, 6 doz. forks, 3 doz. knives for Community House</td>
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<td>SOLD TUPPERWARE</td>
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<td>SOLD OLD STOVE</td>
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June 1979  - Church for Carpet Fund  $150.00

Nov. 1979  - Fruit to patients at Westbury Nursing Home at McDonough & to sick & shut-ins in church & community

Dec. 1979  - Clothing & 4 wooden chairs to needy family (donations)

1979 year  - Mission pledge for year  100.00

June 1980  - HOT DOG SUPPER  201.61

Aug. 1980  - To a needy woman  100.00

Oct. 1980  - Ethel Harpst Home  25.00

Oct. 1980  - Community House carpets cleaned & Scotch guarded  70.00

Nov. 1980  - Fruit to patients at Lake City Nursing Home at Rex & to sick & shut-ins in church & community  66.40

1980 year  - Mission pledge for year  100.00

Jan. 1981  - U. M.W. card fund for cards  25.00

Feb. 1981  - Dish towel & drying cloth shower for Community House

April 1981  - Vinyl tablecloths for tables at community house plus extra cloths for church tables when used on special occasions  98.67
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<td>Day of Prayer &amp; Self-Denial</td>
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<td>Hosted A-D-O District Pastor's meeting for 47 pastors. Morning refreshments &amp; lunch. (U.M.W. member &amp; church member donations)</td>
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<td>May 1981</td>
<td>Two brass offering plates for church</td>
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BY-LAWS AND PRACTICES

Jan. 1952  - An INACTIVE ROLL was begun

Mar. 1954  - Gifts for new brides discontinued

Sept. 1958  - Voted to meet at 10:30 a. m. on Wednesday after first Sunday of each month combining business, devotion & program into morning session with lunch following.

Mar. 7, 1973  - Voted that elected officers may not hold the same office for more than two consecutive years. There must be an election each year.

Jan. 1975  - Voted to place a red rosebud on Church altar at morning worship on Sunday following the birth of a child to church members & those who attend Anvil Block regularly.

Sept. 1975  - Collection of clothing for Family & Children's Services discontinued as they can't use adult clothing.

May 1976  - Key to Community House made. President gives to those acting as hostesses each month.

July 1980  - Gave Publicity Chairman authority to send pictures of U.M.W. events to Wesleyan Christian Advocate and have them paid by the U.M.W.
FLOWER POLICY

Feb. 7, 1945  -Flowers in the amount of $5 will be sent for death of a member, her husband, children, mother, father, brother or sister in the name of Anvil Block W.S.C.S by the card and flower committee and paid from the Love Offering.

Nov. 1947  -AMEND FLOWER POLICY "to send to any member who is ill in the hospital." No price set.

Sept. 7, 1949  -Discontinue sending flowers, but continue sending cards to sick & bereaved in church & community.

Apr. 9, 1969  -The president, Mrs. H.L. Clark, asked to put in minutes that "no more flowers be sent in the name of W.S.C.S. except to immediate members and that they be paid from the treasury instead of donations.

May 17, 1972  -FLOWERS TO BE SENT FOR DEATH ONLY--to active members or their husband. $20 plus tax to be spent--ordered by President & paid from treasury.

Sept. 10, 1980--AMENDING AMOUNT TO BE SPENT FOR FLOWERS FOR DEATH for active members or their husband. $30 plus tax to be spent. Ordered by president & paid from treasury.
CARD POLICY
(approved by vote)

Feb. 7, 1945 - The Society will send cards to members who are ill instead of flowers. Flowers will be sent in case of certain deaths (see FLOWER POLICY).

Oct. 6, 1965 - Limit cards to members of W.S.C.S., member's immediate families, people of the community & one-time residents of the community.

Jan. 5, 1975 - Cards to be sent to members and their families (as far as grandparents).

Oct. 4, 1978 - Cards to be sent to all those in the U.M.W., the church & the community who are in the hospital or have an extended illness at home.

Feb. 13, 1980 - EXTENDED ILLNESS DEFINED - Cards to be sent to all those in the U.M.W., the church & the community who go to the hospital or have an extended illness (continuing for two weeks) at home.
DUTIES OF OFFICERS OF THE LOCAL UNIT
(Brief form from Constitution & Bylaws)

THE PRESIDENT:

working with the Executive Committee, shall seek to advance all phases of the work of United Methodist Women. She shall:

Preside at all meetings of the unit

Serve as ex officio member of all committees, except the Committee on Nominations

Work with the secretary in formulating business agenda

sign with the secretary all orders of the treasury

sign official and legal papers

encourage participation of members in the life & work of the local church, in district & conference activities and enrichment opportunities

work with other elected leaders in preparing reports

represent the unit in all meetings, or name a substitute, except where delegates have been elected by the unit.

appoint such committees as are needed to carry out the work of the unit.

According to the DISCIPLINE #248, the president shall be a member of the United Methodist Church & shall serve as a member of the Council on Ministries & the Administrative Board.
THE VICE-PRESIDENT
shall actively assist the unit in fulfilling
the PURPOSE, shall work in cooperation with the
president & in the absence of the president shall
perform duties of that office.

shall be in charge of the units programs & studies
by presenting the monthly programs or asking
others to do so.

shall share in reports of the unit through district
& conference to the Women's Division.

THE SECRETARY
shall keep accurate minutes of all meetings of the
unit & its Executive Committee.

shall serve as custodian of all records & official
papers as may be placed in her care.

shall sign, with the president, all orders on the
treasury & all official & legal papers, making
certain each is properly dated.

care for correspondence as directed & share with
the unit letters addressed to the unit.

keep an accurate up-to-date roll of membership.

shall send list of officers of the unit complete with
addresses & phone numbers to the secretary of the
District U.M.W. immediately upon their election.
Send name of new President to Service Center on
a special form they will provide.

work with other elected leaders in preparing records.
THE TREASURER
shall receive & disburse funds on order of the
unit & account for all funds of the unit.

send funds designated for conference missions,
supplemental givings and other conference
offerings to the conference U.M.W. treasurer.
These remittances shall be made quarterly.

make itemized reports to the unit at all meetings
& make annual reports to the unit.

keep receipts for payments made from the treasury
to individuals and others.

CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS
shall seek to discover new leadership within
the unit.

shall present to the unit a recommended slate of
officers at the September meeting each year. This
is done through a meeting of the Committee on
Nominations and by contacting those recommended
for nomination to get their approval.

shall nominate officers to fill any vacancy in
leadership during the year.

The president may not serve on this committee.

CHAIRMAN OF CHRISTIAN PERSONHOOD
shall be responsible for short devotions at
monthly meetings of the unit.

shall be responsible for the DAY OF PRAYER AND
SELF-DENIAL program each year.

shall promote the Reading Program.
THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

is composed of the president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, chairperson of the Committee on Nominations and the pastor.

shall set goals for the unit & evaluate progress towards planned goals & objectives.

consider future plans or projects & submit recommendations to the unit for action.

OTHER COMMITTEES AT ANVIL BLOCK U.M.W.
(appointed by the president as needed)

TASK COMMITTEE
shall be in charge of money making projects & other assigned projects of the unit.

TELEPHONE COMMITTEE—shall call members as directed by the president to relay information.

PUBLICITY—shall publicize U.M.W. activities in the Wesleyan Christian Advocate & newspapers as directed by the unit.

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN—shall encourage new members to join the group, furnish information.

CARD CHAIRMAN—shall send cards to those in the U.M.W. who go to the hospital or have extended illness (at least two weeks) at home. Also send cards to regular shut-ins each month.

KEY LADY TO U.M. CHILDRENS HOME AUXILIARY—shall attend & encourage attendance at U. M. Childrens Home Auxiliary meetings & work with them on their projects. Make reports to church newsletter each month as well as to the unit.
PAST PRESIDENTS AND YEARS OF SERVICE

LADIES’ AUXILIARY OF ANVIL BLOCK METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH

Mrs. J. B. (Hazel) Bond - Sept. 1934 - June 1935
Mrs. Frank White - June 1935 -

Minutes were destroyed for period from March 23, 1935 to May 13, 1939. Minutes March 23, 1935 stated that Mrs. Frank White was elected president for the new year. Next minutes of record May 13, 1939 stated that Mrs. J. B. (Hazel) Bond was president at that time.

Mrs. J. B. (Hazel) Bond - May 1939 - Aug. 10, 1940

August 10, 1940 was the last meeting of Ladies’ Auxiliary of Anvil Block Methodist Protestant Church.

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CHARTER MEETING OF ANVIL BLOCK WOMAN’S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE held August 31, 1940.

Terms ran from January to January

Mrs. J. B. (Hazel) Bond - Aug. 31, 1940 - Dec. 1941
Miss Lillian Clark - Jan. 1942 - Dec. 1943
Mrs. H. L. Clark - Jan. 1944 - Dec. 1944
Miss Lillian Clark - Jan. 1945 - Dec. 1945
Mrs. J. B. (Hazel) Bond - Jan. 1946 - Dec. 1949
Miss Lillian Clark - Jan. 1950 - Dec. 1950
Mrs. O. R. Clark - Jan. 1951 - June 1954

Terms ran from June to June

Mrs. G. W. Rowden - June 1954 - May 1956
Miss Lillian Clark - June 1956 - May 1957
Mrs. J. B. (Hazel) Bond - June 1957 - May 1959
Mrs. G. W. Rowden - June 1959 - May 1960
Mrs. Jack Bond - June 1960 - May 1961
Mrs. J. B. (Hazel) Bond - June 1961 - May 1963
Mrs. H. L. Clark - June 1963 - May 1965
Mrs. W. M. Chamlee - June 1965 - May 1966

May 1966, Name changed to WOMEN’S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE.

Terms ran from Sept. to Sept.

Mrs. H. L. Clark - June 1966 - Aug. 1970
Mrs. G. W. Rowden  
Name Changed to UNITED METHODIST WOMEN-Jan. 1973
Terms ran from January to January

Mrs. Jeff Stewart  
Mrs. Talmadge Walden  
Mrs. H. E. Sutton  
Mrs. H. L. Clark  
Mrs. W. M. Mitchell  