

**Advent Celebration** - An intergenerational gathering and worship for women to celebrate the season of Advent. Typically, held on the first Tuesday in December.

**Amazing Graces** - Offers a Book Club, Dinner Groups, Yoga and other events.

**Churchwide Gathering** - A gathering that occurs every three years and includes Presbyterian Women from all over the world who talk about mission, share faith stories and promote PW. (2021)

**Circle** - A group of women who come together for Bible Study, fellowship and fun. Circles meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month, September to May at the church.

**Circle Visitation** - PW Board Members visit one of our 9 circles each month to share information from the Board and meet new people! Schedule is distributed in August.

**Coordinating Team (CT)** - This group helps coordinate all PW activities. Members include: PW Board members, Circle Leaders, Circle Treasurers, PW Advisors, members of the Nominating Committee, Mission Sewing coordinator, and Operation Breakthrough Reading leaders. CT meetings are held in August (introducing new members, talking about future plans) and April (transition and end-of-year report).

**Executive Board** – Includes the Co-Moderator, Co-Moderator-Elect, Co-Nominating Coordinator, Treasurer, PW Advisor and PW Advising Pastor.

**Heartland Presbytery** - A broad regional governing body made up of local churches in the greater KC area (southwest MO and southeast KS). There are 172 Presbyteries in the PC(USA). Village Church is a member of Heartland Presbytery.

**Heartland Presbytery Presbyterian Women (HPPW)** - A PW organization within the Heartland Presbytery, open to all women.

**Honorary Lifetime Members (HLM)** - Women whom have made significant contributions to PW and Village Church, nominated in the fall and voted upon by the PW board. The women are honored at the Women of Faith Celebration.

**Horizons** - a magazine publication.

**Horizons Bible Study** - the monthly study used by the Circles.

**Horizons Workshop** - an annual workshop at Village Church for women in our Presbytery. Often the speaker for this workshop is the author of the Horizons Bible Study.

**Mid-America Synod** - A broader regional governing body made up of Presbyteries. There are 16 synods in the PC(USA). Village Church is a member of Mid-America Synod.

**Mission Sewing** - A group of women who meet each Tuesday and Thursday to sew, knit, crochet and enjoy fellowship. Non-sewers and home projects are welcome!

**Montreat Women's Connection at Montreat, NC** - An annual gathering of women that provides workshops, worship, and small groups. Ideally located in the mountains!

**Nominating Committee** - A committee of 5-7 women, including the Co-Nominating Coordinator, who nominate and recruit women to serve on the PW Board.

**Operation Breakthrough (OB) Reading Program** - One of the PW Mission Projects which includes a group of volunteers (women and men) who gather at Village Church to read to children from the Operation Breakthrough Child Care Center. There are approximately 40 preschoolers who attend for 6 weeks in the spring and 6 weeks in the fall.

**Page Turners Book Club** - A monthly book club open to all ages, meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday.

**PC(USA)** - A mainline protestant denomination of the reformed tradition. It is the largest denomination in the USA, and Village Church is a member. Headquartered in Louisville, KY.

**PW Blast (Plugged Into PW)** - A monthly online communication covering PW events.

**PW Board** - A team of 20 women, including the PW Co-Moderator, Co-Moderator-Elect, PW Co-Nominating Coordinators, PW Advisor and PW Pastoral Advisor, who conduct the business of PW. Monthly meetings are on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday.

**PW Fall Event** - An annual event held in the fall, open to everyone!

**PW Annual** - A printed communication which includes an annual calendar of events, photographs and contact information for PW groups. Distributed in the Good News, available at church entrances and handed out to new church members.

**PW Retreat** - A weekend retreat that occurs every other year, in even numbered years. Held at the Heartland Presbytery Center.

**Stage Groups** - Groups that were developed to give women of similar ages and interests an opportunity for fellowship and activity. Our current focus is on similar interests, instead of different ages. This includes: Women with Spirit, Amazing Graces and Women of Wisdom.

**The Messenger** - A once a month (September through May) newsletter which is distributed at PW Circle meetings, available online and at church.

**Celebration of Faithful Women (COFW)** - An event which honors outstanding women who have made significant contributions to the church and the community.

**Women of Wisdom (WOW)** - A group of women offering special events.

**Women with Spirit (WWS)** - A group of women offering special events.