Celebrating 50 Years: United Church Women (UCW) at Grace United

1962 – 2012



UCW Executive 1985



United Church Women (UCW)

- Formed January 1, 1962
- Amalgamating the:

 Woman's Association (WA)
 Woman's Missionary Society (WMS)



UCW Mission Statement

- to love God
- to foster Christian faithfulness, spirituality, commitment and devotion
- to promote love and respect by living generously and giving joyfully to all God's people and
- to affirm and strengthen ourselves creatively.











UCW Purpose:

 to unite the women of the congregation for the total mission of the Church and

 to provide a medium through which they may express their loyalty and devotion to Jesus Christ, in Christian witness, study, fellowship, and service.





Over the last 50 years, the UCW has enriched the life of the congregation and the community through their work.



Christmas Craft Sale



Fundraising Projects Included:

- Rummage and garage sales
- Fashion shows
- Bazaars and craft sales
- Card parties
- Church dinners and barbeques
- Easter eggs sales
- Sale of aluminum foil and plastic wrap
- Sale of Canada savings bonds
- Musical evenings



Christmas Project



January 1999





"Tea Time" - September 24, 2000



In the Church, funds raised went to items such as:

- Renovation of stained glass windows
- Sound system
- Fellowship Hall dishwasher
- Hearth Room furnishings
- Carpeting
- Repair and repainting of chairs and furniture
- Benevolent Fund
- Bell Tower renovation
- General purposes



UCW Sunday





UCW 40th Anniversary - 2002



September 2002



Organizations supported include:

- United Church Mission and Service Fund
- Grace Food Bank
- St. Louise Outreach
- Brampton Life Centre
- Birthright Brampton
- Massey Centre
- Fred Victor Mission
- Family Life Resource Centre
- Sleeping Children Around the World
- Fellowship of the Least Coin
- Habitat for Humanity



Presentation of Funds by Men's Club to UCW for Food Bank – September 2003



Widening the Circle Event -September 2003





Christmas Meeting - 2003



A Life Membership pin and certificate are available to any member of the UCW whom a UCW group may wish to honour.



Life Membership Recipients - 2004



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Christmas Meeting - 2004













The UCW is

FAMOUS

for their baked goods

which have been generously

provided over the years for Church

events, catered events, special dinners,

funerals, Scout banquets, etc., etc., etc.

Christmas Bazaar – November 2005



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Christmas Meeting – December 2005



Food Bank – Fall 2006



Installation of Executive - 2007



Installation of Executive – May 2008



UCW Meeting – January 2011



UCW at Grace United Church

- 1962:
 17 units
 300 members
- 2012

 1 unit
 14 members



UCW BBQ – June 2011



Charter Members

- Joyce Bishop
- Katherine Enns
- Betty Graham
- Betty Ingebertson
- Ruth McCulloch
- Evelyn Rafferty
- Janet Whitbread

