

**Presbyterian Women of the
Presbytery of Western North Carolina**

The 2017 Spring Gathering of the Presbyterian Women of Western North Carolina was held Saturday, April 8, 2017, at the First Presbyterian Church Newton, in Newton, North Carolina. There were 96 in attendance representing 24 churches in the Presbytery of Western North Carolina and two (2) from the Presbytery of New York.

Scholarships in the amount of \$1,500 per student per year were awarded to Anna Nagy, a student of Warren Wilson College; Kailyn Roberts, a student of Appalachian State; and Luke Shealy, a student of North Carolina State University. The Faith Fund recipients of \$500 each were UKirk Campus Ministry at Western Carolina University and Praley Street Acre of Grace Community Garden. The mission offering in the amount of \$1,602.23 was given to the Family Care Center of Catawba Valley, Inc.

We were blessed to have with us Reverend Melissa Bane Sevier, the author of the 2017-2018 *Horizons Bible* study, *Cloud of Witnesses: The Community of Christ in Hebrews*. Reverend Sevier provided an overview of the entire study, and she installed the 2017-2018 Coordinating Team. The gathering ended with a memorial for the women who entered the Church Triumphant in 2016.

Please note the Coordinating Team is in search of ladies to fill the positions of: Celebration Giving, Mission Facilitator, Cluster E Leader, and Ethnic Member at Large (Black or Hispanic). If you know of someone interested in filling one of the positions, please have them contact Tina Joyner, Presbytery PW Moderator, at tjoyner10@yahoo.com or 828.279.2665,

The Presbytery PW Fall Gatherings are scheduled as follows: the Fall Gathering (West) is scheduled for September 23, 2017, at Bryson City Presbyterian in Bryson City. The Fall Gathering (East) is scheduled for September 30, 2017, at Green Street Presbyterian in Morganton. The Synod Summer Gathering will be held at the Massanetta Springs Conference Center in Harrisonburg, Virginia, the weekend of June 15-18. For the brochure and registration form, please go to <https://www.pwsynodmidatlantic.org/> .

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Joyner
PW PWNC Moderator