

Maritime United Church Women

The 2025 Annual meeting was held April 25th, and 26th at Bedford United Church in Bedford N.S. This was an opportunity for United Church Women from across the Maritimes to gather, with worship, education, food, fun and friendship.

The MUCW presented cards and a donation to M&S in each of their names to all of the ordinands at the joint annual meeting of BNS and FSLDW regional councils.

The Executive met on June 9th and August 11th at the UCC office in Sackville NB. The executive also met on Oct 6th in Moncton, and on November 21st, January 23rd February 3rd and April 14th, 2026 via Zoom.

At Berwick Camp this past summer the UCW continued to provide Cookies for the beloved cookie cottage, the majority of which came from the women of PEI. Letha Mowat's name was added to the plaque at the cookie cottage. On UCW day at Berwick we were delighted that Bishop Rev. Karen Oliveto agreed to speak with our women that day. It was a very uplifting and inspiring message.

In September, President Betty-Ann Watts, President-elect Ann Piper, Anna Peters Member at Large and Myra Thiemann Recording Secretary travelled to Mississauga Ontario to attend the National UCW Annual Meeting. We were surprised to learn that not every regional council has a seat at the table for UCW. This is something that BNS, and FSLDW regional councils do and we are honoured to be part of the work of regional council. NUCW has formed an affirming committee to look into our National UCW becoming an affirming community of faith.

The MUCW puts out 3 newsletters per year which are distributed to all of our members across the three provinces. Although our Bermuda units are no longer functioning as a UCW they still receive the newsletters to keep in touch with us here in Nova Scotia. The newsletters are filled with information from individual units across the Maritimes. These newsletters are also posted on the UCC east website. When you read any one of these newsletters you will see that our units across the Maritimes are still very busy indeed.

Mission and Service givings for 2024 (we receive the total amount given in June or July each year) \$55,666.

The Healing Fund was chosen as our 5-year project in 2022, and as of December 29, 2025 the total amount of gifts received from UCW members nationally is \$107,726.88. MUCW is proud to be part of one step towards reconciliation.

2026 Annual Meeting will take place April 24-26 in Nashwaaksis United Church, Fredericton NB.

Respectfully Submitted
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UCW representative to BNS regional council.