

Women's Resource Council
Report to the 39th General Assembly



Sharon Beekmann
Chairman

Summary of Work, 2018-2019:

1. The WRC has increased participation of EPC women on Social media to 500 (Facebook and Blog).
2. The WRC has produced five videos that are available on Facebook, the EPC website, and The Well Blog.
3. The WRC has vetted Resources for women in the local church that are available at www.epc.org/thewell.
4. The WRC sent brochures, fliers, and a letter to EPC clerks of church Session to introduce the WRC to local churches, to solicit donations, and improve traffic on website, blog, and Facebook.

Recommendations to the 2019 General Assembly:

WRC has no recommendations at this time.

Work of the Committee in 2018-2019:

The Women's Resource Council (WRC) continues to support women in local churches to fulfill the mission and vision of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church. The ministry encourages connections across the denomination and provides resources that inspire and facilitate the development of a vibrant ministries wherein women are nurtured, encouraged, and inspired and equipped to bring Christ to those near and far.

The WRC helps women connect across the denomination. It uses:

- Facebook: www.facebook.com/groups/TheWellEPC
- Blog: www.epcthewellorg.wordpress.com
- Website: www.epc.org/thewell
- Print communications
- Person-to-person contact



WRC offers resources on the EPC website that include materials for individual, small, and large group studies on the Bible and topics such as discipleship, evangelization, spiritual formation, soul care, and leadership development. In 2018-19, WRC refined the vetting process of resources and expanded outreach to women in local churches. TE Sharon Beekmann conducted a seminar on Reformed Theology to equip Council members in the vetting of resources. WRC continues to recruit reviewers, writers, and editors for the ministry. The WRC planned five events for EPC General Assembly.

Organization and Administration

The WRC permanent committee consists of six women and general membership of eight women, for a total of 14 members. Currently, all but two presbyteries are represented.

Committee Members

TE Sharon Beekmann (Chairman), Presbytery of the West
Sarah Angelo, Presbytery of Mid-America
Heidi Bethel, Presbytery of the Southeast
TE Mary Brown, Presbytery of the Great Plains
RE Lynn Burdge, Presbytery of the Central South
Kathy Clymer, Presbytery of the Mid-Atlantic
RE Rebecca Duvall, Presbytery of the Pacific Southwest
Becky Melancon, Presbytery of the Gulf South
Tina Picard, Presbytery of the Pacific Northwest
Kathleen Marcy, Presbytery of the Rivers and Lakes
Kimberly Ann Sinclair, Presbytery of the Midwest
Joe Ann Stenstrom, Presbytery of the East

Committee Meeting Dates:

January 14-16, 2019—Office of the General Assembly, Orlando, FL
June 16-17, 2019—Denver, CO

Respectfully submitted,

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