



ACTION ALERT

United Methodist Women Say Count Every Vote

A crucial election day is only weeks away. At stake are vital political, economic and moral issues of concern to all Americans. Over the next four years the Congress, the President and the Courts will consider issues such as health care, the financial crisis, the war in Iraq, jobs, immigration and the environment.

As people of faith we have an obligation to participate in the elections to ensure that our governments' policies at the state, local and Federal levels, reflect our commitment to social justice.

You have an important role to play in making sure every vote counts, and that every voter can cast a ballot for justice on Election Day. Join the Women's Division challenge to achieve 100% voter turnout for your United Methodist Women's Unit, and to expand the participation of United Methodist Women in the election process. WE can make a difference. Let's restore our voting clout at the ballot box. Units that complete 80% of the acts on the Count Every Vote Checklist will be recognized at the November Leadership Training Event. In addition these acts can help your Units toward becoming a Mission Today Unit. When you have completed the checklist, return it to the Washington Office of Public Policy. You can send in pictures of you and your unit members in action in the precincts, getting the word out to vote in the church or community, and we will post them on the Women's Division website. The mailing address to send your checklist and pictures is below.



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State	Voter Registration Deadline	Telephone Numbers for State Board of Elections
Alabama	Friday, October 24	(334) 242-7210
Alaska	Sun., Oct. 5 (postmark by Oct. 4)	(907) 465-4611
Arizona	Monday, October 6	(602) 542-8683
Arkansas	Monday, October 6	(501) 682-3419
California	Monday, October 20	(916) 657-2166
Colorado	Monday, October 6	(303) 894-2680
Connecticut	Tuesday, October 21	(860) 566-3106
Delaware	Saturday, October 11	(302) 739-4277
D.C.	Monday, October 6	(202) 639-8916
Florida	Monday, October 6	(850) 245-6200
Georgia	Monday, October 6	(404) 656-2871
Hawaii	Monday, October 6	(808) 453-8683
Idaho	Register at Polls	(208) 334-2852
Illinois	Tuesday, October 7	(217) 782-4141 / (312) 814-6440
Indiana	Monday, October 6	(317) 232-6541
Iowa	Friday, October 24	(515) 281-6598
Kansas	Monday, October 20	(913) 296-4561
Kentucky	Monday, October 6	(502) 573-7100
Louisiana	Monday, October 6	(504) 342-4970
Maine	Tuesday, October 21	(207) 624-7650
Maryland	Tuesday, October 14	(410) 974-3711
Massachusetts	Wednesday, October 15	(617) 727-2828
Michigan	Monday, October 6	(517) 373-2540
Minnesota	Same Day Registration at Polls	(612) 215-1440
Mississippi	Monday, October 6	(601) 359-6357
Missouri	Wednesday, October 8	(800) 669-9683
Montana	Mon., Oct. 6 (or same day)	(406) 444-4732 / (888) 884-8683
Nebraska	Fri., Oct. 24 (mail by Oct. 17)	(402) 471-2554
Nevada	Tuesday, October 14	(775) 684-5705
New Hampshire	Same Day	(603) 271-3242
New Jersey	Tuesday, October 14	(609) 292-3760
New Mexico	Tuesday, October 7	(505) 827-3600
New York	Friday, October 10	(518) 474-1953
North Carolina	Friday, October 10	(919) 733-7173
North Dakota	N/A	(701) 328-2900
Ohio	Monday, October 6	(614) 466-2585
Oklahoma	Friday, October 10	(405) 521-2391
Oregon	Tuesday, October 14	(503) 986-1518
Pennsylvania	Monday, October 6	(717) 787-5280
Rhode Island	Saturday, October 4	(401) 277-2340
South Carolina	Saturday, October 4	(803) 734-9060
South Dakota	Monday, October 20	(605) 773-3537
Tennessee	Monday, October 6	(615) 741-7959
Texas	Monday, October 6	(512) 463-5650
Utah	Mon., Oct. 6 (in person Oct. 28)	(800) 995-8683
Vermont	Wednesday, October 29	(802) 828-2363
Virginia	Monday, October 6	(804) 786-6551
Washington	Mon., Oct. 4 (in person Oct. 20)	(360) 902-4180
West Virginia	Wednesday, October 15	(304) 558-6000
Wisconsin	Wed. Oct. 15 (or at polls)	(608) 266-8005
Wyoming	Can register at polls	(307) 777-7640



COUNT EVERY VOTE CHECKLIST



Check the box if there is at least one person in your Unit who can say:

I will work as a poll watcher.
Name: _____.

All members of my family are registered to vote.

I reminded a college student to register either in their primary residence or at home to vote by absentee ballot if necessary.

I asked at least five people in my community if they were registered.

I held a meeting with friends or others to discuss the election.

I attended a forum to hear candidates speak on issues.

I distributed information on an issue of importance to United Methodist women to at least five people.

I registered five new voters.

I called five people to remind them to vote.

I provided transportation for someone who needed help getting to the voting poll.

I said a prayer for those running for office.

I wrote down the telephone number to report voting problems at my polling place. I will take this number with me to the poll.

I provided translation on Election Day.

I reminded at least three people to take identification with them when they go to vote.

I helped a new neighbor register to vote.

I helped a flood victim get to the poll.

I wrote a letter to my newspaper about the importance of voting.

**No matter where you live or who you are,
this election will affect you
and the things you care about!**