

Spring Meeting Spotlights Elections and Women's Leadership

The Council of Lutheran Women (CLW) Spring meeting is scheduled for **Monday, April 30, 2018**, at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills. Registration begins at 9:15 a.m., followed by devotions and the business meeting at 9:45 a.m.

The speaker will be Darcy Paape who serves at Concordia University Wisconsin as director of the Women's Leadership Institute and as an associate in Campus Ministry. As Institute Director she oversees volunteer work teams to fulfill the institute's mission to educate, encourage, and equip women in exemplary Christian

leadership. In her campus ministry role she is a mentor and advisor for a variety of student ministry groups, including the young women's ministry on Concordia Wisconsin's campus.

The meeting agenda will include updates on all the ministries the CLW supports and election of officers. This year's slate of candidates is as follows:

President: Lucie Witte (Mt. Calvary, Detroit)

Vice President of Human Care: Barbara Hoffmeier - Incumbent (St. Paul, Northville) Treasurer: Wilma Wagner—Incumbent (St. Peter, Eastpointe)

Our thanks to the incumbents who agreed to volunteer for another two-year term. The Council still needs volunteers to fill vacancies. Nominations will be accepted at the meeting, so please consider offering your time and talents.

Make your spring meeting reservations by <u>April 25</u> to: Marlene Gunnell at 586-778-4852 or marlene1@wowway.com Our hostesses need an accurate count, so please RSVP!

CLW Honors 2018 Women of the Year

The annual CLW Women of the Year Luncheon was held March 20, 2018, to honor 55 women from member congregations and inter-congregational organizations. This year's event was attended by 850 guests. Entertainment was provided Elaine Bickel, who shared stories of faith and humor drawn from her years as an educator. Proceeds from the luncheon are used for scholarships for seminarian and deaconess students as well as



ess students as well as two memorial scholarships at Concordia University Ann Arbor. The event also serves as a major in-gathering for items that help support several community ministries.

Upcoming Events

September 24, 2018 FALL MEETING Our Shepherd, Birmingham

Registration begins at 9:15 a.m. and the meeting follows at 9:45 a.m. Guest speakers following the luncheon served by the ladies of Our Shepherd will be Rev. Tim and Beth Heiney, missionaries in Guinea, West Africa.

October 15, 2018 PRESIDENTS TEA

Invitations will be sent in September with the details for this special event.

Sharing our blessings . . .

Attendees are encouraged to bring items for all of our member inter-congregational organizations in addition to Operation Layette, Detroit Food Banks and Detroit Rescue Mission Ministry.

Some of the items needed include: paper products for serving meals; toilet paper & Kleenex; nonperishable & "easy open" food items; hygiene items; undergarments and socks; Bibles; twin sheets & towels; adult and child size glasses and sunglasses; layette items - onesies, undershirts, sleepers (3-9 mo), cloth diapers & pins, blankets, washcloths. and bottles; used inkjet and laser ink cartridges; clean toys; children's clothing, shoes, boots and socks (NB-size 16); children's books; school supplies; and gift cards for Kroger, Lowes, Meijer, Home Depot, Menards, Sam's Club, Target, and pre-paid VISA cards.

For more complete lists of items needed for all of the ministries we help support go to: www.clwmichigan.com

The Council of Lutheran Women (CLW) began as the women's auxiliary of the Lutheran Center Association. For over 50 years the Council has united the efforts of affiliated Lutheran women's organizations by encouraging a Christian witness in the local community and cooperating with various service agencies to serve those in need. Membership is encouraged among LCMS churches and inter-congregational organizations. Contact Marlene Gunnell at marlene1@wowway.com

