



Spring Meeting Spotlights Elections and POBLO International

The Spring Meeting for the Council of Lutheran Women (CLW) is scheduled for Monday, April 29, 2019 at **St. Mathew Lutheran Church in Westland** (5885 N. Venoy Rd, 48185). Registration begins at 9:15 am and Opening Devotions at 9:45. The business meeting will include inter-congregational organization updates and election for three officers. The Council will also be asking for input about the March 19 CLW Luncheon and the new reservation process. A luncheon will be served by our St. Matthew hosts and a free-will offering will be received.

The afternoon speakers are Cynthia Khan and Joy Markus from POBLO International, an organization impacting the lives of thousands across the United States and the world. The ministry utilizes cross-cultural outreach and works to empower churches and individuals in the United States to bridge cultural barriers and befriend immigrants and refugees in their communities.

Attendees are encouraged to invite their pastors for the meeting so they can learn about CLW and POBLO's work in the community. Those who wish to support POBLO's work are encouraged to bring gas gift cards for use by missionaries and volunteers, and Jo-Ann Fabrics gift cards to purchase sewing supplies for POBLO's sewing centers.

Election of officers will take place during the meeting. The council thanks the incumbents who agreed to volunteer for another two-year term as well as those who have agreed to place their names on the ballot.

This year's nominees are:

Vice President of Communications - Judy Shepard

Vice President of Events - Sandy Hardies

Secretary - Glory Drum and Charlestine Gooden

Nominations will be accepted at the meeting, so please consider offering your time and talents.

Make your spring meeting reservations by April 24 to:
Marlene Gunnell at 586-778-4852 or marlene1@wowway.com
Our hostesses need an accurate count, so please RSVP!

Sharing our blessings . . .

Attendees are encouraged to bring items for all of our member inter-congregational organizations, including Operation Layette and Detroit Food Banks.

Some of the items needed include: paper products for serving meals; toilet paper; nonperishable & "easy open" food items; hygiene items; undergarments and socks; adult and child size glasses; NEW children's coats, shoes, boots and socks; crib blankets, cloth diapers & infant socks; and gift cards for Lowe's, Home Depot, Menards, Target, and pre-paid VISA cards.

POBLO is requesting gas gift cards and Jo-Ann Fabrics gift cards.

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

Upcoming Events

September 23, 2019

FALL MEETING

St. Peter, Macomb

October 21, 2019

PRESIDENTS TEA

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

Women of the Year Honored



The annual Council of Lutheran Women Luncheon held March 19 at Burton Manor in Livonia included the recognition of 48 women selected from member congregations and inter-congregational organizations. This year's speaker Gayle Sommerfeld, founder of MOST Ministries, gave testimony about being called to mission work. Proceeds from the luncheon are used for seminarian and deaconess scholarships 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 community ministries in the greater Detroit metropolitan area.