From the Desk of Michele Madigan

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Council of Lutheran Women Attention: Lucie Witte, President 28211 Fountain Roseville, MI 48066

In the midst of my studying of Diakonal Studies a few months ago, I received a pleasant surprise. An invitation to attend the fall meeting on September 23rd. The unfortunate thing was that as I work full time, I was unable to arrange to take the day off as this invitation came only a few days prior.

I would have loved to express my thanks to those who support their sisters in Christ as they work towards a calling and education to serve our Lord and Savior in ministry. Please know that your generosity is very much appreciated.

I am currently in the second and last year of schooling, attending Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, Indiana in the Distance Program. Part of the requirement for this program is to attend a 2-week Intensive during the months of January and July. January of 2020 will be a repeat of January 2019 as I will have no paid vacation time to take while attending classes. This means 2 weeks of receiving no income. In addition to this, the paycheck I would receive prior to the Intensive will result in a double withdrawal from my pay to cover our medical coverage, leaving me with little income in the month of January.

With this being said, your generous support is both welcoming and needed. I pray that our Lord will continue to bless your endeavor to help others financially as they strive towards an education that is based in a Holy Ministry.

God's blessings,

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