

Council of Lutheran Women

56th Annual Luncheon

Tuesday, March 17, 2020

11:15 am

*Burton Manor
27777 Schoolcraft Road
Livonia, Michigan*

Program

Welcome - President Lucie Witte
Mistress of Ceremonies - Laura Thomas
The Invocation - Rev. Dan Howard
Introduction of the Lutheran Women of the Year
Salute to Women of the Year - Andrew Sohn
Introductions of guests & Board members
President's Remarks
Table Prayer - Rev. Tyler Cronkright
Luncheon
We Return Thanks
Inspirational Speaker - Dr. Paul Maier
Benediction and Closing Prayer -
Rev. Dr. David Stechholz

Please...

If for any reason you cannot remain until our 2:30 pm closing, please leave the main room before our speaker is introduced.

In previous years some people have left during the presentation which, though not intended, may appear to be a discourtesy to the speaker.

Thank You!

Menu

Tossed Garden Greens
w/Ranch & Italian Vinaigrette on the side

Grilled Chicken Breast
w/ Bordelaise & Scaloppini sauce on the side

Rice Pilaf

Burton Manor Style Carrots

Fresh Baked Bread

Chocolate Mousse

Coffee, Decaf, Hot Tea

Closing Prayer

(Tune: Drawn to the Cross)

In sickness, sorrow, want, or care,
Each other's burdens help us share;
May we, where help is needed, there
Give help as though to Thee.

And may Thy Holy Spirit move
All those who live to live in love,
Till you receive in heav'n above
Those who have lived to Thee.

Lord, bless and keep Thou me as Thine;
Lord, make Thy face upon me shine;
Lord, lift Thy countenance on me
And give me peace from Thee. Amen

Lutheran Women of the Year 2020

Jill Holls	Angelica, Allen Park
Debra Jo Elsholz	Ascension of Christ, Beverly Hills
Letita Body	Bethany, Detroit
Carol Duff	Bethlehem, Roseville
Debbie Cordray	Christ Our Savior, Livonia
Carol Graf	Christ the King, Grosse Pointe Woods
Jean Orvosh	Christ the King, Southgate
Jan Milz	Cross of Christ, Bloomfield
Cormellon Dixon	East Bethlehem, Detroit
Sue Holbrook	Emmanuel, Dearborn
Diane Shay	Grace, Redford
Kathleen Hintz	Guardian, Dearborn
Stephanie Listman	Historic Trinity, Detroit
Joanne Gould Vollbrecht	Holy Cross, Warren
Lois McCarty	Hope, Warren
Linda Davis	Huntington Woods, Huntington Woods
Suzanne Soltess	Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Birmingham
Rebecca Lundgren	Mt. Calvary, Detroit
Amy Sander	Our Redeemer, Washington

Lutheran Women of the Year 2020

Barbara Hynes	Our Shepherd, Birmingham
Janice May	Outer Drive Faith, Detroit
Sandra Blair	Prince of Peace, Farmington Hills
Cathy Hardy	Salem, Westland
Angela Wenz	St. John, Fraser
Stephanie Krueger	St. John, Taylor
Linda Strausbaugh	St. Luke, Ann Arbor
Pamela Kulczycki	St. Luke, Clinton Township
Ann Marie Confer	St. Matthew, Westland
Shirley Mills	St. Michael, Wayne
Rita McClathey	St. Paul, Royal Oak
Debbie Smith	St. Paul, St. Clair Shores
June Brown	St. Paul, Sterling Heights
Michele Madigan	St. Peter, Eastpointe
Brenda Schwark	St. Peter, Macomb
Sharon Ramsey Young	St. Philip, Detroit
Caroline Henze	St. Thomas, Eastpointe
Dawn Kivimaki	Shadow of the Cross
Kathy Zappitell	Trinity, Utica
Shirley Cross	Zion, Detroit

Lutheran Women of the Year 2020

Inter-congregational Organizations

Bethany Mrosko	Camp Restore Detroit
Ruth Aufdemberge	Concordia University Guild
Barbara Hill	Wellspring Auxiliary #2
Alice Mueller	Lutheran High North Parents Team
Jennifer Teeling	Lutheran High School Northwest
Sue Baval	Lutheran High Westland Boosters
Janet Stechholz	Lutheran Special Education Ministries
Andrea Anderson	LWML English District Greater Detroit Zone
Deborah Dugan	MOST Ministries
Ruby Yousef	POBLO

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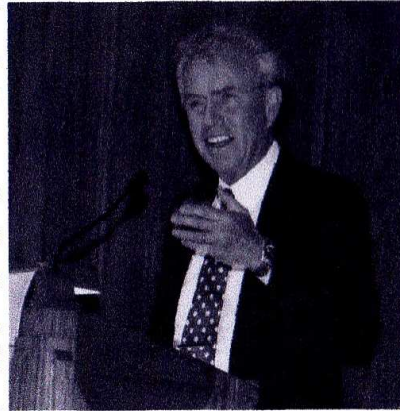
8th grade students from Guardian, Dearborn for carrying donations from the door to the packing point.

Gary Tafoya (GRT Photographic, Richmond) for giving of his time and talent to photograph our special honorees.

Sam's Florist for preparing the flowers.

Speaker - Dr. Paul L. Maier

Dr. Paul Luther Maier is Professor of Ancient History (em.) at Western Michigan University, a four-term Vice President of the Lutheran Church-- Missouri Synod, and a much-published author of both scholarly and popular works. He was born in St. Louis, MO, and is the son of Lutheran Hour founder, Walter A. Maier.



In 1958 he was ordained into the ministry as campus chaplain to Lutheran students at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo, MI. Two years later, he was invited onto the History faculty at Western, where he taught and researched for the next 50 years.

In his writings he originated two new literary genres: the documentary historical novel, and the theological thriller. His novels include two historical documentaries: *Pontius Pilate* and *The Flames of Rome*, as well as a theological thriller that became # 1 national bestseller in religious fiction in 1994, *A Skeleton in God's Closet*. The sequels, *More Than a Skeleton* and *The Constantine Codex* completed the trilogy. His non-fiction works include *In the Fullness of Time*, *Josephus – The Essential Works*, and *Eusebius -- The Church History*. Maier's latest work is a new edition/commentary on Foxe's Book of Martyrs, of the Reformation Era. About four million Maier books are now in print, many translated into twenty languages, as well as over 250 scholarly articles and reviews in professional journals.

He married his wife, Joan in 1967, and they have four daughters: Laura, Julie, Krista and Katie, all of whom live in southwestern Michigan.

His books and tapes are available to purchase at his table in the hallway.

Scholarship Recipients, 2019 - 2020

Jakob Andrzejewski

Ft. Wayne - 4th yr - Historic Trinity, Detroit

John Baseley

Ft. Wayne - 2nd yr - Emmanuel, Dearborn

Dane Breitung

Ft. Wayne - 2nd yr - Emmanuel, Dearborn

Jacob Childers

St. Louis - 1st yr - Christ the King, Southgate

Tyler Cronkright - ordained in January 2020

St. Louis - 3rd yr - SMP - Christ Our Savior, Livonia

Nick Gapski

Ft. Wayne - 1st yr - St. Peter, Eastpointe

Richard Grunewald

St. Louis - 2nd yr - GPC - Faith, Troy

Nathaniel Konkel

Ft. Wayne - 2nd yr - Christ the King, Southgate

Matthew Lorenz

St. Louis - 3rd yr - St. Peter, Macomb

Hayden Lukas

St. Louis - 3rd yr - Trinity, Utica

Scholarship Recipients, 2019 - 2020

Michele Madigan (Deaconess)

Ft. Wayne - 2nd yr - St. Peter, Eastpointe

Andrew Simpson

St. Louis - 4th yr - Faith, Troy

Dylan Thomas Smith

Fort Wayne - 3rd yr - Christ the King, Southgate

Jacob Smith

St. Louis - 3rd yr - St. John, Fraser

Leona B. Meyer Memorial Scholarship

Hannah Biermann - Grand Blanc, MI

Concordia University - Ann Arbor, 3rd yr

Family Life

John C. Streit Memorial Scholarship

Paige Rebber - Antwerp, OH

Concordia University - Ann Arbor, 3rd yr

Traditional Parish Music & Pre-Deaconess

Council Board of Directors 2019

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Past Council Presidents

Leona Meyer 1964-1968
Helen Deierlein 1968-1972
Ruth Wier Goeschel 1972-1976
Dorothy Streit 1976-1980
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Betty Durrenberg Mueller 1984-1988
Maryann Brueggeman 1988-1992
Betty Durrenberg Mueller 1992-1996
Lucille Kers 1996-2000
Pearl Odren 2000-2004
Doris August 2004-2008
Judy Wargo 2008-2010
Janice Bronsted 2010-2014
Barb Collins 2014-2018

Annual Luncheon Committee

Seating - Barbara Karowich

Woman of the Year Awards - Gina Davidson

Hospitality - Sheri Comeford

Program Booklet - Barb Collins

Registration - Candie Sionkowski

Hostesses

Ann Brooks, Claudia Crawford, Charlon Franke,
Laurene Griffin, Pinnie Hall, Nancy Howard,
Shirley Klawender, Karen Linzing,
Barbara Szymanski

2020-2021 Activities

Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend:

Spring Meeting

Monday, April 27, 2020

9:15 am

Mt. Calvary, Detroit

CLW Updates, Luncheon, and Presentation
of Camp Restore with tours

Mission Focus - Fall Meeting

Monday, September 28, 2020

9 am

Faith, Troy

Lutheran Ministry Organizations
in S.E. Michigan
Luncheon and CLW Updates

Council of Lutheran Women Luncheon

Tuesday, March 16, 2021

Macomb College Sports & Expo Center, Warren

Speaker - Jan Struck, humorist

Recognition of the Women of the Year

Council of Lutheran Women President's Report - 2019

The Council of Lutheran Women celebrated its 55th anniversary at the annual Council of Lutheran Women Luncheon in March. At the luncheon 48 women from member organizations were honored as their Women of the Year. The speaker following lunch was Gayle Sommerfeld, co-founder of Mission Opportunities Short Term (MOST Ministries) and author of "Beyond Sight", the story behind the founding of this ministry. The proceeds of the luncheon along with generous support from Church Extension Fund, Thrivent and other organizations and individuals made it possible to award scholarships to 14 seminarian students including one deaconess student and two young women preparing for professional church work careers at Concordia University-Ann Arbor.

The Council continues to support several mission projects. Each year layettes are prepared and given to organizations that serve mothers in need of assistance. Over \$860 was shared with Detroit Lutheran Food Banks, along with contributions of food and paper products, personal hygiene items, clothing and many other items needed by several of our inter-congregational members of the Council such as Camp Restore Detroit, Family of God, Gifts for All God's Children, MOST, and Poblo. The Council website has been focusing on these inter-congregational groups and their needs to keep our membership better informed on how we can support these groups.

The Executive Committee and the Board of Directors met five times during the year to plan the activities of the Council. The Council thanks the hosting congregations in 2019: Emmanuel, Dearborn; St. Matthew, Westland; Mt. Calvary, Detroit; St. Peter, Macomb; Huntington Woods Lutheran and Holy Cross, Warren.

The Council faces new challenges as congregations close or merge, resulting in fluctuations in our membership. We continue to welcome new organizations into the Council as well as new avenues for funding. Our first year as a recipient of Thrivent Choice Dollars has resulted in \$491 to date. We continue to offer a Sponsorship Program for anyone wishing to contribute towards the funds for scholarships. Please visit our website (clwmichigan.com) to learn more about these opportunities to support the efforts of the Council.

The Council is thankful to our Lord for all the women who serve in our churches, homes, and communities. With gratitude to our Lord for His bountiful blessings, we pray for His continued guidance of our efforts.

Joining you in His service,
Lucie Witte, President

Seminarian Sponsorships

We thank each one of our sponsors whose donations will go to support our scholarship program for seminarians.

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Daryl and Lucie Witte

Glen Eden Lutheran Memorial Park

Bronze Circle

Holy Cross Classic Cruisers - Warren

Doug and Linda Conger

*Angelica Lutheran Church of Allen Park
congratulates Jill Holls as its
Woman of the Year,
in appreciation for her faithful and
dedicated service, to our congregation
and community.*

***Bethany Mrosko
May God continue to bless the
remainder of your training as you
prepare to serve the church-at-large.
Camp Restore Detroit***

***CONGRATULATIONS!
CORMELLON DIXON
OUR 2020 Woman of the Year
As our Children's Director, we thank the
Lord for your faithful servant heart. Your
testimony of faith shows in the many
ways you touch the hearts of our kids.
May the Lord bless you as you have blessed
them! East Bethlehem Lutheran
Handmaidens, Detroit***

*Stephanie Listman is most generous with her time!
Years of working with the Sunday School at Historic
Trinity and various other church projects. She is
indeed worthy of this honor.*

*Congratulations Joanne Gould Vollbrecht!
Holy Cross, Warren, thanks you for your
many years of faithful service to various
ministries, especially the
New Hope Food Pantry and
Lutheran World Relief Quilters.*

*Lois McCarty is a volunteer after God's own heart.
She always cheerfully accepts the call for cooking,
cutting, tutoring, teaching, assisting, and
encouraging with love.*

*Jean Orvosh,
Thank You for all you do!
Christ the King Lutheran Church - Southgate*

Congratulations, Deborah Dugan!
MOST Ministries' Woman of the Year
We celebrate and thank God for your faithful acts
of service and dedication to sharing the Gospel with
lost and hurting people all over the world.
"Well done, good and faithful servant."

Rebecca Lundgren
May you continue to be a blessing to your
family and your church community.
Mt. Calvary, Detroit

Congratulations Janice May
It's an honor to have you as our
2020 Woman of the Year.
As a quiet spirit-filled servant for our Lord you
eagerly help whoever, whenever and wherever
needed. You're a blessing to your family, friends
and church with characteristics of the woman
described in Proverbs 31.
Outer Drive Faith Lutheran Church

*God's Blessings to June Brown
Our Woman of the Year
Your faithful service is an inspiration to us!
St. Paul Women Serving Christ
Sterling Heights*

*Caroline Henze
is a beautiful God-fearing woman whose
life has been an example of humble service to
her Lord, her church and her family.
We are proud to call her our sister in Christ.
Congratulations from all of us at St. Thomas!*

*St. Thomas, Eastpointe
HIS II Women's Bible Study*

*Congratulations to Pamela Kulczycki!
Pam gives generously of her time constructing quilts for
Lutheran World Relief. She is always willing to lend a
helpful hand with funeral lunches and she lovingly cares
for God's house. Pam is a beautiful example of a faithful
servant and is an active member and past Treasurer of
the St. Luke, Clinton Township Women's Guild*

List of Exhibitors

Dr. Paul Maier

Lutheran Bookstore

Camp Restore Detroit

Concordia University - Ann Arbor

Concordia Seminary, St. Louis

Concordia Theological Seminary, Ft. Wayne

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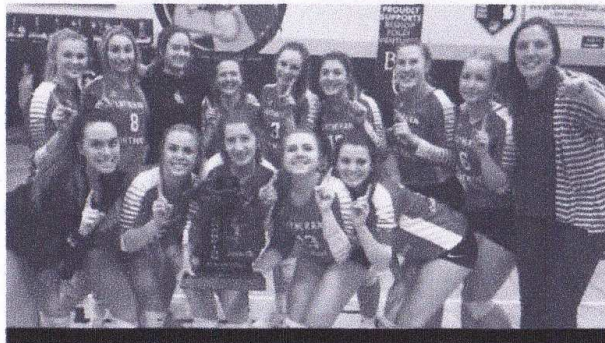
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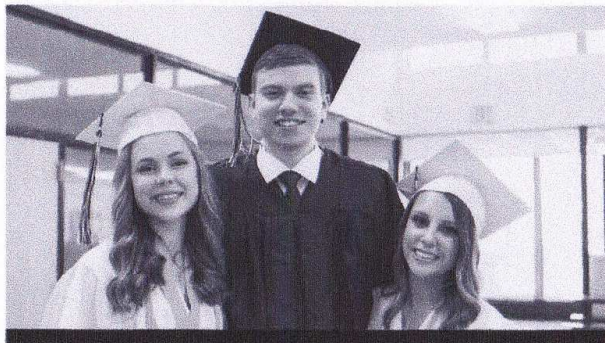
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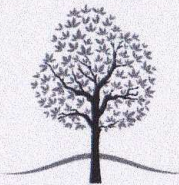


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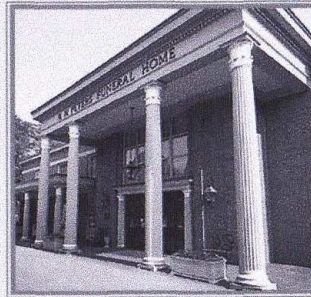
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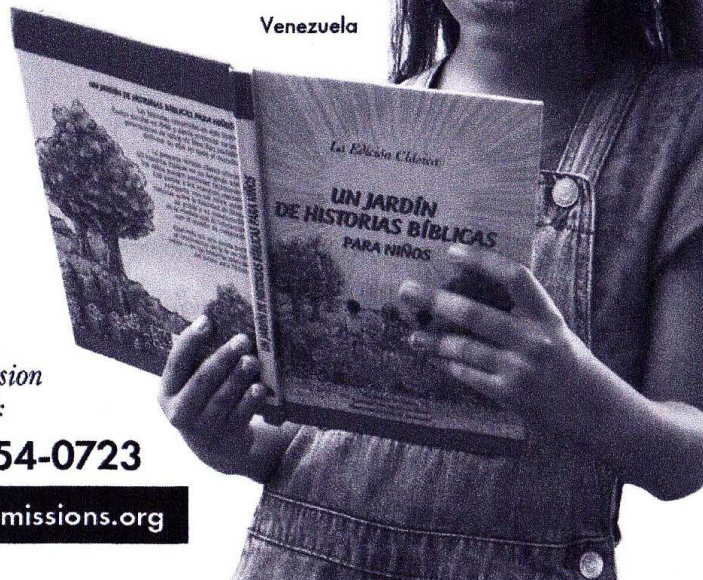
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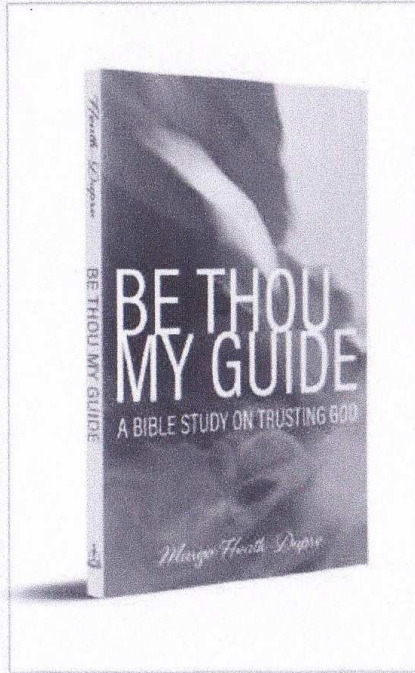
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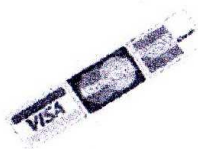
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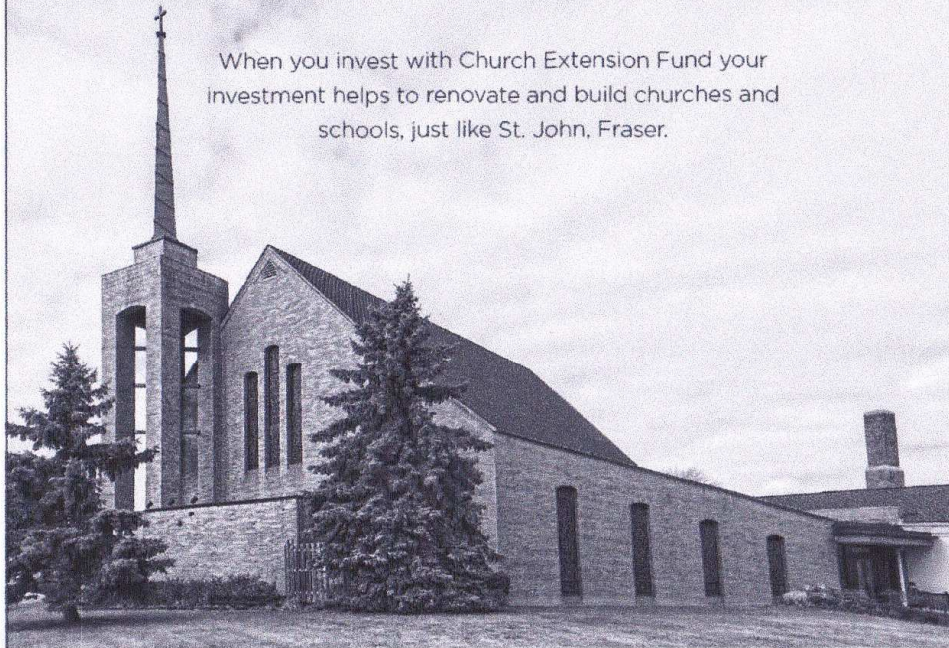
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