

**Vice President of Human Care
Council of Lutheran Women
Report to the General Meeting
April 19, 2021**



PURPOSE: The Human Care Committee shall educate and promote opportunities to serve and contribute to the betterment of those in need.

The Committee serving CLW is:

Vice President of Human Care: Willie Marie Henry, St. John, Detroit	(313.418.2159)
Food Banks Coordinator: Ivy Thompson, St. John, Detroit	(313.300.4269)
Operation Layette Coordinator: Pam Stasko, St. Paul, Royal Oak	(248.418.1152)
Issues and Action Coordinator: Patti Jacques- Faith, Troy	(248-933-7472)
Mission Support Coordinator: Barbara Hoffmeier, St Paul, Northville	(248.756.3035)

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Operation Layette Report

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Thank you to everyone who has donated items.

Operation Layette will hold an assembly evening on Thursday, June 3, 700 pm at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Royal Oak. Social distancing and masks will be required. Please contact Pam Stasko (313-418-1152 or pam.stasko@gmail.com) if you would like more information.

We currently are most in need of the following items (gently used and new):

- Cloth diapers
- Onesies in 3-6 month size
- Sleepers
- Baby wash cloths
- Socks
- Bottles (8-9 ounce and 4 ounce sizes)

If you have supplies and would like to get them to Operation Layette, please contact Pam Stasko to make arrangements for pick up or drop off.

Pam Stasko
Operation Layette

Food Banks of Metro-Detroit: Ivy Thompson

Food banks are a non-profit charitable organization that distributes food to those who have difficulty purchasing enough to avoid hunger. Some food banks operate on the front line model giving out food directly to the hungry. Others operate on the warehouse model, supplying food to intermediaries like food pantries, soup kitchens and other front line organizations.

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The world's first food bank was established in the US in 1967 but at Peace Lutheran, it began in the late 1980's and early 1990's. St. John Lutheran food bank began in 2009. At Peace, the outreach grew and is still growing.

Peace Lutheran Detroit Food Pantry continues to serve the neighborhood around Peace Church faithfully every Tuesday at 11 o'clock. We are blessed to have you continue to partner with our food ministry over the many years. Your support is needed and greatly appreciated. We serve 45 families each week. We have one gentleman, Tony, who is regularly at the pantry. He stopped in two weeks ago to donate \$10.00 and said he is so thankful that we are here because it is the source of his food for the week. We have received 30 to 40 pizzas each week from Pizza Hut over the last three months. This has been a great addition to our giveaway each week. Continue to remember us in your prayers. We are so thankful for your kindness and generosity.

Birdia F. Hambright Coordinator

Peace Lutheran Food Pantry (15700 E. Warren Ave., Detroit 48215) #313.882.3030

The St. John Food Bank is giving thanks to God for enabling us to continue its efforts of feeding the unemployed, working poor, elderly and physically challenged members of our community. We have monthly distributions of non-perishables, meats, dairy and fresh produce. We also provide personal care items when available.

Thank you for your continued support as we service approximately 50 families each month.

Editha D. Barnes, Chairperson

St. John Lutheran Food Pantry (4950 Oakman Blvd., Detroit – 48204) #313-933-9360

Needs: Non-Perishable Dry & Canned Goods (easy to open); Paper products (Kleenex, toilet paper, paper towels); Things for serving food (Styrofoam or paper plates, napkins, cups, plastic ware) Hygiene Items: washcloths & towels; deodorant; toothbrushes & toothpaste; soap & shower gel; Monetary Funding.

We both give glory to God for the assistance.



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Issues & Action Report 4-19-2021

PRAYER FOR OUR NATION: The annual **National Day of Prayer** is **THURSDAY, MAY 6, 2021** www.nationaldayofprayer.org The theme is **Lord Pour Out Your Love, Life and Liberty** taken from 2Corinthians 3:17. Issues & Action urges all CLW churches to set up regular prayer times, Sunday mornings after church each week or monthly or biweekly. Timothy 2:1-3 says to pray for all those who are in authority over us. Pray for our nation, President, local government, military, pastors and staff, educators and our churches.

CELEBRATE LIFE: hold a baby bottle drive, a diaper drive or baby shower for a Crisis Pregnancy Center in your area. Baby Bottles can be distributed on Mother's Day weekend and collected on Father's Day weekend services. Parishioners fill the bottles with cash or checks which support this very worthy ministry, saving the lives of many babies. Lutherans for Life of Michigan is also sponsoring a statewide Diaper Shower from Mother's Day to Father's Day. For details about how to easily participate in the diaper shower visit: www.lflmi.org

Student Statesmanship Institute (SSI) Summer Camps at Spring Arbor University for teens- *"Empowering Teens to Change their World"*-Go to www.ssionline.org **"The LEAD Summer Program is a life-transforming week featuring authentic leadership simulations in the legislative, media, judicial, campaign and business fields under the direction of Christian professionals. During this real-world experience high school students learn valuable life skills such as teamwork, critical thinking, strategic planning and effective communication. While engaged in high-level leadership roles, they are also inspired to apply Biblical and moral principles in their own life and the world around them. Students from all over the United States have attended LEAD, as well as teens from Canada, Mexico, England & Israel.**

For questions contact Patti Jacques, 248-933-7472 pjacques@giftsforallgodchildren.org

Report to the CLW Board of Directors – April 19, 2021 **Human Care Committee** **Mission Support Coordinator: Barbara Hoffmeier**

Mission Focus – Monday, September 27, 2021 - Faith Lutheran, Troy

We have had two planning committee meetings (October 19, 2019 & February 17, 2020.) Committee members: Barbara Hoffmeier, Patti Jacques, Lucie Witte, Barb Collins, Sandy Hardies, Willie Marie Henry.

Schedule:

- 8:30 am Exhibitors arrive to set up
- 9 am Registration begins and exhibits open
- 10 am Short Devotion and event begins
- 12 noon Lunch
- 1 pm Business meeting held – no reports from inter-congregational organizations

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Emcee and Power Point coordinator will be Barbara Hoffmeier.

Member organizations will be allowed podium time – nonmembers will be invited to display.

- Barbara to write letter of invitation for exhibitors in April.
- Barb to send out the letter and receive their responses in May.
- There will be a booklet with information about each organization and will be distributed at registration.
- Logos of the organization will be displayed on screen if not using PowerPoint or videos.

Key dates:

- Annual Luncheon (March 23, 2021) – Slide prepared on the event with audio background.
- Spring General Meeting (April 19, 2021) – a flyer to begin the publicity – Then CLW E-News.
- Publicity included in Michigan District LCMS newsletters and email blasts

Ingathering may be dropped off at the door.

- Some students will be needed to assist in the moving, sorting and packing of the ingathering from 9 am to 10 am.
- Patti to check a local homeschool group to inquire whether they would be interested in helping to move, sort and pack the items.

The Events Committee will be responsible for organizing the food for breakfast and lunch because Faith doesn't have a women's group to do it. Use Thrivent Action cards for food.

- Hostesses and greeters will be needed for the doors and the hallways. Men for parking lot duty.
- Signage will be needed for both outside and inside.
- Suggested food for the morning: small yogurts, fruit, small bagels, mini cream cheese, coffee, tea
- Suggested food for lunch: Contact Trinity, Utica about the person there that does sandwiches for a reasonable price. Paper products will be needed.

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