



**Michigan District President Davis shares insights from first term**

Rev. David A. Davis, 13th president of the Michigan District, earned a B.A. from Concordia University Ann Arbor in 1979 and an M.Div. from Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, Mo. In 1983. Since his ordination,



Rev. Davis served as pastor of four different congregations, all in Michigan. He has served in various LCMS leadership positions, planted congregations,

developed a multicultural ministry, led non-profit governance seminars, developed mentoring processes, wrote leadership development materials, and facilitated meetings and retreats. He authored a book, *Toward Significance: A Guide For Pastoring Well*, and has a blog with the same name ([towardsignificance.com/blog](http://towardsignificance.com/blog)).

Rev. Davis will speak at the **Council of Lutheran Women Annual Luncheon on Tuesday, March 25th at 11 a.m. at Crystal Gardens located at 16703 Fort Street in Southgate.** Please encourage your congregation to join you in donating ingathering items for our mission partners (see [www.clwmichigan.com](http://www.clwmichigan.com) under Opportunities for Participation tab). Large donation drop-off is located on the east side of the building near the front. Women of the Year registration and donation sorting and packaging will be in the VIP Room.

Reservations are open on the Eventbrite link on the CLW website homepage ([clwmichigan.com](http://clwmichigan.com)). The cost of \$38.00 per attendee will help to cover event expenses and scholarships. You may contact Candie Sionkowski at 734-323-8008 for assistance.

The luncheon provides an opportunity to meet representatives of inter-congregational organizations in the display area and contribute in-gathering items to service organizations supported by the Council.

**Operation Layette has new home and new coordinator**

Longtime member Nora Baars is the new coordinator for CLW's Operation Layette. Hope Lutheran Church in Warren is the new site for storage and layette assemblies. We thank God for Nora's dedication as she begins her service in this role.



**Have you been praying about a new opportunity to serve?**

All Council of Lutheran Women church and member representatives will receive a letter from the nominating committee asking for nominations for Vice President of Events, Vice President of Communications and Recording Secretary. Please consider how you might be equipped to serve in one of these roles. Candidates will appear on the election ballot at the CLW Spring 2025 meeting and those elected will serve terms of two years.

If you are interested in learning more about these board positions, their descriptions and responsibilities are published in Article VI of the CLW Bylaws posted on the About Us tab on our website ([clwmichigan.com](http://clwmichigan.com)).

**Twenty-one students receive 2024-2025 CLW scholarship awards**

The Council of Lutheran Women announced the following Seminary student scholarships at its Fall meeting: Martin Banks, St. Michael-Wayne; Josh Britton, Trinity-Utica; Patrick Brooks, Christ the King-Southgate; Noah Dunsmore, Faith-Troy; William Ebel, St. John-Fraser; Henry Eising, St. Paul-Royal Oak; Justin Goodrich, Trinity-Utica; James Gramzow, Ascension of Christ-Beverly Hills; Aaron Halboth, Grace-Redford; Alex Hinojosa, Emmanuel-Dearborn; Luke Konkel, Christ the King-Southgate; Lucas Moody, St. Matthew-Westland; Matt Nelson, Trinity-Utica; Alex Ogden, Historic Trinity-Detroit; Angela Post, St. Luke-Ann Arbor; Frederick Quitmeyer,

Christ Our Savior-Livonia; Sean Sheppard, Trinity-Utica; Adam Thiel, St. Michael-Wayne; Jason von der Lage, St. Peter-Macomb.

The Leona M. Meyer Scholarship recipient is junior Anastasia Brown (St. Peter-Macomb), an Elementary Education major pursuing her Lutheran Teacher Diploma. The John C. Streit Scholarship recipient is senior Abigail Landskroener (Trinity-Toledo, OH), an Elementary Education major with a minor in Early Childhood Education. Both students are studying at Concordia University Ann Arbor in full time church work programs.

**Welcome to new CLW members:**

**Lutheran Braille Workers**

**Pan de Vida Lutheran Church**

and

**CLW Meeting Manager/Food Bank Coordinator**

**Megan Schultz**

**CLW Spring 2025 Meeting: Registration information**

CLW's Spring meeting and elections will be held on Monday, April 28, 2025 at a location to be determined. Registration through the Eventbrite link will be posted on the CLW website homepage one month prior to the meeting. No cost to attend; lunch is provided with a free will offering.

Remember to designate your Thrivent Choice dollars to Council of Lutheran Women by March 31, 2025. Thank you!