

Council of Lutheran Women



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Greetings in Christ,

My name is Kristen Burke, and I have the privileged position of Development Coordinator for the Council of Lutheran Women (CLW). Allow me to provide some history as to what the Council of Lutheran Women is: It is a Christ-centered group of women from approximately 50 Lutheran churches and 20 Lutheran organizations in the metro Detroit area who volunteer their time in local Lutheran education and social ministry organizations and raise awareness and financial support for the education of future Lutheran pastors, deaconesses and church workers. We are a federated membership organization with 501(c)(3) status that participates together toward the same goals and this organization is the only one of its kind throughout the United States of America.

The Council of Lutheran Women hosts an Annual Luncheon which honors women who have been prayerfully chosen by each church and organization for outstanding volunteer service in their ministry. This year the CLW will be celebrating 61 years of service, and the luncheon will take place on Tuesday, March 25, 2025, at Crystal Gardens Banquet Hall, 16703 Fort Street, Southgate, MI.

The Annual Luncheon is the primary fundraiser for scholarships awarded to seminary students from member churches and church work students attending college. In 2024, CLW was able to support 19 seminarian men and women attending seminary and two college church work students by providing each with a \$600.00 scholarship. It is our goal and honor to support these men and women who have been called to ministry to share and teach the Gospel to future generations. CLW is passionate about raising awareness to support this ministry.

I am reaching out to ask if you would be willing to support the financial goals of the 2025 Council of Lutheran Women Annual Luncheon. There are three ways that you can contribute to this event:

- Advertise your business or church in the 2025 luncheon booklet.
- Choose a sponsorship level, or
- Recognize a special person with an honorarium or memorial.

Financial donations are tax deductible to the full extent permitted by law. Please visit our CLW website at CLWMichigan.com to learn more

about our ministry.

Thank you in advance for your prayerful consideration to financially support this ministry. Please email Kristen1752@gmail.com, or text (248) 379-6743, and I will be happy to answer any and all questions you may have.

Sincerely,
Kristen M. Burke

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About the Council of Lutheran Women

The Council of Lutheran Women is an auxiliary of the Lutheran Center Association and was founded in 1964 through the efforts of Lutheran Center Association director Rev. Kenneth Lindsay and a group of interested LCMS women. The Council is a federation of Detroit metropolitan area Lutheran Women's organizations. Members share vital concerns and combine their efforts to exert on these concerns a strong Christian witness in word and deed.

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