

# Ohio District Edition — ODE

## Lutheran Woman's Quarterly

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### Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML)

#### Keep, Donate or Discard?

It was time. The drawers squeaked and fell off their metal rails. The doors banged and refused to stay shut. The finish was worn, dull, dirty, and scratched. After years of much use and benign abuse, the kitchen cupboards needed to be replaced. Considering the purpose of kitchen cabinets, it can definitely be said that they served their purpose as convenient and useful storage.

Just like everything taken out of the old cabinets, our lives are filled with "stuff." Stuff not necessarily useful, but which we keep. My stuff is being sorted into three piles: keep, donate or discard.

Consider people in our lives. They are all ages and many are hurt, broken, sad, lonely, and lost. They were born for a purpose, but they either never found their purpose or lost their way in looking for it and they probably feel they are worthless. But we have the opportunity to reach out and touch them to show them they do have a purpose, are of much value, and are NOT disposable. This is our individual mission field. LWML is a vehicle through which we serve to touch many people through our joint efforts in supporting mission grants, working at servant events and sharing in the gifts of love.

On a one-on-one basis, we can reach out in love. We have opportunities to befriend and keep others close in prayer and in contact by calls or cards or visits. Or we can donate them to other friends who can also pray and connect with them. However, we never

discard them, but we sometimes lose touch or must just hand them over to God and keep praying. Our purpose is to share love and the gospel message of hope through our words and actions. The LWML does that through its mites and service by supporting missionaries around the world to assist them to fulfill their purpose in sharing God's word. Isn't that the most wonderfully joyous purpose God gave each of us at birth?

Yes, cupboards serve their purpose. The old ones are now replaced. I smile at the new white cupboards with the shiny white subway tile backsplash that brightens the room and reminds me of the promise that my sins are gone and I am washed clean, as white as snow.

Thank goodness that the new kitchen cost nothing close to the \$2 million LWML Mission Goal that was set for the 2015-2017 biennium, but I know without a doubt that we will meet that as well as the Mission Goal for our district this biennium. God is faithful and I know that the Lord will bless each and every one of us who serve the Lord with gladness in the LWML and in our mission fields. One of my favorite quotes from St. Francis of Assisi is, "Preach the Gospel at all times and when necessary use words." Who is in your personal mission field right now?

*Ann Marie Bellas*

President



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**Overflow your mite boxes with prayers, praise and offerings.**



*Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7*



## The End is Near!!

Have you been watching the news lately? Wars and rumors of wars, ISIS on the move and wreaking havoc in several different countries. Russia (the Bear) seemingly gaining control of the old USSR and taking the lead in the Middle East. Christians killed for simply confessing Christ. Then there are natural disasters of fires, earthquakes, floods, tsunamis, and hurricanes all around the globe taking lives. Within our churches the spiritual battles rage as pews become more and more empty. Then there are the false preachers even preaching about "blood moons" and the demise of Israel as signs that the end is near as the great abyss is being unleashed.

As we look out into the world we often see what seems to be the absence of God or that He is unleashing His almighty righteous judgment on the world through the hands of evil men. It doesn't seem fair, it doesn't seem just. Evil seems to be gaining the upper hand while the church suffers amid all the prosperity preaching, grasping to hold onto few positive thoughts.

Today, many Christians fear the thought of Judgment Day. We must remember that on that day Christ is coming to judge those who have rejected Him and to save those He adopted by faith. God has assured us that there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus (for those who believe that the payment for sin was made by Christ and that He was judged guilty on their behalf on Calvary's tree).

All these worldly happenings are merely the birth pains of something greater to come. All these happenings must be considered in light of the cross. God is in control. All the events in the news are in accordance with God's plan for the world. In fact, the tribulations faced in this life are a constant reminder to Christians that first of all, the presence of sin is in the world and in each of us; and second it reminds us of the promises of Christ concerning our salvation and His return.

Our task as we wait His return is to stop looking up into the sky (or at the news of the day) for there is much work to be done. A work that is urgent. You see, the Savior is near and the world needs to hear His Word - His Word endures forever and gives eternal life so many more with us may also look forward to Judgment Day with joy.

May you have much joy in your journey as you "Walk With Jesus Daily" (WWJD). I thank the women of the

LWML for the continuing efforts of proclaiming to all who will hear of Christ who was crucified for us.

God's peace,  
Rev. Jimmy Riley  
Junior Pastoral Counselor



## What Is Human Care?

Personally, I am more of a 'doer' than a writer but I will attempt to share some thoughts on the question, "What does Human Care mean?" I offer you some perspective from the LWML point of view.

What comes to mind when you hear the words 'Human Care?'

Have you seen someone taking care of a sick child or helping a person who has cancer or maybe Alzheimer's? Perhaps you've seen a person sending 'Get Well', 'Condolence' or 'Thinking of You' cards. What about making a meal or collecting food for those in need or seeing ladies making quilts or putting together kits for Lutheran World Relief? Did your zone have an ingathering to support orphanages overseas? I can see your wheels turning now. And, let us not forget the support we give to our missionaries, church workers and seminarians.

In simple terms these and many other activities represent Human Care – anything that has to do with helping and meeting the needs of others.

Jesus says, *Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it for me* (Matthew 25:40 NIV).

Ladies, this is what Human Care is all about, being God's hands and feet in this world to meet the needs of people. Whether physical, spiritual or emotional, God knows that others need a helping hand in their lives. And at some point, that even includes us 'doers.'

Pat Malas  
Human Care Committee

## We Give Thanks

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church LWML, Columbus, was officially certified as a new society to the LWML Ohio District on Sunday, September 27, 2015 at a special luncheon! We are just thrilled to welcome the women of Prince of Peace. Pictured: President Ann Marie, Society Co-Presidents, Debbie Albrecht (center) and Ann Presley (right).





## My LWML Journey

I have been a Missouri Synod Lutheran my entire life. One evening in 2012, I received a call that would change my life. God had a plan. I just didn't know what that plan was. Esther Carmany called to ask if I would consider attending the 2012 convention in Cuyahoga Falls as a delegate for my congregation. I really didn't know anything about the LWML. After I prayed about it I decided I would attend the convention. It was an amazing weekend that I never will forget. I have met lifelong friends because of the LWML.

Since attending the convention I have become more active in my local society and attended zone events. I served on the LWML Ohio District Leader Development Committee and am currently the committee chairman.

The theme for the coming convention is "It Only Takes a Spark." I'm so thankful for that one call that sparked my interest in LWML. It only takes one conversation to tell another woman about LWML. Do you have a young woman in your congregation who would like to learn more about the amazing things that LWML does? If so, please encourage her to apply to be a Young Woman Representative. Applications will be available from your zone president or on the website:

<http://www.lutheransonline.com/lwmlohiodistrict>

Applications must be submitted by March 31, 2016.

My favorite Bible verse is, *For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future* (Jeremiah 29:11 NIV). I am very thankful that God had a plan for me.

*Stephanie Petee*

*Leader Development Committee Chairman*

## Bridge Ministry Update

The Bridge Ministry is one of our current Mission Grant recipients. The staff and volunteers minister to homeless and impoverished people in the Over-the-Rhine area of Cincinnati. The Bridge Ministry works to demonstrate God's love for them by listening, offering a safe and supportive environment, providing referrals, mentoring, Bible study, prayer and fellowship. Their homeless guests are referred to as associates. The following was provided by Julie Mills, who is the coordinator of the program.

"Sisters & brothers in Christ, we at the Bridge Ministry thank God for you and for your faithful mite giving and prayers. *The king answered them, I can guarantee this*

*truth: Whatever you did for one of my brothers or sisters, no matter how unimportant [they seemed], you did for me* (Matthew 25:40 GWT).

"Blessings continue to flow at the Bridge Ministry at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church. We are thankful to be able to spend time in Bible study, prayer and fellowship with our associates and volunteers. The summer months have brought us many volunteers, including a Franciscan seminary student and youth groups from several states. They came in groups of between five and seven youth and enjoyed spending time with associates who stopped by. While they were here to serve and assist, I cannot think of a better way to serve than to spend time with someone who may need someone to talk with. We have a closet full of games which allow us to relax together and relate to each other in a common activity.

"One of our young volunteers (I'll call her Ann, not her real name), approached me and said, 'I can relate to the homeless because I too have been homeless.' She continued to tell her story of being twelve years old with three younger siblings, being their mother as her own mother was an addict who was unable to care for any of them. She spoke of going to bed hungry, of broken promises, of being placed in a shelter for children when her mother was in prison. Then she said, 'I thank God, because without enduring all the pain and suffering, I would not be the person I am today.' She and her sisters have since been adopted, but Ann's story continues. One of our new associates had just shared with me that morning about getting out of prison and seeing her three young children for the first time since being released and how they cried when she left them again as she does not have custody. I shared her story with Ann who agreed to speak with her, to share her firsthand account of what life was like as a child dealing with an addictive parent. Though we may never know if this conversation makes a difference in our associate's life, Ann said, 'As hard as it is to share, I want to somehow help, and if sharing my story helps just one mother or father change, then I know my early life had a purpose and I will continue to thank God for what I endured.'

God mightily uses our life experiences. We at The Bridge Ministry are humbled by the opportunities God places in front of us to be his hands and feet, as well as to learn from those the world may see as the least."

*Karyl VanMeurs-Juergens*

*Vice President of Gospel Outreach*



## The Inevitability of Change

People, weather, and world ideas change. However, one thing remains constant. God says, *I the LORD do not change* (Malachi 3:6 ESV). For that we are thankful. As we age and experience change in our desires, interests and even in our faith, we know God's consistency is there. We need only ask the Holy Spirit for His strengthening and assurance.

Previously, LWML Ohio District Structure Committee was called Bylaws Committee. Regardless of the name, procedures to amend bylaws remain the same. Send zone and society amendments to the Structure Committee for approval. Bylaws change primarily because technology and group composition changes. Once we had enough women to fill the various positions required by our bylaws. Now we often need to add the phrase, "if possible."

Until June of 2016, your Structure Committee (Denice, Carol and Janet) will, with God's blessing, remain constant. So send your zone or society bylaws amendments for committee approval to Structure Committee Chairman, Janet Guda at:

[janet.guda@yahoo.com](mailto:janet.guda@yahoo.com).

For help, see Robert's Rules at [www.robertsrules.org](http://www.robertsrules.org) for quick reference or the LWML website at [www.lwml.org/bylaws](http://www.lwml.org/bylaws) for additional suggestions.

Serving our unchangeable God,  
Carol Eigenbrod  
Structure Committee Member

## Webmaster Alert!

**Effective December 31, 2015, Lutheransonline is no longer hosting websites. Watch for coming news!**

Do you have a zone event you want listed on the LWML Ohio District website calendar? Please send all pertinent information to [blelle@roadrunner.com](mailto:blelle@roadrunner.com).

**Who?** Zone name, contact person

**What?** Event name, registration information, theme

**Where?** Church name and full address (Calendar events can have a map/directions link if this is provided)

**When?** Date including the starting time and ending time (if specific) – Calendar events default to "all day" unless a starting time is specified.

**Copy** Karen Shanahan, ODE Editor, [kesjr@att.net](mailto:kesjr@att.net), she will add the dates to the events calendar.

Until December 31, 2015, check the LWML Ohio District website for upcoming events at:

[www.lutheransonline.com/lwmlohiodistrict](http://www.lutheransonline.com/lwmlohiodistrict).

Billie Lelle  
Webmaster

## With Grateful Hearts

We give thanks for our sister in Christ, Joy Dougherty, who now rests eternally in the arms of Christ. Joy served as the LWML Ohio District President from 2008 – 2012. We are grateful for her loving, faithful service in our district as well as the LWML Recording Secretary. We appreciate prayers for Joy's husband, John, and her family as they mourn the loss of their wife, mother, and grandmother.



## Mitey Mites

Who will give me a penny? Who will give me ten pennies? How about twenty-five pennies? Thus the call went out at the Columbus-based Concordia Lutheran Church picnic in early September. And such a response was received!

Looking for innovative ways to encourage both mite-giving and mite-awareness, a first ever Auction for Mites became a part of the annual church picnic. Members donated items to be auctioned. An enthusiastic auctioneer with a spry sense of humor made the bidding fun for both young and old alike.



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(2 Corinthians 9:7 NIV). Church members smiled and laughed as they opened their wallets and made the LWML Mitey Mites Can ring out in jubilation as pennies, quarters and even dollars were dropped into the can. Humming a hymn line, "Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold," members donated \$69.70.

Mite giving became fun at Concordia! Be creative with mite giving. Thinking outside the box is great as long as the pennies go inside the box. Share your creative ideas with the Christian Life Committee who will then share with others throughout the district. Don't delay - NOW IS THE TIME!

Diana Schnack  
Vice President of Christian Life



## In the Beginning: LWML Sunday

Growing up I fell in love with history when my second grade teacher read us Laura Ingalls Wilder's book series *The Little House on the Prairie*. I went straight to the public library to learn more about this girl and her family's real adventures in pioneer times. I was fascinated with her and the fact that she really existed. It was thrilling that her books were partially based on some real events.

As I have gotten older my love for the LWML has grown! I think it is fantastic that our church sets aside one Sunday just for LWML! It makes me feel special. It makes me want to do something for someone else. It encourages me to pray for all the women who participate. It makes me feel like I am a part of something that is outside my own church walls!

So I was intrigued just like when I was in second grade...I want to know more. How did it all start with dedicating one Sunday a year? When did it happen? Well, fellow history lovers, the first LWML Sunday was October 1, 1967. In an excerpt taken from the book *WINGS: Women In God's Service* by Marlys Taege, you will read how it all began:

"Sunday, October 1, 1967, the first LWML Sunday was indeed held. There was only time to produce a letter to all pastors and societies explaining that LWML Sunday was to be a window through which could be seen the mission and serve in His Name. Pastors were asked to have a prayer for LWML, and some prayer thoughts were included. From that simple beginning came a response from many societies and pastors that helped formulate ideas for LWML Sundays in the years ahead."

Our congregation continues this recognition of the LWML Sunday still today. I love figuring out which purple shirt or sweater I should wear, does my daughter have her purple dress on? I also love hearing people sitting near me as the pastor presents the information on the thousands of dollars going to missions. As I sit in my seat holding my Mite Box full of just mere pennies, I hand it to my daughter, who is three, and nudge her to walk with me to the front to give so that the Gospel of Jesus Christ can spread, that is how October 1, 1967, has affected me today! Soli Dei Gloria!

*Caroline Honeycutt*  
Archivist/Historian

## LWML Sunday

Summer is quickly passing and soon fall activities will be upon us. LWML Sunday is one of these fall events. The theme this year is *Seek First the Kingdom of God* based on Matthew 6:26, 32b, 33 ESV. Please

encourage your church to observe LWML with the use of this service. All of the resources for LWML Sunday are available as FREE downloads on [www.LWML.org](http://www.LWML.org). Many of us celebrate LWML on the first Sunday in October, however any Sunday which fits on your church's calendar is fine.

We are all about Missions. At the June LWML Convention in Des Moines, the delegates passed a new Mission Goal of \$2 million. Please remember to fill those boxes with coins and paper—along with prayers that the Lord blesses our mission projects.

*Ruth Mowery*  
Director of Public Relations

*We warmly invite you to attend the*

### *26th Biennial LWML Ohio District Convention!*

Hosted by: Cincinnati Zone  
When? June 24-26, 2016  
Where: Cincinnati North Union Centre  
6189 Muhlhauser Road, West Chester, OH 45069  
Convention Theme: "It Only Takes a Spark"  
inspired by Luke 24:32 (NIV), *Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?*

### *Be a Delegate*

*By Peggy Kelm, Host Committee Co-Chairman*



The Cincinnati Zone will host the LWML Ohio District Convention at the Cincinnati North Union Centre hotel in West Chester, off I-75 at Union Centre Boulevard, north of I-275. We are expecting approximately 300 Sisters in Christ from all the LWML societies in Ohio, Northern Kentucky and western West Virginia. It will be exciting, inspiring, and the culmination of a generous year and half of planning. Remember to start planning your zone banner. Your Zone President will be providing parameters for the banners soon. Each LWML society can send two delegates and designate two alternates. These women are the ones who will vote for all necessary convention business, including bylaws amendments, mission grants and election of officers.

So get excited! Be included! Be a delegate from your church, or even an alternate.



## Northeast Zone Fall Retreat – a Musical Experience

*Char LePere for Northeast Zone*

Martin Luther himself once said, "Next to the Word of God, the noble art of music is the greatest treasure in the world." *Speak to My Heart with Music* (Ephesians 5:18b-19 KJV) was the theme of the LWML Northeast Zone 23rd Annual Fall Retreat held September 26. All were welcomed by Retreat Chairman, Ruth Mowery. As only she can, Jeanne Schimmelmamm told a story about meeting angels unawares. Retreat Committee members June Taylor, Raye Guynn, Gayle Hunt and Char LePere, joined in a skit to highlight that we continue serving and praising even under difficult circumstances.

The tone for the day was set with a musical presentation using local talent: vocal trio, solo trumpet with a variety of musical styles, contemporary praise songs, and a hand bell ensemble. Billie Lelle led a session on "Vitamin Music," pointing out how music comforts us and lifts our spirits; June Taylor's session focused on Hope; and Pastor Kevin Guynn's session showed the beauty of the Psalms and also how we join with ALL creation in praising God. Profits from our auction of music CD's went to a monetary ingathering for Our Shepherd Lutheran School in Painesville and Mites. Ladies enjoyed craft sessions and made: purple scarves, witness jewelry for MOST Ministries, and lap blankets for chaplains. Gayle Hunt, President, gave zone updates and President Ann Marie Bollas, "at home" in our zone, brought district greetings.

## Toledo Zone Service Day

*Article and pictures submitted by Lillian Keller*

Thirty-three women of the Toledo Zone gathered for a Human Care Work/Service Day in July, 2015. Several women had pieced four quilts to be completed. These were tied and finished and donated to Orphan Grain Train.

Prepared earlier for knotting, 49 fleece blankets were knotted. They were delivered to a local warehouse for distribution to charities for homeless men and women, a pregnancy center and for disaster relief nationwide and overseas. Enough fleece fabric was purchased to make 90 blankets. A second work day was held in August to finish the tying. We thank the West Lucas County Chapter of Thrivent for providing Care Abounds in Communities for funding the work day projects.

Additionally, some of the women completed 95 witness bracelets. These were taken to MOST Ministries in Ann



Arbor and will go with mission teams to help spread the love of Jesus.

More than 50 women worked on these projects. It was an enjoyable day, friendships were renewed and new ones made.

## Share the Comfort

*Article and pictures submitted by Lillian Keller*

The LWML Toledo Zone Fall Rally was hosted by the ladies of Trinity Lutheran Church, Toledo, Ohio. After a delicious breakfast, the Reverend Mark Love led the opening devotion based on Hosea 1 and 3.

The rally theme was "Sharing the Comfort" from (2 Corinthians 1:4 NIV). The program was about the Comfort Dog Ministry at Trinity. The Trinity Comfort Dog, Anna, was accompanied by several of her handlers and "Top Dog" Nancy Borders. Nancy told us how the Comfort Dog Ministry evolved as a result of Hurricane Katrina. Tim Hetzner, current President of Lutheran Church Charities (LCC), saw how dogs could be used to comfort people who were distressed by unfortunate circumstances, untimely death, disasters, etc., by impacting them with "Mercy, Compassion, Presence and the Proclamation of Jesus Christ."

Anna came to Trinity in July 2015. She is a greeter for Trinity Sunday church services; visits the classrooms at Trinity Lutheran School; visits nursing homes; shops at local stores, and visits many other places in the community. She gets much attention and, if appropriate, Anna's handlers share a prayer and the love of Jesus with people they meet. Nancy said that just seeing Anna brings smiles to many faces. Anna and her handlers have been deployed outside of the Toledo area to assist other Comfort Dogs and their handlers in emergency situations and is available and willing to share her comfort with many.

After the rally, the ladies counted items brought in for the Days for Girls International project ingathering. Additional items were purchased with Thrivent Action Team funds. A total of 1,409 items were counted which included Ziploc bags, bars of soap, washcloths, underwear, and bags used to carry the hygiene items.

Although the day was rainy, there were hugs, smiles and much fellowship among those attending. All enjoyed having Anna at the rally.





## ODE Information

Deadlines for article submissions:

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|--------|-----------|
| Spring | January 5 |
| Summer | April 5   |
| Fall   | July 5    |
| Winter | October 5 |

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|-----------|----------------|---------------|
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Reduce subscription quantity for *Quarterly* or *ODE* ?  
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## Mites Information

Did you know that LWML Ohio District is eligible to receive your Thrivent Choice Dollars? Since the inception of the Thrivent Choice program, our district has received almost \$15,000. Women and men who support us and are Thrivent members can choose LWML Ohio District to be a recipient of those funds.



THRIVENT CHOICE®

If you have tried to direct dollars and have been confused by the number of different LWML names on the list, search **Lutheran Womens Missionary League, Mentor, Ohio (no apostrophe, not Toledo)**. So the next time Thrivent lets you know that you have dollars to direct, consider the LWML! With a national goal of \$2 million for grants in this biennium, those dollars can be a big help.

**Joyful Response®:** To donate mites directly from your checking account each month contact Vivian. She will be happy to send you a Joyful Response® form. It can be set it up quickly.

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## Honors and Memorials

### In Honor of:

Joy Dougherty  
David and Eunice Langner,  
60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

### In Memory of:

Judy Bartholomew  
Karen Cardina  
Joy Dougherty  
Carolyn Greenhagen  
Betty Hoffman  
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Clyde Wimer

## LWML Ohio District Mites Update

2014-2016 Mission Goal \$202,500

April 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015

| Item                    | 7/1/15<br>9/30/15  | 4/1/2014<br>9/30/2015 |
|-------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Mites Received          | \$12,838.51        | \$104,451.75          |
| Stamps for Missions     | 155.89             | 244.02                |
| Thrivent Choice Dollars | 243                | 4,878.00              |
| Convention Offering #1  |                    | 2,986.83              |
| Honor/Memorials         | 1,438.01           | 7,109.43              |
| Quarterlies/ODEs        | <u>816.61</u>      | <u>9,385.65</u>       |
| <b>TOTAL</b>            | <b>\$15,492.02</b> | <b>\$129,055.68</b>   |

Needed to reach Mission Goal: \$ 73,444.32

Needed per month for the next 6 months: \$12,240.72



Lutheran Women's Missionary League  
MISSIONS & MITES

## Calendar of Events

### 2015

|       |                                                             |
|-------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| 11/1  | Daylight Savings Time Ends<br>Set your clocks BACK one hour |
| 11/14 | Napoleon Zone Christian Life Workshop                       |

### 2016

|      |                               |
|------|-------------------------------|
| 1/30 | Central Zone Winter Retreat   |
| 4/2  | Central Zone Spring Rally     |
| 4/30 | Toledo Zone Spring Rally      |
| 6/24 | LWML Ohio District Convention |
| 6/25 | LWML Ohio District Convention |
| 6/26 | LWML Ohio District Convention |

## Mission Grants for 2014-2016

Military Veterans and Family Members Care Provider Training Program \$10,000

Ohio District Student Aid & Recruitment Committee grant for students in training at LCMS seminaries \$15,000

Support for the Center of Refuge Orphanage in Jacmel, Haiti \$10,000

Ohio District Aid & Recruitment Committee grant for students in training for fulltime ministry in the LCMS \$15,000

Care Today - Serve Today in Appalachia \$10,000

Concordia Theological Seminary (Fort Wayne) Food and Clothing Co-op \$10,000

Reaching Out to Lutherans and the Lost (Worship for Shut-ins) \$10,000

Leadership Center for Urban Planting and Mission Development (BHITC) \$5,000

Paintsville Mission Project \$3,000

The Bridge Ministry coordinator salary \$10,000

