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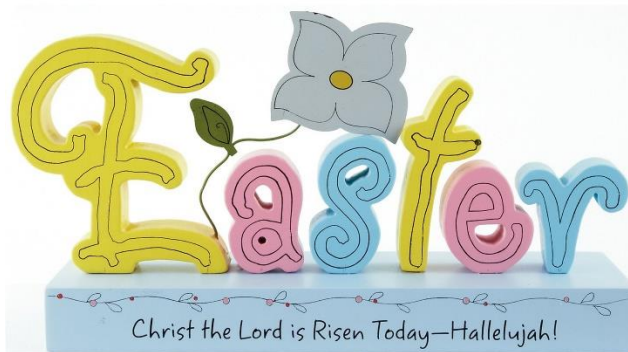
Hope this newsletter reaches you with joy and blessings.

There are a lot of upcoming events such as the “Spring Rally” in May and the LWML Ohio District convention in June. More information is in this newsletter and on the [www.lwmlohio.org](http://www.lwmlohio.org) website.

Please consider attending one of these events as we worship, serve and praise with other Lutherans.

**We are looking for a few, good, women to serve as VP and Human Care. More information about the positions will be addressed at the Spring Rally in May or if you are interested, please contact me at my e-mail below.**

Have a blessed holy week and hope to see you May 7<sup>th</sup> or June 17<sup>th</sup>!



Please feel free to reach out to anyone of your CSWZ representatives!

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The prayer service was held at Bethlehem Lutheran church in Parma. About 26 men and women prayed and meditated using Luke 11:1, “*Lord, Teach us to Pray,*” as the basis of our prayer service.

It looked at various forms of prayer used frequently by believers as we seek to honor Christ, the Lord of the Church, with our prayers.

There was a special mite offering at the end of the service where we collected \$160.00 that will go towards mites. The donation will be a memorial gift in Janice Cisco’s honor who served as our Zone President for over 13 years.

We enjoyed a delicious and generous buffet of food and beverages that was provided by our hosts: Pastor Green and his wife Kathy Green. Thank you to the Green’s and the congregation at Bethlehem Lutheran church for being great hosts!

### Ukraine Strong!



Trinity Helping Ukraine

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Trinity Lutheran Church collected \$900.00 towards relief for our brothers and sisters in Ukraine. They also filled over 700 Easter eggs for their street ministry, food bank, community meal and Building Hope in the

City. Well done faithful servants! If you would like to advertise what your church is doing for others in your community, please send me an e-mail at [juliegresko@gmail.com](mailto:juliegresko@gmail.com).



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A message from the LWML Ohio District President, **Vivian Nelson**

Hello! Are you getting excited about our first concise convention? I am. Our theme

is "**Lord of the Harvest.**" We will meet in **Napoleon on June 17-18.** It will be a very mission-minded event. We have planned great speakers, servant events and interest sessions. It will only last two days and will be a lot less expensive than usual. Every church is eligible to send two delegates to help us select mission projects, elect new officers and maintain our bylaws. Invite a friend to come with you – maybe someone who's never attended an LWML convention - and fill out a [registration form](#) today!



The convention will be held at **St. Paul Lutheran Church, 1075 Glenwood Ave Napoleon, Ohio.** Theme: "**Lord of the Harvest**" For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and to the eater. (Isaiah 55:10)

**Concise Convention:** This is the first ever concise convention. It will be only two days rather than three days. A lot will be happening during those two days. For more information and to get registration information check out LWML Ohio District web page <https://www.lwmlohio.org>.



**The Celebration Worship Communion Service** is on Friday evening begins with pre-music at 6:45 p.m. and will be at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Napoleon. Registration is not required and there is no cost. Everyone is welcome. Encourage families and friends to join in this special service. It will be one of the mountain top experiences of the convention.

**Interest Sessions:** The Lord's Harvest is all around us. Convention goers will have the opportunity to learn about how volunteers are helping in the Lord's harvest field throughout Ohio and beyond.

**Keynote Speaker** will be Rev. Dr. Ryan Peterson of Concordia University in Ann Arbor, MI. **Worship Service Proclaimer** will be our LWML Ohio District Senior Counselor, Rev. Keith Witte and the **Bible Study Leader** will be Rev. Peter Marcis.

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**Looking for a Young Women Representative!**

The Leadership committee is looking forward to meeting young women ages 21-35 throughout the district. Applications and guidelines are available on the LWML Ohio District website, <https://lwmlohio.org> . This is

a great way for young women to learn about LWML and to get ideas to serve within her church or community.

**Zone Delegates Needed!** Our zone is looking for 2-4 delegates to represent the zone at the convention. Your role is to vote on mission projects, elect new officers for the Ohio District and approving any changes to our bylaws.

**Please consider being a delegate or a YWR for our zone. Financial support is available for a YWR and a delegate for this convention.**

**Please contact Julie Gresko at (216) 536-6469 for more information.**

**MAY 7<sup>th</sup> – SPRING RALLY!**

Please join us for the **2022 Spring Rally on Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at St. Marks in Brunswick!**

You will have the opportunity to show your appreciation for our men and women in the military and to our Lutheran Chaplains by writing notes of encouragement and thanks for their services.



There will be an ingathering of newborn diapers. The diapers will go towards "The Oaks" for single unwed mothers. See attached flyer for details!