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Immeasurably More

Happy Thanksgiving! Merry Christmas!! Although it may be a tad early to be sending holiday greetings, the holidays will soon be upon us. We will be searching for our favorite recipes for Thanksgiving dinner. We will be making lists for buying those special unique Christmas presents. We will be planning parties, sending cards, and decorating homes. We will be hustling and bustling getting everything ready to celebrate those favorite holidays with family and friends.

But are we preparing our hearts for the holidays? God has blessed us in so many ways. Have you considered all of God's gifts? Ephesians 3:20 instructs us: *Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.* God's blessings reach beyond our thoughts, dreams, or imaginations. As we prepare for the upcoming holidays, may we thank God for all the special gifts he has given to us.



The gift of daily bread: In the Lord's Prayer, we pray, "give us this day our daily bread." Every day God provides everything we need to live. Daily bread goes beyond food, for it includes such things as clothes and shoes, house and home, money and goods, devout spouses and children, good weather, peace, health, good friends and faithful neighbors. God gives us immeasurably more supplies, people, and resources than we could ever request or need.

The gift of comfort: God blesses us with complete comfort. *Blessed by the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our affliction* (2 Corinthians 1:3, 4a). We can find relief from stress and anxiety as we trust in the Lord. We need the comfort and support of the Lord in all we do and feel. *Casting all your anxieties on him because he cares for you* (1 Peter 5:7). God cares and comforts us immeasurably more than we could ever expect.

The gift of peace: Peace is the state of tranquility and serenity, the feeling of being content and untroubled. Peace is a gift that makes us relax and feel calm. *And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus* (Philippians 4:7). As we face the storms of our lives, Jesus wants us to be at peace because he is in control. He tells us to rest in his arms and rely on his power. God surrounds us with peace immeasurably more than we can ever comprehend.

The gift of forgiveness: We are sinners, daily disobeying God's commandments. However, God forgives our sins because of Jesus' suffering and death. *In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace* (Ephesians 1:7). Jesus took the punishment, and God accepted his death as payment for our sins. God forgives us immeasurably more than we could ever deserve.

The gift of eternal life: We are promised we will be with God in heaven if we trust in the Lord. It is a given fact that we will die, for no one lives forever.



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Support

Ah, Lord GOD! Behold, I do not know how to speak, for I am only a youth (Jeremiah 1:6).

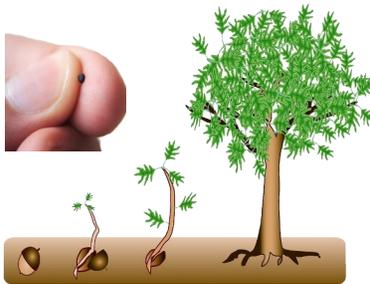
Greetings in the name of the Lord Jesus, from your newly elected Junior Pastoral Counselor. In case you're wondering, I'm 35 years old.

I'm not getting any younger, so I'm using this passage while I still can. However, I am probably not as young as Jeremiah was when God called him. And, thanks be to God, my calling to serve you is not one of delivering stern warnings of God's judgment! Nor do I anticipate the strong animosity that Jeremiah faced from the people of Jerusalem. Instead, I'm called to support you as we work together to accomplish this objective according to the LWML Ohio District bylaws:

To develop and maintain a greater mission consciousness among the women of the LWML Ohio District through MISSION EDUCATION, MISSION INSPIRATION, and MISSION SERVICE.

As good Lutherans, we can ask, "*What does this mean?*" I honestly don't know how to answer that question...yet. However, I will receive some training at the national LWML Assembly of Leaders. Afterwards, I am expected to share that training with various zones within the district. So, we'll probably answer this question together!

One thing I already intentionally did to serve as your pastoral counselor is use and recommend the Mustard Seed Devotions. I went to lwml.org and clicked on "The Word" tab where I signed up for the daily devotions to be sent to my email address.



These devotions are usually based on one Bible verse with a short explanation, a suggestion as to how to live the passage, and a prayer. In the last few weeks, they focused on how to live by God's grace and extend it to others, especially as a parent. This is an especially great devotion for busy moms. Like a mustard seed, the devotions are small in length, but the Word of God brings about wonderful growth. (See what Jesus says in Matthew 13:31-32.) God bless and keep you,

Rev. Keith Witte, Junior Pastoral Counselor



Feed 5000??!!

When pondering what to write about, a dear friend suggested mites. After all, how can you go wrong talking about mites with LWML sisters? Growing up, I remember how important LWML was to my mother. And yes, she had her Mite Box and made regular deposits into it.

Although I did understand the idea of giving and giving with a cheerful heart, I truly did not comprehend what difference a little box of coins could make. That was until I attended my first convention about eight years ago. I was blown away when I understood how many amazing and important mission grants were funded by those little boxes of coins!



I suppose I was like the disciples who in Luke 9, were told by Jesus to find food for the 5000. Their response in verse 13 was, "We have no more than five loaves and two fish." In their hands it was not enough, but in Jesus' hands, the 5000 were fed and 12 baskets of

extra food were left over!

In our hands, it is a little box of coins, but in Jesus' hands they will fund the \$85,000 designated for eight mission grants this biennium! Jesus could have fed those people all on His own, but He wanted the disciples involved in carrying out His plan. Likewise, He wants us to be involved in His mission plans. So, with great joy, fill your Mite Box – over and over – and let our Lord multiply it into great things!

Cathy Fernandez, VP of Christian Life

Immeasurably...

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However, those who believe in God will have eternal life. *For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life (John 3:16).* God's solution to sin and death was the suffering, death, and resurrection of his Son, Jesus Christ. God loves us immeasurably more than we could ever understand.

The gift of joy: Joy is a permanent passion that is not dependent on material wealth, good fortune, an amazing body or the perfect job. Joy is a gift from God. There can be no joy without God. Joy comes from knowing and being known by our Lord. *But the righteous shall be glad; they shall exalt before God; they shall be jubilant with joy! (Psalm 68:3).* God blesses us with joy immeasurably more than we could ever express.

Jeanne Schimmelman, President



It's Orderly

As I write this article, I'm thinking of November and some of the important things happening, which will be old news when you read this article.

During the first part of November is our LWML Ohio District Interdepartmental Meeting. At this meeting all the committees and officers will begin their planning for the 2018-2020 biennium. It will be the first time our new Structure Committee will be meeting. Members for this biennium are Deborah Wesche (Napoleon Zone), Ardyth Gearig (Napoleon Zone), Leslie Lindsey (Miami Valley Zone), and Gloria Schumm (Lima Van Wert Zone).

Some people consider structure to be boring. In the past two years, I have learned a lot and appreciate even more the rules and guidelines LWML has in place. Since our meetings run smoothly, a lot is accomplished.



Also, Thanksgiving is in November, a time when we are reminded of all for which we are thankful: family, friends, LWML, good health, and most importantly, the gift of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

You guide me with your counsel, and afterward you will receive me to glory (Psalm 73:24).

Deborah Wesche, Structure Committee

Pray to Volunteer

Welcome the following lovely ladies to the LWML Ohio District Nominating Committee for 2018-2020:

Diana Schnack, Karen Shanahan, Karyl Vanmeurs-Juergens, Janet Guda, and Hope Boring!



Hope



Diana



Karen



Janet



Karyl

If (or when) we call or email you to consider a particular committee need for 2020, please answer the call through prayer and conversation! If the Holy Spirit tugs at your heart to volunteer, please let us know.

Hope Boring, Nominating Committee

Did You Know...

Each zone has space available on the LWML Ohio District website? Check it out at wmlohio.org.

Coming events can be added to your zone web page and to the site calendar. These events may be zone or church specific.

Please send any information you would like included to Billie Lelle, webmaster, at bllele@roadrunner.com (**subject line LWML**).

Write the article as you want it to appear on the website, but be sure to include:

- ♥ Zone Name
- ♥ The event
- ♥ Church Name and address
(If event is held at a church)
- ♥ Date of the event
- ♥ Starting and ending time

Any other information you would like to share, ie:

- ♥ Speaker
- ♥ Cost
- ♥ Ingathering
- ♥ Project

Finally, if there are changes within your zone (officers or societies) or zone churches (pastors, websites), let me know, I will update the zone information.

Billie Lelle, Webmaster

Help is Here!!



"Oh no!" you say. "It's time for our LWML Spring Rally, Fall Fellowship or Retreat. Date, time, and place are set. Theme is set. Now what do we do? Who is interesting, humorous, inspirational, and willing to be our leader and/or speaker?"

Ponder this question no more! **SERVANT SCHNACK** is here to save the day!!!

Name: Diana Schnack

Title: Active LWMLer and child of God.

Repertoire: Presentations on Hands, Time, Purses, Feet, Music, Building, Friends, Food, Fellowship, Wood, Women of the Bible, Leadership, Strength, Anger, Flowers, Bandages or any suggested topic or scripture.

Qualities: Captivating, Involving, God-inspired, Chocolate

Fee: \$50.00 plus mileage.

Contact: diana.schnack@gmail.com or 614-277-9949



Subscription Reductions Due for Quarterly and ODE

Does your society or church need to **reduce** the number of copies of the *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly* or the *ODE*? Quantity reductions are processed once a year and must be received by March 1 to take effect with the summer 2019 edition.

Please contact Kim Klein at kimkleinLWML@neo.rr.com or 330-297-0855 to decrease (or increase) the quantity of printed/mailed copies of the *Quarterly* or *ODE*.

A PDF version of the *ODE* is available AT NO COST to everyone, not just print subscribers. PDFs can be forwarded by email or printed in your church office. If you want a PDF version, email Kim Klein at kimkleinLWML@neo.rr.com to add your name or your church to the email distribution list.



COULD THIS BE YOU?...

A creative, artistic person who enjoys working with fabric?



You or someone you know could have the honor and privilege of designing and creating the LWML Ohio District banner

for the 2019 LWML Convention in Mobile, Alabama. Submit your design on an 8-½ x 11 sheet of paper with a brief explanation of the design and the intended colors that will be used. The winning designer is responsible for making the banner, which must be ready for shipment by May 20, 2019.

The banner design should be based on the convention theme *In Praise to the Lord* taken from 1 Chronicles 16:23-24a. You **cannot** use the convention logo on the banner, but you may use the convention colors or any other colors you wish.

Submit banner designs no later than **January 15, 2019** to one of the following:

District President, Jeanne Schimmelmann

Jeanne4lwml@yahoo.com

536 Ezmor Lane, Wickliffe, OH 44092

President's Secretary, Char LePere

fatherlepere@sbcglobal.net

8032 Brentwood Road, Mentor, OH 44060

Your Zone President

Banner Specifications include:

- ♥ Finished banner size: 3'x5'
Added fringe can be longer.
- ♥ District name **must be on front** of banner
It can be abbreviated
Any size letters you wish.

Name and contact information of person submitting design must be with design.

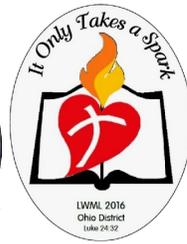
The Board of Directors will select the winning design at the February, 2019 meeting.

The winning designer will be notified after the BOD meeting.

Other instructions for finishing the banner for display will be provided to the selected designer.

Questions? Please contact President Jeanne at the above email or by phone at 440-943-5497.

HELP!



A **logo** is needed for the 2020 LWML Ohio District Convention. The theme of the convention is *Hope fully on God's grace* 1 Peter 1:13. This logo will appear on all convention materials and will be the focus of the convention banner.

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Salt Your Mind and Spirit

Many times we as Christians have been referred to as the salt of the earth (Matthew 5:13a). The LWML Ohio District Human Care committee knows that taking care of yourself is essential in order for you to be able to care for others. This includes all areas of your life: physical, social, spiritual, and emotional.

In this article, you will learn the significance of having a healthy "low salt" diet. A low salt diet has 2Grams or 2000MG of sodium per day. A good way to faithfully count the amount of salt intake is to create a tally sheet and write down the amount of salt there is in every food you consume during the day (check the labels on the packages for the amount of sodium per serving).



This will be painful the first couple of days, but in a couple weeks you will be a pro at it! Next time you go out to eat, ask your server or go to their website to obtain nutrient information. As you reduce your salt intake for the physical health of your body, may the Holy spirit continue to salt your mind and spirit with God's Word to take care of and preserve you, both body and soul for life in His eternal kingdom. Continue to be the salt of the earth and not lose your saltiness!

Diane Rhonemus, Human Care Committee

Honors - Memorials April - September 2018

In Honor of:

LWML Executive Committee

Don & Karan Neibergal
50th Wedding Anniversary

Harry & Ruth Block
50th Wedding Anniversary

Ruth Knisely

In Memory of:

Carol Eigenbrod

Catherine Heiden

Harvey & Evelyn Nussbaum

Howard Van Schoor

Elmer & Paula Summers

Hermann & Byrl Wurthmann

Northeast Zone Fall Retreat

Submitted by Ruth Mowry



Pastor Kevin Guynn
Zone President,
Billie Lelle

Forty ladies and one pastor were welcomed to the 26th Annual Retreat of the LWML Northeast Zone on September 22, at the YMCA in Perry, Ohio. Zone President, Billie Lelle, opened with devotions and singing. The theme "**Hats Off to Jesus**" was based on 1 Corinthians 9:22b-23, *I have become all things to all people,*

that by all means I might save some. I do it for the sake of the Gospel, that I may share with them in its blessings.

"**Hats for Kids**" plus monetary gifts supported "Building Hope in the City," and we "**passed the hat**" for the mites offering. "**Glad Hatters**" (retreat committee members) popped in to show we all wear many hats in our service to the Lord. They did not keep their words of wisdom "**under their hats.**"

Tonya Basic, Lake County History Center, brought oodles of hats and told stories of various ladies in the past who made a difference in Ohio. Pastor Kevin Guynn, Zone Counselor, led the Bible study "What Do You Expect Me to Do?" After a variety of activities, all left the event with a renewed desire to wear hats of service to our Lord.



Retreat Chairman
Ruth Mowry

Take the time to pray for our mission projects which are supported with our "Mighty Mites." Let's wear our "hats" with confidence knowing that Jesus is by our side always.

Lima-Van Wert

Submitted by Beth King

The Fall Rally was on September 22, at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Van Wert, Ohio. Guest speaker was Amy Rast, Associate Director of the Deaconess Program, Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Indiana. Amy explained the work and experiences of a deaconess, the program in Ft. Wayne, and the history of the deaconess role since the early church.





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Mite Giving by Church

Church or Zone Name	2016-2017	2017-2018	TOTAL				
Akron, Hope	\$0.00	\$14.35	\$14.35	Lima, Immanuel	\$209.83	\$256.84	\$466.67
Akron, St. John	\$606.30	\$578.00	\$1,184.30	Lima VanWert Zone	\$493.49	\$575.29	\$1,068.78
Akron-Ygst Zone	\$145.29	\$364.78	\$510.07	Lorain-Medina Zone	\$124.17	\$242.34	\$366.51
Akron, Zion	\$189.92	\$135.52	\$325.44	Madison, Holy Cross	\$85.00	\$53.00	\$138.00
Amherst, St. Paul	\$557.76	\$309.00	\$866.76	Mantua, Christ	\$272.85	\$130.75	\$403.60
Antwerp, Mt. Calvary	\$225.22	\$307.12	\$532.34	Marysville, St. Johns	\$6,518.80	\$1,923.48	\$8,442.28
Archbold, St. James	\$758.78	\$789.65	\$1,548.43	Mason, King of Kings	\$0.00	\$1,059.80	\$1,059.80
Ashland, KY St. Paul	\$384.81	\$492.41	\$877.22	Mayfield Heights, Our Savior	\$637.11	\$85.00	\$722.11
Avon, Faith Lutheran	\$236.00	\$626.76	\$862.76	Maysville, KY, Trinity	\$147.80	\$83.00	\$230.80
Austintown, Redeemer	\$901.70	\$937.00	\$1,838.70	Mentor, Faith	\$3,117.07	\$3,073.75	\$6,190.82
Brunswick, St Mark	\$432.18	\$419.00	\$851.18	Mentor, Good Shepherd	\$216.28	\$227.12	\$443.40
Central Zone	\$831.58	\$500.85	\$1,332.43	Miami Valley Zone	\$524.50	\$741.85	\$1,266.35
Chardon, Peace	\$135.35	\$120.55	\$255.90	Middletown, Messiah	\$474.08	\$458.72	\$932.80
Chesterland, St. Mark	\$2,900.00	\$3,000.09	\$5,900.09	Milford St Marks	\$918.77	\$1,262.74	\$2,181.22
Cincinnati, Christ	\$2,274.00	\$1,460.50	\$3,734.50	Milford Center, St Paul	\$256.12	\$659.90	\$916.02
Cincinnati, Grace	\$0.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00	Miralia, Lisa	\$0.00	\$400.00	\$400.00
Cinn, Immanuel	\$252.45	\$0.00	\$252.45	Mt Hope, St. John	\$1,490.00	\$1,652.50	\$3,142.50
Cincinnati, Messiah	\$815.42	\$1,216.97	\$2,032.39	Napoleon, St. John	\$695.93	\$1,425.20	\$2,121.13
Cincinnati, Peace	\$851.00	\$300.00	\$1,151.00	Napoleon, St. Paul	\$1,954.09	\$1,263.95	\$3,218.04
Cinn, Prince of Peace (Burns)	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$600.00	Napoleon Zone	\$0.00	\$207.81	\$207.81
Cincinnati, St. Paul	\$1,070.00	\$1,756.75	\$2,826.75	Napoleon, St. Paul, Flat Rock	\$492.63	\$466.01	\$958.64
Cincinnati, Trinity	\$184.50	\$59.00	\$243.50	Napoleon, St. Peter	\$1,102.72	\$1,182.65	\$2,285.37
Cincinnati, Zion	\$913.59	\$760.05	\$1,673.64	Napoleon/Def Zone Ret	\$411.25	\$362.53	\$773.78
Cincinnati Zone	\$439.02	\$581.14	\$1,020.16	Newark, New Hope	\$39.70	\$111.39	\$151.09
Cleveland, Bethany	\$819.50	\$0.00	\$819.50	North Jackson, Gethsemane	\$270.00	\$100.00	\$370.00
Cleveland, Immanuel	\$0.00	\$201.50	\$201.50	North Royalton, Royal Redeemer	\$221.00	\$221.20	\$442.20
Cleveland South Zone	\$215.00	\$97.00	\$312.00	Northeast Zone	\$850.40	\$826.30	\$1,676.70
Cleveland, St. Mark	\$125.00	\$107.00	\$232.00	Ohio City, St. Thomas	\$638.70	\$724.96	\$1,363.66
Cleveland, St. James	\$1,022.50	\$650.00	\$1,672.50	Oregon, Prince of Peace	\$287.47	\$307.08	\$594.55
Clev St. John, Nottingham	\$152.00	\$154.00	\$306.00	Painesville, St. Paul	\$1,563.83	\$1,904.83	\$3,468.66
Cleveland, Trinity	\$1,179.50	\$733.00	\$1,912.50	Painesville, Zion	\$5,095.75	\$5,307.29	\$10,403.24
Cleveland Unity	\$75.06	\$88.56	\$163.26	Parkersburg WVa St Paul	\$1,476.67	\$289.10	\$1,765.77
Columbia Station, Hosanna	\$0.00	\$251.00	\$251.00	Parma, Bethany	\$186.00	\$910.55	\$1,096.55
Columbus, Atonement	\$845.37	\$1,306.35	\$2,151.72	Powell, Beautiful Savior	\$1,021.44	\$958.66	\$1,980.10
Columbus, Bethany	\$82.00	\$108.00	\$190.00	Ridgeville Corners, Zion	\$927.78	\$1,239.45	\$2,167.23
Columbus, Concordia	\$475.01	\$531.37	\$1,006.38	Rocky River, St. Thomas	\$441.62	\$656.98	\$1,098.60
Columbus, Holy Cross of Deaf	\$57.29	\$0.00	\$57.29	Sherwood, St. John	\$1,477.00	\$1,028.00	\$2,505.00
Columbus, Prince of Peace	\$952.49	\$481.00	\$1,433.49	Solon, Our Savior	\$1,501.69	\$4,022.48	\$5,524.17
Columbus, Zion	\$1,331.12	\$1,148.86	\$2,479.88	South Euclid, St. John	\$712.55	\$740.17	\$1,452.72
Convoy, Redeemer	\$0.00	\$968.65	\$968.65	Springfield, Risen Christ	\$62.45	\$345.00	\$407.45
Cuyahoga Falls, Redeemer	\$745.60	\$727.00	\$1,472.60	Steubenville, St. Mark	\$593.50	\$560.00	\$1,153.50
Dayton, St. Matthew	\$230.00	\$0.00	\$230.00	Stryker, St. John	\$951.08	\$974.00	\$1,925.08
Defiance, Christ Our Savior	\$354.48	\$367.23	\$721.71	Sugar Grove, Trinity	\$247.00	\$182.08	\$429.08
Defiance, St. Stephen	\$522.40	\$145.43	\$667.83	Sylvania, King of Glory	\$401.00	\$417.75	\$818.75
Defiance Zone	\$189.27	\$206.26	\$395.53	Tallmadge, Tallmadge	\$315.47	\$387.40	\$702.87
Dublin, St. John	\$1,973.56	\$1,497.49	\$3,471.05	Thompson, Grace	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$500.00
Edgerton, Zion	\$429.23	\$437.12	\$866.35	Tiffin, Redeemer	\$138.36	\$157.17	\$295.33
Erlanger, KY Bethany	\$169.00	\$101.27	\$270.27	Toledo, Concordia	\$245.96	\$319.39	\$565.35
Euclid, Bethlehem	\$60.00	\$52.00	\$112.00	Toledo, Gloria Dei	\$317.82	\$380.35	\$698.17
Euclid, Shore Haven	\$800.00	\$800.00	\$1,600.00	Toledo, Good Shepherd	\$293.11	\$444.44	\$737.55
Fairborn, Bethlehem	\$291.38	\$425.13	\$716.51	Toledo, Immanuel	\$136.50	\$0.00	\$136.50
Findlay, Concordia	\$712.11	\$1,519.63	\$2,231.74	Toledo, St. Phillip	\$32.00	\$50.00	\$82.00
Florence KY, Good Shepherd	\$289.00	\$426.00	\$715.00	Toledo, Trinity	\$2,481.74	\$2,342.90	\$4,824.64
Garfield Heights, St. John	\$852.48	\$1,150.50	\$2,002.98	Toledo Zone	\$941.49	\$807.21	\$1,748.70
Grafton, Trinity	\$1,020.00	\$172.06	\$1,192.06	Valley City, St. Paul	\$1,446.84	\$1,542.69	\$2,989.53
Hamilton, Immanuel	\$292.89	\$282.35	\$575.24	VanWert, Emmanuel	\$232.05	\$206.15	\$438.20
Hamler, Immanuel	\$42.30	\$167.86	\$210.16	Wapakoneta, St. John	\$724.55	\$945.81	\$1,670.36
Harrison, Amazing Grace	\$72.35	\$117.78	\$190.13	Warren, Trinity	\$176.00	\$110.00	\$286.00
Huber Heights, St. Matthew	\$0.00	\$570.00	\$570.00	Wauseon, Emmaus	\$386.85	\$375.15	\$762.00
Huber Heights, St. Timothy	\$124.21	\$265.82	\$390.03	Wauseon, St. Luke	\$584.37	\$353.32	\$937.69
Hudson, Gloria Dei	\$701.74	\$686.60	\$1,388.34	Wellington, Bethany	\$0.00	\$467.91	\$467.91
Independence, Concordia	\$0.00	\$118.29	\$118.29	Westlake, St. Paul	\$4,208.00	\$3,271.67	\$7,479.17
Kent, Faith	\$556.55	\$360.25	\$916.80	Willoughby, Trinity	\$1,110.97	\$922.36	\$2,033.33
Kettering Emmanuel	\$1,585.20	\$1,507.48	\$3,092.68	Willowick, Bethel	\$1,164.03	\$1,198.21	\$2,362.24
Lancaster, Emmanuel	\$424.86	\$445.02	\$869.88	Willshire, Zion	\$463.34	\$576.30	\$1,039.65
				Zanesville, Trinity	\$197.00	\$318.00	\$515.00



Trinity Toledo Society

Submitted by Lillian Keller

On a cool September Saturday, we hosted the annual Woman's Morning Out. Members from three area LWML societies joined us for the catered brunch and program with the theme, "Make Me a Servant."



The guest speaker, Mrs. Katherine Rittner, Director, Concordia Theological Seminary Food and Clothing Co-op, explained that the seminary had its beginnings in a Fort Wayne home with two students. Food for these students was gathered from neighbors. The seminary was also in St. Louis for a few years, sharing the facilities with Concordia Seminary. It then moved to Springfield, Illinois, finally moving back to Fort Wayne in 1996. The new campus buildings resemble a Scandinavian Village. Katherine shared specific information on the chapel; the meaning behind the shape and placement of the special bricks, several of the Mosaic windows and other interesting facts about the seminary including facts about the statue of a young Martin Luther that stands along the entrance drive to the seminary.



Several weeks before the brunch, Trinity's LWML distributed to congregational members empty grocery bags (Adopt-a-Bag) with a label of suggested items on each. We were blessed with an overwhelming response of clothing and filled grocery bags which filled Katherine's pickup truck and a 6 foot X 12 foot U-Haul trailer. Fellowship, singing, a collection for mites, a skit to help explain mites and a PowerPoint presentation of LWML information rounded out the morning.



Thank you to Thrivent Action Team funds that helped with the cost of the brunch and to purchase additional Adopt-a-Bag items. Also a big thank you to Trinity's high school youth who did a fantastic job of loading the pickup truck and trailer.

Cincinnati Zone

Submitted by Peggy Kelm

"Women in Scripture" peaceful, delightful, intriguing, fulfilling, well organized-descriptions of the Fall Retreat held September 15, at the Sisters of Charity Motherhouse in Delhi, Ohio.



Pastor Stuckwisch, Messiah Lutheran, opened with a worship service and communion. Sister Donna Bryant talked about Biblical women's faith, and her own as she progressed through life.



There were three service projects: creating tied fleece quilts, stringing prayer bead bracelets (for MOST Ministries), and trimming the collected rarer stamps. Pastor Suguitan was grateful to receive the blankets, and the ingathering of winter hats, gloves, and socks, plus personal care items for the homeless shelter. We left satisfied at the vast work accomplished, thoughtful in the message of wisdom found in the Scriptures, and eager to see the friends again from the other churches at the next event.



Puzzle: Are mites bugs OR are mites the few coins the widow dropped into the temple box OR are mites the money donated to LWML with thankful prayers. Answer: all are correct! Your mites do make a difference! All the coins, bills and checks add up with those around the LWML Ohio District to fund all the mission grants, plus 25% helps fund grants for world wide mission!



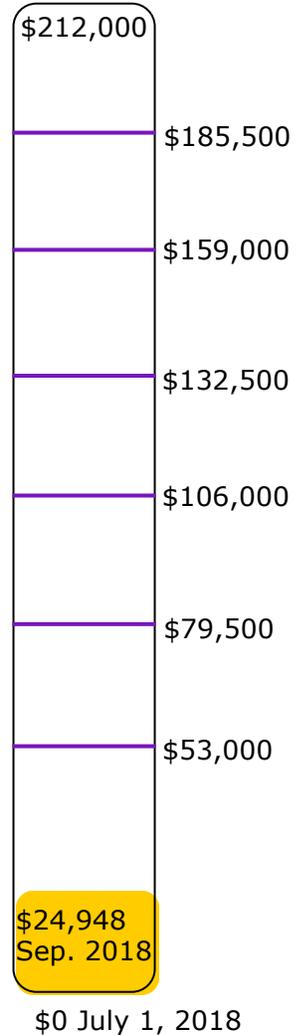


Calendar of Events

2018	Zone / Event	Location
Monthly	Toledo	MOST Ministries
3rd Tues	Volunteer Day	Ann Arbor, MI
Nov. 3	Lorain-Medina Zone Meeting	Bethany Wellington, Ohio
2019		
Jan. 15	2019 LWML Convention	Deadline to submit Banner Design
Jan. 15	2020 LWML Ohio District Convention	Deadline to submit Logo Design
Jan. 26	Central Winter Retreat	Cedar Ridge Lodge Galloway, Ohio
Jan. 26	Cincinnati Exec. Bd Mtg	St. Mark
Feb. 9	Northeast Prayer Service	St. Mark Chesterland, Ohio
Apr. 6	Central Spring Rally	Prince of Peace Columbus, Ohio
Apr. 28	Cincinnati Spring Rally	TBA
Jun. 20-	2019 LWML	Mobile Convention Center
Jun. 23	Convention	Mobile, Alabama



Mite Goal 2018-2020



The Mite of a Child with Hope

In his sermon delivered December 1, 1912, Russell H. Conwell, pastor of Grace Baptist Church in Philadelphia, PA told the true story of a little girl named Hattie May Wiatt. She lived near a church around 1886 where the Sunday School was very crowded and he told her that one day they would have buildings big enough to allow every one to attend who wanted to. Later, Hattie May Wiatt became sick and died. Rev. Conwell was asked to do the funeral and the girl's mother told him that Hattie May had been saving money to help build a bigger church and gave him the little purse in which she had saved 57 cents.



Rev. Conwell had the 57 cents turned into 57 pennies which he sold, raising about \$250. Over time, 54 of the pennies were returned and he put them on display. Some of the members of the church



formed what they called the **Wiatt Mite Society** which was dedicated to making Hattie

May's 57 cents grow as much as possible and to buy the property for the Primary Department of the Sunday school. A house nearby was purchased with the \$250 that Hattie May's 57 cents had produced and the rest is

history. The first classes of Temple College, later Temple University, were held in that house. It was later sold to allow Temple College to move and the growth of Temple, along with the founding of the Good Samaritan Hospital (now Temple University Hospital) have been powerful testimonies to Hattie May Wiatt's dream (from a Sermon By Russell H. Conwell, December 1, 1912, library.temple.edu.)



Central Zone

Submitted by Hope Boring



The Fall Fellowship was held on Saturday, September 29. The theme was "Mary, Mother of Jesus." The ladies of Concordia Lutheran Church, Columbus, Ohio, welcomed everyone by serving a wonderful breakfast and delicious lunch, each entrée starting with T & P to emphasize the ingathering of toilet paper for the folks at Nation Church Residences.

Central Zone's new Pastoral Counselor, Pastor George Zoehl of Bethany, Columbus, gave the devotional beginning with two paintings of a woman, probably Mary, holding a baby. After attendees selected their favorite painting, Pastor told the story behind the paintings and their meanings. An inspiring story.

Stephanie Petee, Christian Life Chairman, led a Bible study, "Heart Matters: A Look at Mary" by Shari Miller. It was taken from the LWML website.

After lunch, Chaplain Zippay from National Church Residences spoke on the organization's ministry and his part in it. Heidi Day, Christian Life Committee Member, gave a monologue of Mary, Mother of Jesus, sharing



her thoughts and feelings concerning being the mother of Jesus.

The day was filled with skits, laughter, and fellowship; a grace filled day with God's people. Go to the Central Zone page on the LWML Ohio District website to see more pictures from the Fall Fellowship.



The sign reads "Help Build the Leaning Tower of 'Peeza'."

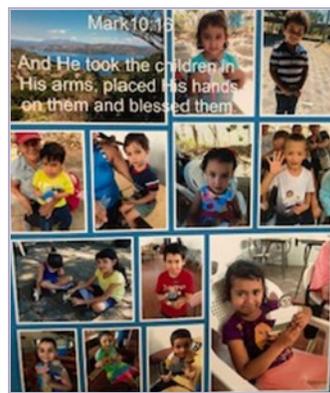


Akron-Youngstown Zone

Submitted by Jeanie Dinehart

Our annual Fall Retreat on September 29 at Birch Hill Cabin in Mill Creek Park, Youngstown, OH. LWML Ohio District President, Jeanne Schimmelman, joined us for the day. Pastor Mark Hanchett, St. John, Akron, Ohio, led us in Bible study based on the theme of the day, "God's Love."

The first session focused on "God Loves You Deeply," the second session, how "God Loves Your Family Deeply," the third, how God Helps Us Love Each Other Deeply." Pastor the Ten Commandments were incorporated in our three sessions.



Our ingathering was school supplies for the HARP Organization which assists Appalachian families to prepare their children for school with standard supplies. Our human care project was making paper dolls. Each year 500 paper dolls are sent with a couple from Faith Lutheran Church in Kent, Ohio, on their mission trip to El Salvador.

The children usually arrive at the orphanage with nothing but the clothes they are wearing. We ended the day with song, praise and prayer.

MOBILE OR BUST!!



Michigan District is chartering the bus to travel to the 2019 Convention in Mobile, Alabama. Here is information available to date: Bus will leave Tuesday, June 18, and return Monday, June 24. Possible bus routes: Saginaw, Detroit, Ann Arbor, (Toledo) or Gladwin, Battle Creek, and Kalamazoo.

The plan is \$225.00 for reserving a space on the bus only. This amount is based on a count of at least 45 per bus (each bus holds 56.) Two hotels will be selected should we have 2 busses going. You will be assigned to Bus #1 or Bus #2. Once assigned, you make your own room reservation and decide how many roommates you desire. ONE PER ROOM will secure your reservation with a credit card by the assigned response date. The overnight stays are planned for Elizabethtown, KY. **The deadline to secure a place on the bus is November 30, 2018.**

For information, contact Sharron Sheridan: sharron.sheridan@frontier.com cell phone is 517-403-0065 (she can receive text messages.)



Returning God's Blessings

Keeping clear records for loved ones provides a roadmap for survivors to honor intent. Respecting another's wishes is easier if a defined path is evident. For a free copy of LWML's "PASSING ON YOUR FAITH, WISHES AND INSTRUCTIONS: A Practical End-of-Life Guide for You and Your Family," email Pat Bilow at: pat.bilow@lfnd.org or call 800-741-4138, ext. 2 (Please provide \$3.00 for postage.)



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IN SEASON AND OUT OF SEASON

Lutheran Women in Mission

CHURCHLink App

By Vote	Grant total	2018-2020 Mission Grants	Balance to Pay
1	\$10,000	POBLO Missionary /Evangelist - Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Kettering, Ohio	\$10,000
2	\$10,000	Military Veterans & Family Member Counseling, Care Programs & Services - Lutheran Military Veterans & Families Ministries, Fort Wayne, IN	\$10,000
3	\$15,000	Support for Seminarians - Ohio District Student Aid & Recruitment Committee	\$15,000
4	\$10,000	Concordia Theological Seminary Food Co-Op - Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, IN	\$10,000
5	\$12,000	Center of Refuge Orphanage, Jacmel, Haiti/ meals - Mission in Ministry, Chesterland, OH	\$12,000
6	\$15,000	Support for Full-Time Students preparing for Church Work - Ohio District Student Aid & Recruitment Committee	\$15,000
7	\$5,000	Carrie L. Twyman Kids Church - Immanuel Lutheran Church, Cincinnati, OH	\$5,000
8	\$8,000	Worship Anew - Sharing God's Word Through TV - Lutheran Ministries Media, Fort Wayne, IN	\$8,000
Total Mission Grant Goal 2018-2020			\$85,000



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ODE Submission

Deadlines for article submissions:

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



Submit news, pictures, and articles for approval for Zones: to the Zone President
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Mighty Mites

Directing Thrivent Choice Dollars to Mites: Direct to LWML Ohio District by selecting Lutheran Women's Missionary League, Mentor, Ohio (not Toledo).

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

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March 1, 2019 REDUCTIONS deadline! (details on Page 4.) Submit quantity and address changes to **Kim Klein**, Subscription Manager.



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2018-2020 Mission Goal		\$212,000
Mission Grants		\$85,000
Description	September	Biennium Total
Mites Received	\$3,206.84	\$24,941.33
Stamps for Missions		
Thrivent Choice Dollars	\$30.00	\$866.00
Quarterlies & ODEs	\$29.50	\$1,879.95
Honors/Memorials	\$570.00	\$2,205.40
Total Mission Income	\$3,836.34	\$29,892.68
\$\$ per month to equal Mission Goal:		\$8,671.78
Average given per month		\$8,313.78