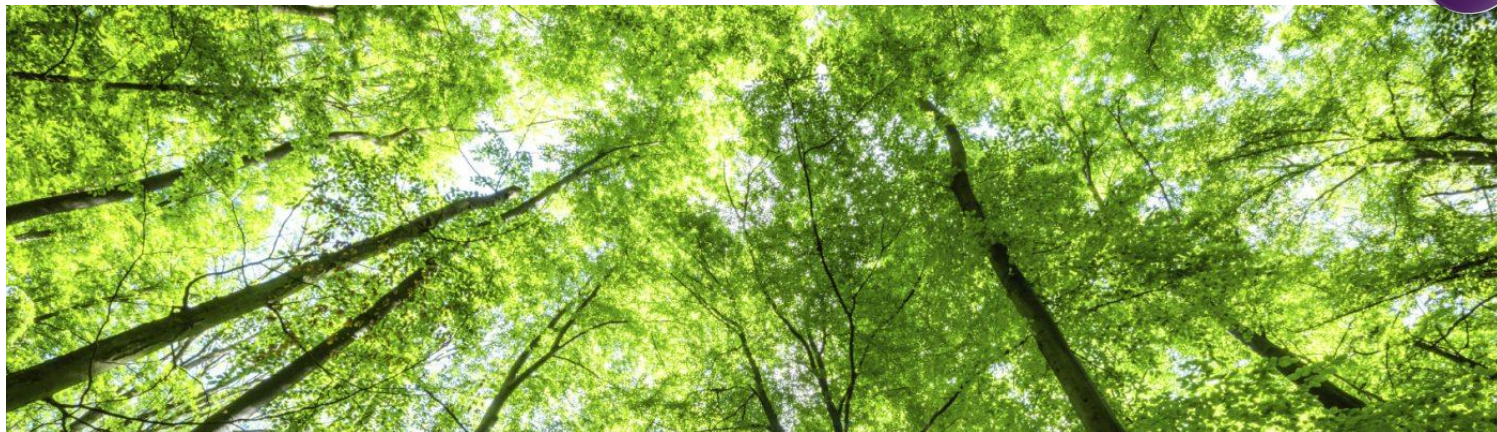


NORTHWESTER

NEWSLETTER



CARING FOR GOD'S CREATION

"The Earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world and those who live in it; for he has founded it on the seas and established it on the rivers." Psalm 24:1-2

So much has happened since we met in person at our last full convention in 2018. Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, our 2020 convention was canceled (as were so many things) and many of us learned how to use Zoom and other electronic forms of communication, as well as how to do things such as how to shop online and how to shelter in place. Our 2022 convention was held briefly following our WELCA retreat at Luther Park Bible Camp, where I and others were elected to your board to serve you.

I am pleased to announce that once again we will be holding not only an in-person convention, but also a Day of Awareness. Spirit Lutheran Church in Eau Claire has agreed to be our host for this two-day event, and we have a wonderful time planned for you centered around the theme of "Caring for God's Creation • Renew – Reuse – Repurpose." On Saturday, we will open with a worship service and then our keynote speaker, Dr. Jim Boulter of UW-Eau Claire, will converse with us about climate change, its effects and how we can make a difference. Additionally, we have sessions planned on composting and recycling and caring for our world. Lunch is included with your registration fee.

Our business convention will take place on Friday evening with a special guest from our national WELCA board. Each congregation may designate one person as a voting member for the business meeting, but any number of women from each congregation may attend. Business will include an election of officers and conference board members. Also, we will elect voting members to attend the next Triennial Gathering in Des Moines, Iowa in the summer of 2026. We will close this session with a worship service.

Please look over the [flyer and registration form](#) included later in this newsletter and make as many copies as desired. Also please consider putting your name in to be a voting member to the 2026 Triennial in Des Moines! The [nomination form](#) is also included later in this newsletter.

Faithfully yours,
Joan Moe, SWO President

SAY "YES!"

"What you decide on will be done, and light will shine on your ways." Ecclesiastes 5:19

Women of the ELCA is such an important organization within our churches. We can accomplish anything as women and have. But right now, our organization is in need of people who are willing to do God's

work as a board member or conference representative.

Those of us who have been on the Board, now and in the past, have been proud of the work we have done. We also made good friends with each other, shared laughter, and good times. Being on the Board is neither time consuming nor difficult. Most of the meetings are held by Zoom in the comfort of your own homes. Our Zoom meetings last between 1 to 1 ½ to hours each month, a short amount of time to invest for each meeting. Many of us are using our cell phones, iPads, or computers longer than it takes to have a meeting! When we do meet for a face-to-face meeting, we get gas mileage to offset the cost of fuel plus we get a chance to visit with each other.

If you are interested in belonging on the Board and doing God's work, the following positions are available. Please talk with your Conference Representative for more information on these positions:

- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Lake Superior Conference Representative
- Chippewa Valley Conference Representative
- St Croix Valley Conference Representative
- Chequamegon Conference Representative



It has been a wonderful experience to be on the Synodical Women's Organization Board. All of us who have answered "yes" when asked to be a part of this organization, have not regretted our decision. Will you now answer "yes" to experience what other women have experienced and answer God's call?

Gloria Rolstad, SWO Vice President



THE MEASURE OF A WOMEN OF THE ELCA UNIT

What is an active unit of Women of the ELCA? We the synodical women believe you are an active unit if you have a contact person and a treasurer and send funds to the SWO treasurer whether it be monthly, quarterly, or yearly to support the mission of the Synodical Women's Organization.

You may not have an official WELCA unit in your congregation, but I'm confident that the women in your congregation have Bible Study, carry out missions such as quilting or other LWR projects, volunteer in your community for the food pantry or shelter, have book discussions, and are active and involved as Women of the ELCA fulfilling our mission statement of Mobilizing Women to Act Boldly on their Faith in Jesus Christ.

An active unit for churchwide Women of the ELCA includes having a contact person and contributes to churchwide Women of the ELCA by sending them your Thankofferings, donating to Katie's Fund or donating to churchwide Women of the ELCA to be used as needed, donating through them for LWR, World Hunger, etc. To be considered an active unit for churchwide, you must have a contact person and contribute to churchwide Women of the ELCA.

In Mid-July we received from churchwide Women of the ELCA a spread sheet requesting that it be updated with primary contacts for the active women units in our Synod and returned by August 15th! Many of the conference leaders received an e-mail from me asking if they had a listing of contacts for the units in their conferences.

Thank you, Conference Leaders, for your due diligence in updating and sending your contacts so we could meet that August 15th deadline!

Churchwide will determine from their criteria how many active units there are and will use that information to determine how many voting members each synod will have for the 2026 Triennial Convention to be held in Des Moines. FYI, for the 2023 convention in Arizona, we had seven voting members plus the president.

I urge the conference leaders to keep their unit information current, so when asked for this information again in three years, we're prepared and have current information.

Phyllis Beastrom, SWO Treasurer



We are looking for potential voting members to represent our SWO at the 2026 13th Triennial to be held in Des Moines, Iowa on July 16-19. Triennial voting members need to be voted on at our upcoming SWO Convention to be held on September 27-28, 2024, at Spirit Lutheran, Eau Claire. These will be voted on at the Friday evening business meeting.

This is a great opportunity to learn more about the workings of our women's organization. Not only do you vote for new officers and board members, but you vote on policy changes and any new policy additions as well as memorials and budget. It is a time to meet new friends and the representatives of the churchwide board, expand your knowledge of the Women of the ELCA organization and be a part of the church-wide community. Voting members will have their travel expenses covered, meals and room, by the churchwide organization.

I also encourage you to stay for the gathering that will follow the business session. You are responsible for your own registration, room reservation, and food.

Registration will begin July 15, 2025, online at www.womenoftheelca.org. This is a wonderful time to hear inspirational speakers, be a part of informative workshops, participate in exciting worship, as well as visit the many vendors and craftsman's displays, and informational sessions in the gathering area.

Please respond by September 18, 2024. Hope to see you in Des Moines!

Barb Garling, SWO Secretary

CONFERENCES

Chippewa Valley Conference
Diane Campbell

This month I'm shaking things up a bit. I'm not sharing information how our amazing Chippewa Valley Conference Churches are wrapping up their summer activities. Nor will I share what they are planning for the fall activities. I'm concentrating instead on the Good News/Bad News.

The Good News is that Spirit Lutheran Church in Eau Claire is hosting our Synodical Convention on September 27 and 28. You can attend both Friday and Saturday for \$30, which includes snacks both Friday night and Saturday morning, free coffee, and a noon lunch on Saturday. Our theme centers around taking care of God's creation. You can learn more about the speakers, etc. elsewhere in this newsletter.

Each church is allowed one voting delegate for our Friday Evening Convention. That probably sounds rather stuffy, boring and maybe too "churchy" for you. I know a secret. None of those labels define a SWO Convention.

Yes, we do have a few business details to take care of, including voting for Triennial Delegates. Meanwhile, you will be reconnecting with friends from other churches, and conferences, friends you probably saw/met in June at the SWO Retreat. If you are staying at the Fairfield Inn, you will be with others attending both

days. It becomes one big sleepover with friends. Trust me. Laughter and love will be in the air for the entire convention.

But now, on to the Bad News. We have not been able to find a replacement for me, as the Chippewa Valley Representative on the SWO Board.

You probably wonder why I don't stay on. I can't. I've overstayed my terms already. Because of Covid, I and a few others volunteered to stay on beyond our elected terms. I'm now completing my eighth consecutive year as your Chippewa Valley Representative. That's way over the two-term limit we normally adhere to.

I absolutely love the friendships I have made. As you know, when older women gather, laughter is always part of the deal. There is never a shortage of love and laughter when we meet.

The SWO Board is made up of the officers, and representatives from each conference. As a Conference Representative, I share what the Chippewa Valley Team is planning for our Conference, plus what the churches in our Conference are doing. I listen and take notes during the meeting. Then I take my information back to the Chippewa Valley Team, and we share it with our 27 churches.

Yes, there is some work involved. But it's always a team effort when we are planning SWO events. Together the Board discusses ways to help keep all the women in our Synod informed.

I've been searching for a volunteer from our conference to be the Chippewa Valley Representative for quite some time. I've talked with many women. The biggest commitment with this position is giving up a few hours 4-5 times a year to attend a SWO Board Meeting, and then share with the Chippewa Valley Team. In the winter we meet via zoom, in the comfort of our own homes.

My hope is that YOU will do a few things. The first is to pray that we fill this position. Maybe you will hear God calling your name, and you will say yes. Or maybe you know someone you think would enjoy it. That's how this position will be filled.

If no one volunteers to run, the next part of our prayer is that when we call for nominations from the floor, a name will be received, and a new Chippewa Valley Representative will be voted in. Without a Chippewa Valley Representative on the SWO Board, our women in the Chippewa Valley will need to find out information on their own.

There you have it. The Good News; and the Bad/Sad News.

If you are reading this, I know you are also a prayer warrior. It's time to rally the troops and pray that someone will look at their calendar and their heart will tell them they do have the time. If they have any doubts about what is involved, show them this article and don't forget to emphasize the laughter, friendships, and the love.

I'm looking forward to seeing most of you both Friday Night September 27 and Saturday September 28. That way you get your money's worth...two days for the price of one. Come prepared to learn, to laugh, and to worship with other women who are as much fun as you are! Don't forget that each church is allowed one voting delegate, AND I'm hoping/praying YOU will be our next Chippewa Valley Representative on the SWO BOARD so I can vote you in.

Lake Superior Conference

Kathy Rewalt

September is here and we are busy wrapping up summer activities and planning our fall happenings. Such wonderful outside adventures have been foremost in many of our gatherings.

Good Shepherd in Ashland continues with their monthly bus passes for the homeless. They also are thanking the first responders by making and taking them muffins. And not forgetting the canine units, providing the animals with treats.

Hope in Oulu continues working on quilts to be sent to LWR. Two of their quilts have been made to use in two raffles at the church. One raffle was a fund raiser for Malawi and the second one was for their summer picnic with funds going to the roof fund. They will also be having their

rummage sale on Sept 27 & 28 with monies going to the roof fund.

Peace in Poplar just finished their annual Pie and Ice Cream Social. They had over 58 pies that were served. Proceeds go to the Local Food Shelf. Their Parish Nurse Ministry has been renamed Health and Wellness Ministry. Their team members

work closely with their pastor to give help and support to the congregation. Their Harvest dinner will be on Sept 25. This year they will be having a turkey dinner. November 9 will be their Annual Bazaar.

Our Saviors in Iron River had their picnic on August 18. What an enjoyable time to worship by the lake. They will be holding their annual Tour of Homes on September 14. Participants have 5 homes to tour this year. Proceeds from the sale of tickets goes to the local Food Shelf. Their Harvest dinner will be on October 9.

I just want to let everyone in our conference know that I am at the end of my two terms on the Synod Board as your conference rep. At the end of September, at the convention, we need to elect another person to fill my position on the board. Please consider this opportunity and let me know if you are interested and would consider being our rep. Blessings all and hope to see you at the convention.

Chequamegon Conference

Peggy Erickson

We will hold our fall event on Saturday, October 5, 2024 at Faith Lutheran in Marshfield. The theme will be a circus theme with games and activities. Zion American will host. We will discuss our open board positions. We are looking for a new Conference rep to the SWO Board. It is a great opportunity to meet women from other conferences and work with dedicated women who are doing God's work with faithful hearts.

Each church is encouraged to submit their unit contact information for the 2024-2025 year. A [form](#) is included in this newsletter. Keeping your church information helps us stay in contact with your women's groups.



Hope to see you at the SWO convention September 27-28 in Eau Claire. It will be a good day to learn how to care for God's creation. I'm looking forward to the speakers and learning what I can do better for it. Blessing to all!

Heart of the North Conference

Janice Ahneman



[Registration form](#) included in this newsletter.

Dairyland Conference

Amelie Lindberg-Livingston



Apple River Conference

Suzanne Grill

Sunday School Kick Off Carnival

Sunday, September 8, 2024
Noon-4 pm

Bouncy house, games,
prizes, food

Ages 3-12
Goodwill contribution

North Valley Lutheran,
1988 220th Ave, Centuria
(715) 825-3559

Meatball Drive-Through

Sunday, October 6, 2024
10:30am-1:00pm

Fundraiser for youth ministries
Free will Offering

North Valley Lutheran,
1988 220th Ave, Centuria
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Upcoming Health Fairs

September 13, 3-6pm
St Paul Lutheran Church
1131 Meridian St, Curtiss
--

September 28, 10am-1pm
Rock Creek Lutheran
N1101 810th St, Mondovi
--

October 5, 10am-1pm
Our Saviours Lutheran
1300 Mansfield St,
Chippewa Falls
--

October 26, 10am-1pm
Immanuel Lutheran
3214 Golf Rd, Eau Claire
--

November 9, 10am-1pm
Peace Lutheran
13083 E Main St, Pigeon Falls

Coordinated by Deacon Lidix Montoya,
Neighbor to Neighbor Program Coordinator



Vote Faithfully!

"We are stewards of public life for the common good." Bishop Elizabeth Eaton

Go to [MyVote](#) to update your voter registration record, request an absentee ballot, and to find out what's on your ballot.

The General Election will be held on November 5, 2024.

[Chippewa Valley Votes](#) is a non-partisan, all volunteer organization in the Eau Claire area. If you would like a voter education presentation or a table at your church or event, contact Kim Vlcek at vlcekr@yahoo.com



2024 Women's Retreat - LBC

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Thank you to everyone who contributed to this edition of the NORTHWESTER. This digital publication continues to be a work in progress and your ideas and comments are welcome! Submit individual comments and ideas, as well as news and photos from your conference, congregation or women's group to Kim Vlcek at vlcekk@yahoo.com.



Women of the ELCA

Our Mission – Mobilize women to act boldly on their faith in Jesus Christ.

Our Purpose – As a community of women created in the image of God, called to discipleship in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society and the world.

Women of the ELCA -- Northwest Synod of Wisconsin -- Synodical Women's Organization
CONGREGATIONAL UNIT CONTACTS FOR YEAR _____

NAME OF CHURCH

Conference

Location, if different than mailing address

Mailing address of Church

Church Phone Number

Email address

CONTACT PERSON AND/OR PRESIDENT

Name

Address

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Thank you!

Nomination for Voting Member to the 13th Triennial Convention
Week of July 16-19, 2026 Des Moines, Iowa
Election of Voting members plus Alternates will be September 27th, 2024
At the NW Wisconsin Synod of W/ELCA Convention
Spirit Lutheran, Eau Claire, WI

Women of _____ Name of Church _____
_____ Address of Church _____

From the _____ Conference submit the name of

Name of Nominee _____

Address of Nominee _____

Phone Number of Nominee _____

Email Address of Nominee _____

To be considered by the Nominating Committee as a voting member (delegate) to the 13th Triennial Convention of the Women of the ELCA to be held in Des Moines, Iowa.

Please check appropriate box below concerning nominee listed: Attended/Voting Delegate

1987 Constituting Convention, Milwaukee, WI	_____	/	_____
1990 1 st Triennial, Anaheim, CA	_____	/	_____
1993 2 nd Triennial, Washington, D.C.	_____	/	_____
1996 3 rd Triennial, Minneapolis, MN	_____	/	_____
1999 4 th Triennial, St. Louis, MO	_____	/	_____
2002 5 th Triennial, Philadelphia, PA	_____	/	_____
2005 6 th Triennial, San Antonio, TX	_____	/	_____
2008 7 th Triennial, Salt Lake City, UT	_____	/	_____
2011 8 th Triennial, Spokane, WA	_____	/	_____
2014 9 th Triennial, Charlotte, NC	_____	/	_____
2017 10 th Triennial, Minneapolis, MN	_____	/	_____
2020 11 th Triennial was postponed and held August 2021 Via Zoom	_____	/	_____
2023 12 th Triennial, Phoenix, AZ	_____	/	_____

Please indicate if you are a person of color or whose primary language is other than English: _____ yes _____ no

Please indicate your age bracket: _____ Under 40 _____ 40-60 _____ over 60

Please indicate if you have a physical disability: _____ Yes _____ No

List Congregational Activities: _____

List Conference Activities: _____

List Synod Activities: _____

Return by September 18, 2024 to: Barbara Garling, 1745 6 ½ Street, Almena, WI 54805 or email
dubar342@gmail.com

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YOU ARE ALL INVITED TO ...

**SYNODICAL WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION CONVENTION AND
DAY OF AWARENESS** focusing on



CARING FOR GOD'S CREATION

Renew - Reuse - Repurpose

SEPTEMBER 27 - 28, 2024

AT SPIRIT LUTHERAN CHURCH

1310 Main St, Eau Claire

Friday evening September 27 - Business Meeting

Each Congregation's Women's Unit is encouraged to send one voting member for our convention business meeting

6:00 p.m. registration, snacks and beverages for voting members

7:00 p.m. business meeting – secretary's report, financial report, election of officers, election of conference board members, SWO budget, and any other business to come before the meeting. Approximately 8:15 close with Holden Evening Prayer led by Grace Lenhart.

Saturday, September 28 – Day of Awareness

COME! Be inspired as together we sing, pray, laugh, worship, and learn from keynote speakers and awareness session leaders, meet new friends and renew old friendships as **WE** focus on ***CARING FOR GOD'S CREATION: Renew - Reuse - Repurpose***

Keynote Speaker

- **Dr. Jim Boulter** will have a conversation with us about climate change, its effects, how we can make an impact on climate change as individuals, as a church, and at our workplace. Come with your questions for the Q&A session.

Awareness Sessions

- **Congregation Green Team** – Laurel Boyer and Linda Stockinger invite you to attend if you have a green team or if you are thinking about starting one. We will give you the planning tools to create a strong, active and knowledgeable team! We will share ideas and learn from each other.
- **Food Waste** – Regan Watts will look at our food system, how food gets to our table, and where waste is produced along the way. Then we will zoom in on what we can do in our homes, congregations, and communities to fight food waste locally.
- **Composting 101 A Small Step with a Big Impact** – Composting can feel confusing so whether you're a seasoned composter or new, Cynthia Wahl will demystify composting, and will explore environmental and economic impacts and you'll leave with actionable info and resources.
- **Care of Creation Synod Team** will address their goals, events they've held and discuss the importance of using environmentally safe items in our daily living
- **Climate Change Lobby** - Mary Meierotto will provide information on Citizen Climate Lobby, a non-partisan group that provides info on the climate and empowers individuals to work together on climate policy. She'll also share products she uses that are environmentally friendly and safe for the home.

We also ask you to participate in the following ways:

- display what your congregation is doing for Caring for God's Creation – this can be a display board set on a table or simply a handout describing what you're doing
- if you or someone you know makes items by repurposing something, you are welcome to bring for display
- Bring colorful used t-shirts sizes M, L, XL, XXL, and larger to be made into rugs

Please let Phyllis know if you're bringing items to display so we have enough tables.

As we care for God's creation, we ask YOU to bring:

1 – your coffee mug

2 – your favorite water bottle

3 – your favorite bag or tote for carrying your items

Saturday Schedule: 8:00 a.m. Registration, coffee and morning treats

9:00 a.m. - noon Welcome, worship led by Rev. Dr. JonPaul Dragseth, short break, keynote speaker, short break, message from Bishop Halom, message from church wide representative Maria Lokensgard and preview of awareness sessions.

Noon -1:10 lunch

1:10-3:30 p.m. **The 5 awareness sessions will be offered twice so you have THE opportunity to attend 2 sessions**

Convention Offering: The Convention offering will be received during the morning worship. We haven't designated where it will go but are considering Women of the ELCA, Katie's Fund, the ELCA Disaster Response, and Lutheran World Relief. Disaster Response & LWR assist families and communities affected by flooding, disasters, wildfires, drought - most of these unfortunate situations caused by the effects of climate change. Congregational units are also encouraged to mail your convention offering to the SWO treasurer or bring on September 28th.

COST: \$30 MUST RECEIVE REGISTRATION BY September 18th. The meal will be catered so we must have accurate numbers to give the caterer. Gluten free box lunches are also available.

Overnight housing – we have not reserved any rooms or negotiated any prices but here are a few options for those who stay overnight. You are also welcome to search for more Eau Claire overnight options.

Home 2 Suites (by mall) 4135 Oakwood Hills Pkwy, 715-514-3570

Holiday Inn 2703 Craig Rd; 715-514-2912

Best Western Eau Claire Conference Center; 3304 Mondovi Rd, 715-838-9989

Residence Inn Marriott 4466 Princeton Ridge, 715-514-2912

Fairfield Inn Marriott 1666 Princeton Crossing, 715-831-1000

Please complete the registration form and return by September 18th with your \$30 payment.

Phyllis Beastrom, Convention Chair and Your SWO Board: Joan Moe (President); Gloria Rolstad, Barbara Garling, Phyllis Beastrom, Kathy Rewalt, Suzanne Grill, Janice Ahneman, Carol Hajicek, Diane Campbell, Peggy Erickson, and Amelie Lindberg-Livingston

REGISTRATION FORM

NW SYNOD OF WISCONSIN CONVENTION & DAY OF AWARENESS

SEPTEMBER 27-28, 2024

WHERE: SPIRIT LUTHERAN CHURCH 1310 MAIN ST EAU CLAIRE

FEE: \$ 30.00

REGISTRATION IS DUE SEPTEMBER 18TH

The lunch is being catered and we must have accurate count for the caterer. You may request gluten free box lunch below.

Registration includes the complete conference - Friday night refreshments for voting members and visitors, all day Saturday (speakers, awareness sessions, registration refreshment, morning break, lunch).

Please send check (payable to Women of the ELCA) to:

Phyllis Beastrom
W6244 410th Ave
Ellsworth WI 54011
beastrom@redwing.net
715-821-5847

Convention Offerings may also be sent to above address.

Please detach and mail section below to Phyllis Beastrom (address above)

(Make additional copies as needed)

Name _____ voting member _____
Not a voting member _____

(each congregation's women's unit is entitled to have one voting member at the Business meeting Friday evening)

Address street and city _____

Telephone _____ e-mail address _____

Circle Conference you are in:	Lake Superior	Apple River	Heart of the North
Chippewa Valley	St. Croix Valley	Chequamegon	Dairyland

Congregation _____ Church city _____

_____ \$30 Registration

_____ I request a gluten free box lunch.

New Beginnings

DAY OF RENEWAL

HEART OF THE NORTH CONFERENCE
SATURDAY OCTOBER 26, 2024



THEME: NEW BEGINNINGS

BIBLE VERSE: *Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come. The old is gone, and the new is here! ~ 2 Corinthians 5: 17*

WHERE: Bethany Lutheran Church

35 W. Messenger Street, Rice Lake, WI 54868

WELCOME: will begin at 8:15 a.m. Coffee, Juice, Breads & Muffins

WORSHIP: 9:00 a.m. Worship with communion and bible study led by Pr. Susan Odegard.

BUSINESS MEETING: Election & installation of new officers, Offering

REGISTRATION FEE: \$20.00 per person, payable to HON W'ELCA. Registrations are due by October 11, 2024, to help our host church with their preparations. Lunch is included.

The church is handicapped accessible.

Childcare is available upon request.

IN-KIND GIFTS: For Family House Shelter- Barron County Salvation Army

Donate any commonly used items for families or make a monetary donation through a check made out to "The Family House Shelter." Please see the back of this sheet for specific needs.

In-kind monetary gifts and registration fees must be paid out with separate checks. Thank you!

PLEASE MAKE COPIES FOR YOUR WOMEN

Day of Renewal – Bethany Lutheran Church, Rice Lake, WI.

NAME: _____

Email: _____

Church Name: _____

Amount of Check INCLUDED _____ **CHILD CARE #** _____

DEADLINE: October 11th. Please Make checks PAYABLE: HON W'ELCA

Mail to: Sandi Gunderson 1003 25 25 ¼ Street, Chetek, WI. 54728

Email: arlansandi@gmail.com 1- 715-764-0304



Donate Goods

The Salvation Army- Family House Shelter is always in need of items to help make our shelter a home. Please consider donating these commonly used items by bringing or ordering online and shipping them to our shelter. Thank you.

- **Paper Towels**
- **Toilet Paper**
- **Garbage Bags**
- **Cleaning Supplies**
- **Bath and Kitchen Towels**
- **Copy Paper**
- **Stamps**
- **Gift Cards**
- **Shampoo, Conditioner**
- **Deodorant (men's and women's)**
- **Female Hygiene Products**
- **Razors and Shaving Cream**
- **Tooth Brushes, Toothpaste**
- **New Socks and Underwear (men's and women's)**
- **New Bed Pillow**
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