

Gleanings

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CRUCIFY!

Christ is walking through the streets,
Looking in each face He meets tenderly;
Not alone in church He stands,
Where suplicants kneel with folded hands;
Not alone in closet where,
He lifts the weight of human care;
But in the busy walks of life,
Amid the tumult and the strife,
Walks He with His bleeding feet,
Walks He where the people meet;
But they scorn Him, pass Him by,
And in their hearts they madly cry, "Crucify!"

by William Reed Dunbar

Our Lenten Journey begins on Ash Wednesday, March 9th

The Lenten Season is a forty day (40) period before Easter. We skip Sundays when we count the forty days because Sundays commemorate the Resurrection.

This is a somber season - it is a time for meditation and reflection. It is not a time to "give up" something like desserts, or chocolate. However, it is a good time to "give up" bad habits, grudges and to become more Christ-like.

How will you travel this journey? How will you prepare to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus, The Christ? Will you take the time to attend a Midweek Lenten Worship or will you be too busy?

Will you and your family set aside time for devotions and read the Passion History as it is recorded in Matthew, Mark, Luke and John?

We might want to have a self-exam at the end of each day and ask our self the following questions:

- Did I meet Christ walking through the streets today?
- Did I see Him in my busy walk of life?
- Did I pass Him by and thus join those who cried, "Crucify"?

Purpose Statement

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.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR SWO PRESIDENT

Dear Sisters in Christ:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord, Jesus Christ.....

This is a busy time of the year for the Board members of the Greater Milwaukee Synodical Women's Organization (SWO). The Mission Team is involved in finalizing plans for the Spring Retreat. This one-day event is being held at Ascension Lutheran Church on Layton Blvd (South 27th St.) on Saturday, May 14th. The theme is Body and Soul. You will find details and the Registration Form on other pages in this publication. We encourage you to attend and bring someone from your church unit with you.

The SWO Convention Committee is working on plans for the 24th Annual Convention that will take place on Friday and Saturday, October 7-8 at St. John Lutheran Church in Brookfield. Some limited information is included in this issue but Registration forms and additional details will appear in the June Gleanings. We often hear from units that they do not meet during the summer months and cannot take advantage of the "Early Bird" cost savings registration fee that is offered. The easiest way to get around that problem is to **elect, or appoint, your Convention Delegate within the next two months** and have the Delegate from your congregation in place when the savings is offered. Important decisions are made for the SWO on the Friday evening of Convention and it is important that your church is represented. Use your **BOLD** and tell the leaders of your church unit that you are offering to be this year's Delegate.

There will be numerous positions open on our SWO Board that will need to be filled at the October Convention. Your delegates will elect a President, Treasurer and a number of Board members. Cheryl Isotalo is our 2011 Nominations Chair. It is her responsibility to have at least two individuals willing to put their name into nomination for each open position. This past year we were unable to fill all of the open spots. While that was a huge disappointment, I am grateful for the current Board members who now have to take on more than one responsibility. It shouldn't be that way. With the size of our Synod and the number of women in it, we should be able to get 16 who are willing to serve. Please, be a **Bold Woman** of the Greater Milwaukee SWO and agree to put your name into nomination for one of the open positions. Call Cheryl at 414-541-4236 or myself, to discuss the possibilities.

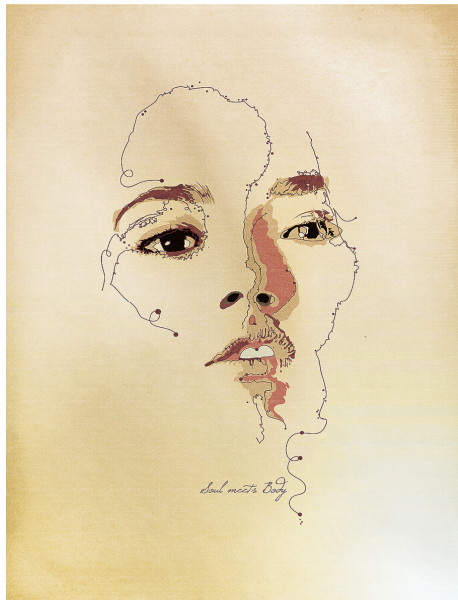
We will soon be leaving the Epiphany Season and will move into Lent. Take the time during this Lenten Season to pay attention to what is "out there". It can be the word of God that comes to us to guide and direct us. We certainly pay attention to that. But we also need to pay attention to the needs of our world, our neighbors, our families and our companions. They are the recipients of our actions, and we can act for their benefit. God's word directs us to them. Let us pray that God makes us more attentive to His work and to our neighbor's needs. May you have a Blessed Lent and a Happy and Joyous Easter as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord.

Carole Ropel, President



For all of our Irish sisters we share this prayer:

May God give you ... For every storm, a rainbow ... For every tear, a smile
For every care, a promise ... And a blessing in each trial.
For every problem life sends, A faithful friend to share, ... For every sigh, a sweet song,
And an answer for each prayer.



SWO
RETREAT
Saturday, May 14, 2011

Ascension Lutheran Church
1236 S. Layton Blvd
Milwaukee, WI 53215
8:45 AM—3:00 PM
\$15.00 (includes lunch)

Retreat Theme
BODY and SOUL
What our bodies can teach us about faith.

Plan now to join your W-ELCA sisters and share a day of exploring the connection between our bodies and the Bible through interaction, simple exercises and singing. **Your Body; Your Soul ... become your own advocate!** What should you report and what questions should you ask your HCP (Health Care Provider)? What can you do to be best prepared for an appointment to make efficient use of your HCP's time and yours? In the context of your relationship with God, you are sure to be enlightened and encouraged to be your own best health advocate!

Our presenters will be: (1) **Sharon Fox Bogen** who is An Associate in Ministry (AIM). Some of you may know Sharon because she served as the Camp Director at Pine Lake Bible Camp. Sharon is energetic and very entertaining. (2) **Lynn Heinrich** has been a registered nurse for many years. She currently works for Aurora Health Care and her experience includes 15 years as a Parish Nurse at Greenfield Avenue Presbyterian Church in West Allis. Sharing her love of the Lord and her passion for spiritual and physical health and well being are something she loves to do.

Agenda for the Day

8:45 AM Registration
9:15 AM Program
12 Noon A lovely lunch
1:00 PM Program
2:30 PM Worship with Communion
3:00 PM On your way - rejoicing and refreshed

During our Worship an offering will be received for the **Open Door Clinic** at Unity Lutheran Church which is located at 1025 E. Oklahoma Ave.

So our retreat planners know how many to prepare for you must register by Friday, May 6, 2011. Please use the form below and send to Jan Fox—4130 S. Carnaby Lane ... New Berlin, WI 53151. If you have questions e-mail Jan at janice-fox@att.net or call her at 262-782-5680.

NAME: (Please print) _____

Phone number: _____ Amount enclosed (checks made payable to **Women of the ELCA**) _____

Congregation _____ City _____

Joining us for this Retreat guarantees you to have fun, be spiritually refreshed and come away as a savvy health care consumer.

From the Treasurer

1/31/2011

Submitted by Donna Derse

Receipts	2010 Actual	2010 Budget
Board Offerings	\$292.00	\$0.00
Church Offerings	\$6,022.83	\$6,500.00
Cluster Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00
Cluster Offerings	\$467.48	\$0.00
Convention Offering	\$2,446.00	\$2,250.00
Convention Registration (Synod)	\$4,190.00	\$5,000.00
Gleanings Subscriptions	\$28.00	\$0.00
Retreat Offering	\$319.30	\$0.00
Retreat Registrations	\$1,120.00	\$1,650.00
Triennial Breakfast	\$126.00	\$0.00
World Hunger	\$70.00	\$0.00
Miscellaneous	\$201.00	\$600.00
Total Receipts	\$15,282.61	\$16,000.00

Disbursements

Program I Mission Growth	\$0.00	\$25.00
Program II Mission Community	\$0.00	\$25.00
Program III Mission Action	\$0.00	\$25.00
Program IV & V Executive Comite/Brd	\$2,009.73	\$1,625.00
Program VI Convention Committee	\$4,335.62	\$5,000.00
Program VII Clusters	\$0.00	\$50.00
Program VIII Financial Matters	\$147.73	\$300.00
Program IX Newsletter	\$1,088.71	\$1,600.00
Program X Special Events	\$906.98	\$500.00
Program XI Scholarships-Camp	\$200.00	\$200.00
-Triennial	\$623.00	\$600.00
-Other	\$200.00	\$200.00
Program XII Anti-Racism	\$0.00	\$50.00
Program XIII Miscellaneous	\$164.00	\$200.00
Convention Offering (Synod)	\$1,223.00	\$2,250.00
Convention Registration Refunds	\$65.00	\$0.00
God is So Good	\$600.00	\$0.00
Katie's Fund to CWO	\$159.65	\$0.00
Thankoffering to CWO	\$151.00	\$0.00
Unit Offerings to CWO	\$3,011.42	\$3,250.00
Triennial Promoter (God is So Good)	\$141.98	\$100.00
World Hunger to CWO	\$70.00	\$0.00
Total Disbursements	\$15,097.82	\$16,000.00

Assets

SWO Checking	\$6,517.93
SWO Savings	\$1,678.06
Certificate of Deposit	\$2,230.43
Mission Investment Fund	\$572.28
Total Assets	\$10,998.70

Designated Funds

Campus Hymnals	\$164.00
God Is So Good	\$246.99
Scholarship-Camp	\$0.00
-Triennial Convention	\$2,087.00
-Other	\$0.00
Triennial Breakfast	\$126.00
Triennial Promoter	\$19.23
Total Designated Funds	\$2,643.22

Funds Available In Checking

3874.71

We read in The W-ELCA Constitution for Congregational Units under section II

- Come together for study, support and action;
- Support financially the total program of Women of the ELCA.

Your Synodical Women's Organization thanks the following congregations for supporting the work of the W-ELCA with \$6,022.83 for the year 2010. Units send the SWO a portion of their offerings and the SWO in turns send 50% of those offerings to churchwide so that together we support ministries of the Women of the ELCA.

Ascension - Milwaukee	Our Savior - Oconomowoc
Atonement - Racine	Resurrection - Racine
Atonement - Muskego	Shepherd of the Hills - Hubertus
Christ - Salem	St. Andrew - Sheboygan
Christ the King - Port Washington	St. John - West Milwaukee
Christ the Victor - New Berlin	St. John - Grafton
Cross - Ixonia	St. John - Brookfield
Gethsemane - Brookfield	St. Luke - Greendale
Gethsemane - Racine	St. Mark - Cudahy
Gloria Dei - Menomonee Falls	St. Mary - Kenosha
Holy Communion - Racine	St. Paul - Milwaukee
King of Glory - Greenfield	St. Peter - Sheboygan
Lincoln Park - Milwaukee	St. Stephen the Martyr - Greendale
Martin Luther - Milwaukee	Trinity - Kenosha
Messiah - Twin Lakes	Trinity - South Milwaukee
Norway - Wind Lake	Trinity - West Bend

If there are any questions regarding the treasurer's report or the list of congregations who have contributed in 2010, please contact our treasurer:

Donna Derse
 5621 E. Peninsula Road
 Waterford, WI 53185
 Phone: 1-262-514-2567
 e-mail: dderse@wi.rr.com

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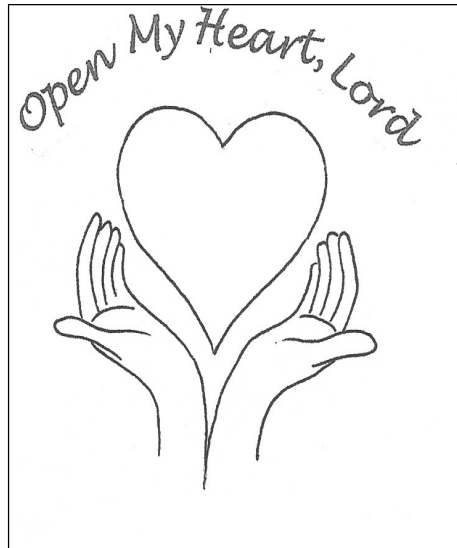
You don't want to miss the
24th Annual SWO Convention

**Friday, October 7th
& Saturday, October 8, 2011**

**St. John Lutheran Church
20275 Davidson Road
Brookfield, WI 53045**

Convention Chairperson
Nancy Hanks

Convention Preacher
Bishop Jeff Barrow



Convention Theme
Open My Heart Lord

Convention Bible Verse

Ephesians 1:18

...having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints...

Convention Hymn

Open the Eyes of my Heart, Lord

It is the goal of your SWO Board to have a delegate from every Unit in the Greater Milwaukee Synod attend our Annual Convention in October. If cost is a factor maybe your Unit could pay at least a portion of the delegate's registration to help us obtain that goal.

Your Convention planning committee spends many hours preparing for this event and in the June Gleanings you will find the registration cost ... a list of workshops ... and other pertinent information.

One of the big items of business on our 2011 Convention agenda will be the election of SWO Board personnel. We will be electing a **new president** (Carole Ropel has faithfully served for the past four years and is not eligible to serve another term).

We also will elect a **new treasurer** (Donna Derse has served us well for the past two years and she is eligible to run for another two-year term).

This year we've been working with a Board of five (5) members (we usually have seven (7) which means several of these people wear more than one hat. The terms of four of our Board Members will expire this year which means the ideal would be that at Convention to elect six (6) people to each serve a two-year term.

Three of our Board members serve on the Mission Team which consists of three areas: (1) Mission (2) Community (3) Growth. These three Mission areas are at the heart of the ministry of the W-ELCA because they unit us in our one mission: **to mobilize women to act boldly on our faith in Jesus Christ.**

- **Mission Action** looks for ways to serve in local communities, state and nation. One of the programs the women have been involved with is Adults Saving Kids which is to prevent commercial sexual exploitation.
- **Mission Community** helps each woman learn to value herself and others as created in God's image and redeemed in Christ; and to build up and celebrate relationships which are global, diverse and interdependent.

- **Mission Growth** aims to provide a variety of learning experiences which strengthen each woman as a whole person, developing her potential and equipping her for service.

Over the years the SWO found it was difficult for each of these mission parts to stand alone so we've combined them into the **Mission Team** and they strive to include all three parts of their individual job descriptions such as the **Retreat** they've planned for **May 14th Body and Soul** (what our bodies can teach us about our faith).

The Convention Chair, Convention Intern, Anti-Racism and Communication Chairs round out your SWO Board.

For the next few weeks pray about serving on the Greater Milwaukee Synodical **Women's Organization's** Board and keep these words in your mind and in your heart:

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart,

Don't wait for the nominations committee to contact you. Call Nominations Chair Cheryl Isotalo at 414-541-4236 and say "I would like to serve" or "I think (name) would be a good addition to your Board."

Thanks to Nancy Sack for saying "yes" to chair the Anti-Racism Committee. At this time this is not a Board position because we can't have two people from the same church serving on the Board. Our Vice-President, Jan Camus & Nancy are from Martin Luther Congregation.

SPRING FLING

Wellness Lifestyle for Longevity

Saturday, March 12, 2011

Gethsemane Lutheran Church
13200 W. Greenfield Avenue
Brookfield, WI 53005

Cost: \$5.00

Registration: 12:30 - 1:00 PM
Worship: 1:00 - 1:15 PM
Lecture: 1:15 - 2:15 PM
Screenings: 2:15 - 4:00 PM
Dessert: 2:15 PM

Speaker

DR. LYNN SETTIMI



Dr. Settimi was recently awarded the Wisconsin State Chiropractor of the Year Award.

RSVP by March 4th to Pat Bolka c/o Gethsemane Lutheran Church (see address above). If you would like a screening, please let Pat know when you register. Questions? Call Pat at 262-796-1299.

HOLY HUMOR

A minister parked his car in a no-parking zone in a large city because he was short of time and couldn't find a space with a meter.

Then he put a note under the windshield wiper that read: "I have circled the block 10 times. If I don't park here, I'll miss my appointment...Forgive us our trespasses."

When he returned, he found a citation from a police officer along with this note..."I've circled this block for 10 years. If I don't give you a ticket I'll lose my job...Lead us not into temptation."

Give me a sense of humor, Lord,
Give me the grace to see a joke,
To get some humor out of life,
And pass it on to other folk!

LUTHERAN WOMAN TODAY

Bible Study for 2011-2012

*"To Lead and to Serve:
The Gospel of Mark"*

Written by:
The Rev. Patricia Lull



Pastor Lull is an ELCA Pastor who has served as a parish pastor, director of campus ministry in the ELCA and as dean of students at Luther Seminary, St. Paul. Her interest in the Gospel of Mark began in childhood when she first heard these stories at St. John Lutheran Church in Fremont, Ohio, and started to imagine life in that Biblical world.

The 2011-2012 Bible study has been designed for both experienced and novice readers of Scripture. Challenging all to read this gospel narrative as an invitation to discipleship in the 21st century.

You are invited to participate in a Bible Study Seminar led by Pastor Lull on Monday & Tuesday, May 23 & 24 at Wartburg Seminary in Dubuque, Iowa. This is a wonderful way to get a head start on our next Bible Study Series which is found in the Lutheran Woman Today - it is also an excellent experience for those who will be leading this study on the Gospel of Mark.

The Seminar begins with registration at 9:00 AM on Monday and concludes on Tuesday by 2:00 PM. Registration cost is (approximately) \$60 with an early bird registration postmark by May 1, 2011. In addition to the registration fee there is a \$25 fee for three meals. Accommodations at nearby motels offer special rates to those attending the Bible Study Seminar.

If you would like more information about this event you may contact Carole Ropel: e-mail caroleropel@wi.rr.com or call her at 262-523-4130 or Betty Warber: e-mail betty@warber.net or call 262-886-8918. Both of these women have attended these Bible Study Seminars in previous years. You may also search the Wartburg Website. <http://www.wartburgseminary.edu>. Questions may also be directed to Lifelong Learners at Wartburg Seminary, PO Box 5004, Dubuque, Iowa 52004

LutheranWoman
TODAY

This is a wonderful magazine - not only does it contain our monthly Bible Study but it is filled with excellent articles. Send your subscription orders to: LWT Subscription Order Center - Box 1553 - Minneapolis, MN 55440.



Travel to Tanzania

JOINT CLUSTER - SPRING EVENT

Cluster I, II, III and IV

SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 2011

Registration 8:30

Bible Study & Program 9:00 AM - Noon

Noon - Lunch

Registration & Lunch ... \$10.00

Registration (no lunch) \$2.00

LUTHER MANOR

Linden Room, North Terrace Dining Room

4545 N. 92nd Street

Milwaukee, WI 53225

Our Bible Study and program will be presented by Pastor Gail Broderson-Heins and Julie Starks from St. Stephen the Martyr Lutheran Church in Greendale, Wisconsin. Pastor Gail and Julie were part of the 2010 delegation from the Greater Milwaukee Synod to the Meru Diocese in Tanzania.

Following a very informative morning we will have lunch of a chicken salad croissant and fresh fruit and time to visit. So that our planners, and those who prepare our food, know how many people to expect you need to register by Tuesday, March 22nd.

Name _____ Congregation _____

Amount enclosed _____ (make checks payable to Jan Fox)

Send to: Jan Fox
4130 Carnaby Lane
New Berlin, WI 53151

NEW RESOURCES available from Churchwide womenoftheelca.org

STITCHES and SCRIPTURE: This 4-session Bible study takes place over seven weeks and pairs seasoned knitting mentors with beginners. Novice knitters will learn several basic knitting techniques as the group makes scarves and dishcloths, perhaps to donate to others. Everyone will learn a bit about how knitting is frequently used in Scripture as a metaphor to describe God's creative and intimate relationship with us. This is a 7-week course but you only meet every other week so that you have time to work on your project in-between lessons.

LIVING A LIFE OF DAILY BREAD: What can you learn about your faith by baking bread? Get out your apron, pull out the canister and get to work! You'll learn about living a life of intention and attention. You'll learn some patience. You'll learn to live in wide-eyed anticipation. You'll learn to live in community.

This resource can be used by an individual for personal reflection or it can be used by a group. Since bread-making is a lost art in some places, use this resource as an opportunity for intergenerational sharing of skills and recipes. What is really neat about this resource is that it is written by Mikka McCracken who is a recent college graduate. Women of the ELCA, we have a marvelous opportunity to mentor our younger women and preserve our Women of the Church program for years to come.

Because of our Units being faithful in sending half of their offerings to the SWO, we were able to send \$100's worth of Pick n' Save gifts cards to Grace Lutheran Church in Kenosha following the fire and explosion in Kenosha several weeks ago. These cards were given to the ELCA Urban Outreach Center (which is housed at Grace) and will be given to people that need them most. Words of thanks came from Pastor John Bischoff, Jr. *"The generosity of your organization, and that of many other groups and individuals, has helped tremendously"*.

Ladies, our money goes where our hands cannot go.



WOMEN OF THE ELCA EIGHTH TRIENNIAL GATHERING

JULY 14—17, 2011

SPOKANE, WASHINGTON

If you are looking for a life-changing experience that will inspire you to live out your faith you are encouraged to attend the Eighth Triennial Gathering in July.

It is too late to get the “early bird” registration but you can still join the thirty some women from the Greater Milwaukee Synod traveling to Spokane, Washington.

Why attend the Triennial?

- **ESCAPE** from the busyness of your life.
- **RENEW** you spirit.
- **REJOICE** in fellowship with your Lutheran sisters!
- **DISCOVER** your heart for service. **Respond** to your calling.
- **ATTEND** workshops, worship services, Bible studies and other events that will transform you life.

Young women in their 20s and 30s will be able to grow in their faith. They will be able to connect with other young women at the “Chocolate Lounge” - doesn't that sound yummy?

There will be workshops to attend and gain new ideas. You will hear about topics such as “*Intercultural Competence for Leadership in a Diverse World*” and building the Organization.

For the veteran gathering attendees there will be time to rekindle relationships! Everyone is welcome to participate in the “Run, Walk and Roll” event.



On Friday morning, July 15th Pastor Wyvetta Bullock will preach at the Opening Thankoffering Service. She currently serves as executive for administration in the Office of the Presiding Bishop. She is also a pastoral associate at Bethel Lutheran Church in Chicago and founder and CEO of Equipping Leaders Ministries. Inc. In addition to all of this, Pastor Bullock is a homemaker and the mother of two children. Everyone will come away from this service inspired.

You will have time to spend in a “Camp” Themed Exhibit Hall. Step into a place of spiritual transformation and renewal, action and joy. Free your mind and let it journey to a place where you can discover your heart for service. Renew your spirit with these refreshing activities.

- Participate in daily exercise

- Climb rock walls
- Experience different forms of worship
- Interact with international guests.

On Saturday morning we will hear from Leymah Gbowee who brought peace to war-torn Liberia after more than a decade of civil war. She is the central figure in the documentary “Pray the Devil Back to Hell” which chronicles the interfaith, female-led journey for Liberian peace. Today Leymah is the Executive Director of Women Peace and Security Network Africa (WIPSEN-Africa), based in Accra, Ghana.



Much of what has been written here comes directly from the Women of the ELCA Website. You are encouraged to search this site for more information.

womenoftheelca.org

You may also contact our **Triennial Coordinator, Robin Fatla**, for information or any questions you might have. Robin has been diligently working for well over a year to promote the Triennial Gathering so we take this opportunity to THANK HER for all that she is doing and will continue to do to make this an exciting and worthwhile experience for the women in the Greater Milwaukee Synod.

A very difficult decision Robin had to make was to cancel the continental breakfast she had arranged for us while we were in Spokane. Not enough women had signed up to attend by the deadline she had with the Spokane Convention Center. Those women who had already signed-up and paid, will be receiving a refund check.

Has anyone taken the “quilt challenge”? Has anyone made a “prayer shawl” to take with them? Did anyone submit a photo for the “banner project”? If so, please let Robin know.

If you are unable to attend, you may still participate by sending (with someone who is going) In-Kind gifts. Gift Cards from Target, Walmart or Kmart; prepaid telephone cards in any amount; any size white socks for children, women or men.

Contact Robin at 262-377-0046 or rlwfatla@gmail.com

2011 Easter Seals Child Representative

Kyle Mayer of Greendale, Wisconsin

Member of St. Stephen the Martyr Lutheran Church

Son of Stephanie Gordon



Stephanie was a 2010 recipient of a scholarship from Churchwide to continue her education at Alverno College where she is studying to become a teacher.

Kyle Mayer is a seven-year-old boy from Greendale Wisconsin living with autism. At 22 months old, Kyle's mother, Stephanie Gordon and Kyle's grandmother noticed how Kyle's speech had regressed and how he preferred playing alone. After Kyle was diagnosed with autism, Stephanie and Kyle's father, Mike, found the P.L.A.Y. Project, an early intervention program and an Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) program in February 2010, both through Easter Seals. Ever since, he's undergone 30 hours of therapy each week. Stephanie says Kyle's progress is a result of the early start he got at Easter Seals. "We were able to build such a strong foundation for him," she says. "Without that, I don't think he'd be anywhere near where he is today. We're just so thankful for Easter Seals."



Remember Kyle in your prayers as he and his mother share their story which will help others better understand the critical need for supports like early intervention.

FREE CHILDREN'S CLOTHING

Every third Monday of each month, the Northwest Trading Post distributes free children's clothing for families who need it. The Trading Post is conveniently located at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Menomonee Falls, just south of Appleton Avenue on Pilgrim Road. The address is W156 N8131 Pilgrim Road. Hours are from 1:00-2:30 PM and 6:00-7:30 PM.

Gently-used clothing is available in infant sizes through size 14; a limited amount of maternity and adult clothing is also available. Toys, high chairs, baby seats, strollers, play pens, car seats, diapers, formula, etc. are also offered when available.

Participants are asked to bring one or two non-perishable food items for the local food pantry in exchange for the clothing.

Donations of gently-used children's clothing and other items are also greatly appreciated.

For more information, call Northwest Trading Post at 262-251-2963 and ask for Lois.

Women's Weekend Retreat

September 23-25, 2011

Pine Lake Camp - Waupaca, Wisconsin

Theme - Spiritual Gifts:
What Are They? Do I Have Any?

Bible Study and Worship Leader:
AIM Karen Tribbey

Cost: \$100 - regular cabins
\$125 - Evergreen Lodge

Registration deadline: July 23, 2011

More information will be mailed to former campers in the near future.

Our SWO Communion Ware (2 patens and 2 chalices) are missing. If you know where these items are please call Carole Ropel at 262-523-4130. Thank you for your help.

**WOMEN'S RETREAT WEEKEND
PINE LAKE CAMP
AUGUST 19-21, 2011**

I just returned from a fun filled week on a cruise to the Southern Caribbean and had a wonderful time. Enjoyed the sun, warm 80 degree weather and fellowship with the people I traveled with. Came home and then the 2011 blizzard of the year hit! I did think of Women's Retreat Weekend and hope that the snow is melted by then and we will enjoy the sun and fellowship with the new and former campers.

The camp planning committee is hard at work and so far we decided that the theme will be "Live! Chosen" which is from John 15:16. Pastor Laurie Veenendal will be the Chaplain and Bible study leader, Barb Zimmerman will serve as Dean and Glenda Bronikowski will be in charge of the selling items from the 3rd World Countries.

Bible study; an interesting program based on the Holy Lands will be on Saturday afternoon; there will be free time to swim, go boating, taking a nap or take the Cross Walk. A few changes this summer will be with the registration. There will be an early bird rate for both the regular cabins and Evergreen Lodge. Please note the registration form which appears in this newsletter. Spread the good news and bring along a friend or two. The committee is looking forward to meeting and greeting all of you. See you at camp.

Nancy Sack

PINE LAKE WOMEN'S WEEKEND RETREAT ... REGISTRATION FORM

Come, share memories of the past and make memories for the future. The 2011 Retreat will be held from Friday, August 19th to Sunday, August 21st. This year's theme is "LIVE! CHOSEN". Our scripture basis will be John 15:16 and other passages. Learn how you are chosen. Pastor Laurie Veenendaal, who is now on "leave from Call", will be our Retreat Resident Pastor.

Activities for this Retreat weekend include Bible Study, a program on the Holy Lands, a Taizé Service, waterfront activities, a Cross Walk and free time to enjoy the beautiful surroundings at Pine Lake.

REGISTRATION COST	REGULAR CABINS	EVERYGREEN LODGE
Early Bird - postmarked by July 15	\$ 90.00	\$110.00
Regular Registration July 16-August 5	\$100.00	\$120.00
Late Registration August 6 until August 19	\$110.00	\$130.00

Special dietary needs will be conveyed to the camp prior to the beginning of the weekend and if you wish you can discuss it further with the cook when you arrive.

I have special dietary needs which include: _____

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Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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