

MICHIGAN WOMEN IN MISSION



EVERGREEN ZONE

For our Fall Prayer Day, our zone collected mites by having a "Best LWML Hat" contest. We all voted on the best decorated hat by putting our mites by the hat of our choice.



GATEWAY ZONE

Isabella and her mother Alecia Storms, of Salem, Centreville, were players in the production LWML Gateway Zone presented for 2021 Spring Rally, Christian Women Honoring Jesus at All Stages and Roles of Life. This original production, written and directed by Lynda Kolzow of Sturgis, hopes to encourage others that "you have the talent within your zone" to give glory to God.



SUBURBAN LIGHTS ZONE

The ladies of Suburban Lights Zone made tie blankets and trimmed stamps during their Fall Zone Rally at Huntington Woods Lutheran in October.



MID MICHIGAN ZONE

The Mid Michigan Zone Rally at Zion, Auburn was the first time we planned Servant Event activities. Women made 40 eye glass cases and 150 Witness Bracelets for MOST Ministries. Gifts from the Heart collected enough items to fill 110 Birthday bags with various items to make a birthday party for a child.



SAGINAW VALLEY ZONE

Our zone had a "servant event" rally in October. We had eight serving events that benefited several charities in our zone. 45 women attended, and they said they all had a blast.



DEARBORN/DOWNRIVER

Guardian, Dearborn hosted 34 ladies for a Tea Luncheon on Saturday, October 23, 2021. Humorist and guest speaker Elaine Bickel gave an uplifting presentation with lots of humorous stories from her life experiences and career as a Lutheran school principal.



Upcoming Events & Deadlines:

- Feb 14 - Send a valentine to a missionary (more info on website)
- Mar 5 - Spring 2022 BoD Meeting
- Mar 15 - LWQ order deadline
- Apr 30 - End of Biennium - Send in those mites!
- Jul 7-9 - LWML 2022 District Convention, Frankenmuth

Mite Report

National

As of December 31, 2021
 Goal: \$2,150,000
 \$ Received: \$979,003

Michigan District

As of February 5, 2022
 Goal: \$348,438
 \$ Received: \$300,673

PLEASE NOTE NEW ADDRESS TO SEND MITES!

Send your mites to:

Carol Swenson
 Financial Secretary
 822 W Huron Avenue
 Vassar MI 48768

For Information call:

810-714-0405

WAYNE OAK HILLS

At our fall rally, held at Christ Our Savior, Livonia, we heard Linda Hollman, Director of Outreach, Assimilation, and Women's Ministry at Christ Our Savior share her experiences on a mission trip to Guatemala with MOST Ministries. As a servant event we assembled witness bracelets and gathered needed items for MOST as well. We enjoyed a morning of smiles, hugs, laughs and inspiration.



GRAND RAPIDS ZONE

In December St. James LWML in Grand Rapids hosted their annual Advent by Candlelight - "Dancing in HIS Light." Elizabeth and Mary led 42 participants to realize God chose them to carry the babies who would fulfill HIS plan of redemption. Together we celebrated what the coming of the Christ Child means for us, HIS chosen people. Together we "Danced in HIS Light!"

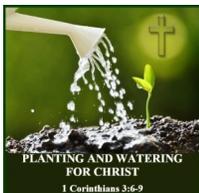


LAND OF LAKES

Like many churches, we are seeing a decline in young women in church and in our LWML activities. Jacki Parmer, one of Michigan's YWR's to the Lexington Convention offered to visit churches as part of her service as a YWR. We took advantage of her offer and incorporated it into a Young Women's Sunday. We defined a young woman a little more loosely-anyone raising kids or under 50. This is a demographic group we would like to see more of in our church and activities, but we realize there are many things competing for their time in today's world. The purpose of the day was not to recruit (although that might have been a side benefit), but just to recognize them in our church and group. We sent invitations to all young women, and followed up with a call. After the regular church service, they enjoyed a brunch while Jacki spoke about her experiences at convention and as a young woman in the church today. We provided child care for those with young children during the talk. Each woman was given a special gift to take home.

CROSSROADS ZONE

LWML Crossroads Zone Fall Rally, held at St. Timothy Lutheran Church had 34 people in attendance. Our hosts put a lot of work into contacting local churches. Theme: "Water Without Ceasing" based on 1 Cor. 3:6-9. Pastor Nevis led a devotion; the speaker was Marie Riley, District VP of Organizational Resources; held our business meeting; colored cards for "Phil's Friends; and the Zone gave \$400 to Mites.



IRISH HILLS ZONE

St. Paul, Hillsdale, MI, hosted a Women's Day Retreat for the ladies and guests of the Irish Hills Zone. St. Paul's pastor, Rev. Sean Willman, led our worship and Donna Snow's *Our Hope and Future* Bible study. Participants also made greeting/note cards. Health and beauty kit items were collected for a homeless shelter in Hillsdale.



GREATER DETROIT

The LWML Greater Detroit Zone held their rally at Historic Trinity in October. Vicar Nick Gapski of Family of God provided information on that ministry. After a discussion of the 2022 District convention, Kaye Wolff, LWML National Deaf Ministry liaison, in a special presentation, encouraged the Zone to become involved with District and community deaf ministries.

LWQ ORDERS

Your *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly* subscription is due by **March, 15, 2022**. The order form is on our website under Resources, Society Helps. You can also contact Melanie Kline at 989-423-1598.



Tell someone you love them!