

The Love Letter

Volume 43

August 2015

Lord of Love Office

Phone.....402.493.2946

Fax.....402.493.3087

Website...www.lord-of-love.org

Lord of Love Staff

Interim Pastor

Glenn Schacht

Director of Christian Education/Youth Ministry

Heather Christensen

heather@lord-of-love.org

Office Administrator, Prayer Chain, and Financial Secretary

Mary Lou Gustafson

marylou@lord-of-love.org

Community Therapists

Kim Mueller

402.354.6891, Ext. 13

Becky Herber

402.354.6891, Ext. 21

Missionary to Tanzania

Bob Kasworm

Web Steward

Del Gust

webmaster@lord-of-love.org

Love Letter Editor

Charise Adams

loveletter@lord-of-love.org

Senior Organist

Carol Novak

Associate Organist

Amy Kragnes

Chancel Choir Director and Bell Choir Director

Jon Novak

LOL Brass Director

Brian Lund

Worship Schedule*

Sun. 9 a.m.*.....Worship Service

*Through August 30

Mission Statement: Celebrating and sharing God's love in a welcoming community of faith, while serving others.

A Look Ahead

Can you believe it's almost time to head back to school? It's true for Sunday School, too - save the date for **Kickoff Sunday, Sept. 13**.

We've just welcomed our youth and their fearless adult leaders back to Omaha after the National Youth Gathering in Detroit, where they were part of the group of **30,000 youth!** Read all about the event from Heather's perspective - and see photos - starting on page 6.

Women of Love's activities are ramping up again! See page 11 for info on meetings this month, including planning for the NSWOC Convention. The women are also planning for the Fall Festival, so everyone save the date for **Nov. 7**.

Finally, you may notice what I hope are minor improvements to the newsletter layout and style over the next few months. Please feel free to send any feedback to loveletter@lord-of-love.org.



Table of Contents

Thought for the day.....	2	Mission.....	5
Worship/Nurture.....	2	Youth.....	6
Worship Servants.....	3	Church Council/Resources.....	9
Monthly Calendar.....	4	Women of Love.....	11
Outreach.....	5	In Our Prayers.....	15
		Mark Your Calendar.....	16

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

The Road of Life

God of our life,
there are days when the burdens we carry
chafe our shoulders and weigh us down;
when the road seems dreary and endless,
the skies gray and threatening;
when our lives have no music in them,
and our hearts are lonely,
and our souls have lost their courage.
Flood the path with light,
turn our eyes to where

the skies are full of promise;
tune our hearts to brave music;
give us the sense of comradeship
with heroes and saints of every age;
and so quicken our spirits
that we may be able to encourage
the souls of all who journey with us
on the road of life,
to your honor and glory.

—St. Augustine



WORSHIP/NURTURE

Musical and Culinary Guests

Sunday, August 9, Matt and Simone Weber from Table Grace Cafe will participate in worship at Lord of Love and provide special music.

Special Music



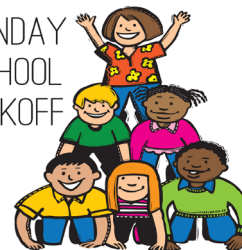
They will prepare breakfast for all to enjoy as well. Offerings will go to Table Grace Cafe. Please plan to attend!

Kick-Off Sunday: Save the Date

Kick Off Sunday is **September 13!** We will return to two worship services with Sunday School at 9:15.

We will also be having a congregational potluck, so please bring a favorite dish or two.

SUNDAY
SCHOOL
KICKOFF



Drinks will be provided. More information will come in the weekly bulletin and September Love Letter.

WORSHIP

Lord of Love's Worship Servants

	August 2	August 9	August 16	August 23	August 30
Greeter(s)					
9:00 a.m.	Roger & Angie Meyer	Tom & Beth Olson	Jim & Jeri Morgan	Lynda McGraw & E.J. Shaner	Kathy Christiansen /Paula Foster
Liturgist					
9:00 a.m.	Ron Thom	Rex Quadhamer	Matt Willard	Don Rowen	Judy Egr
Communion Servers					
9:00 a.m.	Edwards family	Deb Quadhamer Wayne & Joan Witt	Lisa Willard & Pat Brewer	Paul & Ann Kroll/ Claudia Rowen	Egr family
Altar Care					
9:00 a.m.	Connie Walther & Lisa Meyer	Janet Guthrie & Nancy Shinrock	Mardi Fiske	Paul & Ann Kroll	Joan & Wayne Witt
Nursery Care					
9:00 a.m.			Lisa Rieff	Ashley Meier	
CD Recording					
9:00 am	Pat Brewer	Paul Christenson	Dave Lueders	Paul Murphy	
Ushers					
9:00 a.m.	Kenn Garder, Matt Garder, Paul & Deb Christenson, Craig Pennell	Rett Messerschmidt, Rob Anderson, Paul Barnett, John Edwards	Kenn Garder, Matt Garder, Paul & Deb Christenson, Craig Pennell	Rett Messerschmidt, Rob Anderson, Paul Barnett, John Edwards	Kenn Garder, Matt Garder, Paul & Deb Christenson, Craig Pennell



MONTHLY CALENDAR

August 2015						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 7:00am Men's Breakfast Ministry 8:30am Novak Recital
2 9:00am Worship & Communion 10:00am Summer Breakfast	3 6:00pm Gather Bible Study 8:00pm AA & Al Anon	4 9:00am Quilters 7:00pm Vision & Coordination Mtg.	5	6 7:00pm Boy Scouts	7 7:30pm AA Meeting	8 7:00am Men's Breakfast Ministry
9 9:00am Worship & Communion 10:00am Summer Breakfast	10 8:00pm AA & Al Anon	11	12	13 7:00pm Boy Scouts	14 7:30pm AA Meeting	15 7:00am Men's Breakfast Ministry 12:00pm Fellowship Hall reserved
16 9:00am Worship & Communion 10:00am Summer Breakfast	17 8:00pm AA & Al Anon	18 9:00am Quilters 6:00pm Stewardship Mtg. 7:00pm Sunnyslope Neighborhood Assoc. 7:00pm Church Council Mtg.	19 6:00pm Mission Possible Mtg.	20 12:00pm "Aged to Perfection" Lunch 7:00pm Boy Scouts	21 7:30pm AA Meeting	22 7:00am Men's Breakfast Ministry 12:00pm Fellowship Hall reserved
23 9:00am Worship & Communion 10:00am Summer Breakfast 12:00pm Fellowship Hall reserved	24 8:00pm AA & Al Anon	25	26	27 7:00pm Boy Scouts	28 7:30pm AA Meeting	29 7:00am Men's Breakfast Ministry
30 9:00am Worship & Communion 10:00am Summer Breakfast 1:00pm District 18 AA Plng Mtg.	31 8:00pm AA & Al Anon					

OUTREACH

Habitat for Humanity Volunteer Opportunity

Lord of Love will host the Habitat for Humanity build again on **September 19**. We will need volunteers to serve a meal at noon, in addition to workers.

The subcontractors will install the HVAC and electrical the last week of July. By September, we should be into the finish work. So we will be doing cleaning, trim work and painting.

The address is 4105 North 23rd Street. Show up any time after 8:30 a.m. to volunteer. For any questions, please contact Jeri Morgan at 402.415.4976 or email jerrylmorgan@gmail.com.



MISSION

Mission Possible Update



Remember that summer breakfasts go **through Sunday, August 30**, with proceeds going to prison ministries through the Nebraska ELCA. Thanks so much for your generosity and support, as well as to all those who have prepared and served such wonderful meals!

Garden Update

As of this writing, the ears of sweetcorn are maturing quickly, and the "raccoon social media" is already broadcasting news of the tasty morsels. Summer squash, onions, carrots, beets, and potatoes have been harvested and taken to Project Hope. We will continue to reap produce on **Mondays and Thursdays at 9 a.m.**

Thanks to all who have so generously given of their time and energy to provide fresh vegetables for those in our community who would not enjoy such produce otherwise.

YOUTH

ELCA National Youth Gathering Recap, by Heather Christensen



How do you describe our experiences on a week-long journey to the National Youth Gathering in Detroit in only a few short paragraphs?

This trip was a time to grow in faith and to grow as a person. It was full of new experiences, providing service to others, meeting people from across the country, hearing about struggles and overcoming obstacles and considering how those stories relate to our life and proclaiming that Jesus is Good News! We sang, we danced, we laughed, we hugged, and, yes, we proclaimed that Jesus is Good News!

We traveled to Waterville, OH, on the first night and stayed at Zion Lutheran Church.

We spent the next morning cleaning 3 parks of garbage and fallen tree limbs (see photo above). The parks and recreation team were most grateful for our help.

After lunch, we loaded our bus and went the final miles into Detroit. Wednesday we had the opportunity to play at the “fancy pool” and did some swimming and enjoyed waterslides, lazy river and a wave pool.

Afterwards, we headed into downtown Detroit for our first night of congregating at Ford Field with 30,000 other Lutheran youth and their sponsors. Night after night we heard amazing music and messages from speakers whose stories shared
(continued on next page)

YOUTH

Youth Gathering, Continued

how they fought to ***break chains, build bridges, bear burdens, and bring hope.*** These were the daily themes of the Gathering.

We were encouraged to consider Detroit as an example, our hometown, or our life as an example of how we could find our way through oppression to hope through God.

Knowing that I am a Child of God and dearly, unconditionally loved, what can I do to make a difference? It was, at times, powerful and moving. What an impact that 30,000 rising up in praise can make!

Friday we spent the day with the Nebraska Synod and Bishop Brian Maas. We made new friends from across the state and found old friends from other events, or previous schools.

Our Proclaim Justice Day (community service day in Detroit) didn't turn out as planned due to an unfortunate car accident on the interstate. Our youth had great attitudes, continued to meet new people, and had their hearts in the right place.

So we improvised and cleaned up trash in Heart Plaza for our service so that it was clean for the next day's visitors.

We celebrated and enjoyed hearing what others then were able to do in the Detroit community the remainder of the week.



We found that we have a “super cool” bishop who is engaging and inspiring. Bishop Eaton shared her laughter, her faith struggles, her inspiration, her zip line, her community service and her experiences in Detroit with us. It was good for the youth to see that in a faith leader.

And so it was a wonderful week. Full of faith, fun, and hope. Now we take that faith, put it into action, and go give others Hope. **Jesus is...Good News!**



YOUTH

Youth Gathering, Continued



They call it a “Skittle Explosion” - all the bright colored shirts at Ford Field

During the Youth Gathering “Proclaim Justice Days”:

- 1 million diapers collected
- 1,425 backpacks distributed
- 3,200 vacant lots cleared of debris
- 319 vacant homes boarded
- 1,847 mural boards painted
- 36 urban gardens installed
- 99 picnic tables built
- 26 dumpsters filled
- 600 neighborhoods affected
- 78.8 gallons of blood (607 pints) donated

In addition to the need of Detroit residents, the youth and adults at the Gathering also learned about global needs, such as clean water. In response, the ELCA World Hunger’s Walk for Water exhibit raised more than \$402,000 during the event. **Lord of Love contributed \$2,055 to the Walk for Water.**

CHURCH COUNCIL AND RESOURCES

2015 Lord of Love Church Council

Vision and Coordination: Brian Walther, President; Dave Hild, Vice-President; Judy Messerschmidt, Secretary; Jackie Combes, Treasurer

Nurture: Susan Lueders and Lisa Willard

Outreach: Mardi Fiske and Scott Reinhardt

Resources: Craig Pennell and Bill Quackenbush

Worship: Heather Hansen and Joan Witt



Giving Status

General Fund financial information for June 2015:

Actual Income - \$21,650.00

Actual Expense - \$23,439.68



Financial Information Year-To-Date as of the end of June:

Actual Income - \$145,476.81

Actual Expense - \$156,653.80

Giving for 2015 is down over \$8,500 compared to this time last year. The weekly giving average for 2015 is \$5,487 compared to \$5,816 last year. Weekly expenses average \$6,025 for 2015. The weekly budgeted expense for 2015 is \$6,799. You can see that the council is being very careful with spending this year, down almost \$800 per week when actual spending is compared to the approved budget.

The Church Council wants you to know how much we appreciate your support. We thank you for all the contributions you make both financially and spiritually.

Stewardship: “Unglamorous yet vital”

By presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton

Posted on July 6, 2015 in [Reflections](#)

Our relationship with money is a profoundly spiritual issue

A church in the Northeastern Ohio Synod describes itself as a “50/50” congregation. It gives away half of offerings received. A significant portion goes to mission support, but the congregation also supports local projects and ministries. I visited this congregation on the day it was bringing in offerings for a special appeal. Somber parishioners came forward and placed their offerings in a basket before the altar (*continued on next page*).

RESOURCES

Unglamorous yet Vital, continued



Farther back in the congregation I noticed a girl, maybe five years old, sitting on her father's lap. She squirmed and wriggled until he gave her his

offering and set her loose. She came tearing down the aisle, check held high, looking for all the world as if she had won the lottery.

As she returned to her seat, I pointed out the joy of giving this little girl embodied. Someone from the congregation quipped, "It's not her money." I waited for a minute and then said, "No, it's her Father's money."

We have a conflicted relationship with money. We claim that it can't buy us love or happiness on the one hand but measure our worth and security by it on the other. We don't like to talk about money in church. We've talked about human sexuality in this church for years, but we don't talk about money. It's just beyond the pale.

I remember an interview with a call committee where I asked to see the treasurer's reports. I was told: "Oh no, pastor, you worry about spiritual matters and we'll worry about the finances." But our relationship with money is a profoundly spiritual issue. Our peculiar relationship with money can hold us in a kind of bondage.

Jesus knew this when he encountered a rich man who claimed to have kept the commandments from his youth but still felt something was missing. When Jesus told him to sell everything he had, give it to the poor and follow him, he "was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions" (Mark 10:17-22). He was possessed.

Giving is a spiritual discipline. It's a way for us to learn to live by faith. It's a way to participate in God's generosity and abundance. It's a way to move beyond ourselves. It's also a way for us to be connected one to another. Responding to the grace and prodigal love of God expressed in the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus, our giving is a communal act. Giving isn't a private thing any more than worship is. It's part of our life together.

Giving is a spiritual discipline.

I'm not talking about the ostentatious and self-serving giving that Jesus warns against in Matthew 6:2-4, but the intentional and, in her case, extravagant offering of the widow at the temple (Mark 12:41-44). Hers was a public act of faith and participation in the corporate life of the community.

How often does your congregation talk about money? **Read the rest of the article at <http://www.nebraskasynod.org/category/reflections/>**

RESOURCES

Stewardship, by Deb Lund

One of our responsibilities as children of God is to care for our earth. There were some great articles in the April Lutheran that are now available online. Here is a list from one of those articles:

Things individuals and families can do to help save the planet:

- **Get outdoors.** Turning off electronics and being out in creation — wherever you live — is the first (literal) step toward presence to the world.
- **Walk and bike on errands.** While human-powered transportation takes longer, it's fun and life-giving.
- **Eat less meat,** switch to locally produced meat and/or join a CSA (community supported agriculture) program to support local agriculture.
- **Pray outdoors** in all weather.
- **Get a home energy audit** and implement as many of its findings as you can.
- **Compost your food waste,** a big step toward reducing landfill volume, and use the results in a garden to grow your own food.
- **Get to know the neighbors:** migratory songbirds, native flowers, invasive species, honeybees and other insects. Avoid use of pesticides.



WOMEN OF LOVE

Calling all Women Singers!

We hope to have a women's group sing special music at the **August 16 worship service**. We'll go over the song (very easy!) after the women's bible study and lunch on **Saturday, August 15** at 12:30 pm at the Lund home, 4720 N 136 St.

For those who cannot attend that practice, we'll warm up at 8:30 a.m., Sunday, August 16 at Lord of Love. Hope to see you there!



WOMEN OF LOVE

“Gather” Bible Study Retreat

Don't forget the annual summer mini-retreat at the home of Deb Lund, 4720 N. 136th St., on **Saturday, August 15**. Follow your nose to the smell of freshly baked cinnamon and caramel rolls at 8:45 a.m. and then we'll go through the three summer Bible studies, “**No Catchy Slogans.**”



Mini-Retreat!

You can contact Deb Lund at 402-493-3721 to see if additional leaders are needed for the sessions. Please bring a salad to share at the noon luncheon.

The study looks at Scripture passages about giving. The author, former Women of the ELCA staff member Emma Crossen, writes in her introduction: “Giving money is an important topic for Christians to consider. All congregations need money to pay pastors, care for buildings, and support ministries. All people need encouragement and guidance about their relationship to money. It seems appropriate that the Bible gives so much attention to money and giving. Yet, it's too common to see Bible passages taken out of context, turned into catchy slogans, and enforced as rules Christians should follow.

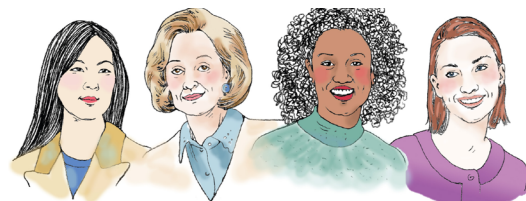
Download the lessons at <http://www.womenoftheelca.org/2015-summer-study-pages-188.php>.

“Gather” Bible Studies in 2015–16

Now is a great time to subscribe to the “Gather” magazine and participate in one of the Bible study groups (or get help in setting up a third group!) The new format starts in September with shorter sessions of 3 or 4 weeks.

Current study groups are scheduled the **first Monday of the month** (not Labor Day) at the Village Inn, 3304 S.143rd Plaza (near Oak View Mall) and the first **Wednesday of the month** at 6 p.m. in the Mary Room at church.

Another perk is that there will no longer be a separate leader's guide. Each lesson will have its own guide, helping all of us with supplemental information.



Bible Study for Women

“Gather”, the magazine of Women of the ELCA, offers a mix of articles, theological reflections, devotions and stories of comfort and challenge, that help readers grow in faith and engage in ministry and action. A print subscription is \$15 a year. Digital access (computer, iPad, Android) is free to print subscribers.

Send your subscription to Gather Subscription Order Center, Box 1553, Minneapolis, MN 55440-8730 or subscribe online at <http://www.womenoftheelca.org/gather-magazine-pages-49.php>

WOMEN OF LOVE

2015 NSWO Convention

The Nebraska Synodical Women's Organization of Women of the ELCA will hold its 12th biennial convention **September 18-20** at First Lutheran Church in Lincoln.



Registration is \$90.00 and the form is attached to this issue. Registrations should be **mailed by September 1**. The theme of the convention is the "Power of M." There are many "M's" in our Christian life and we will be exploring mini-themes of mission, mentoring, ministry, mercy, miracles, music and mediation, to name a few. And, we will enjoy muffins and M&Ms and share our favorite mugs.

Attendees will assemble Love Kits for women in homeless shelters. Please bring the following items (a box will be available for donations under the WELCA bulletin board for those who would like to donate but cannot attend the convention): gallon Ziploc bags, 12 x 12" wash cloth (no white), 2 fl oz. lotion, small mouthwash, 1.5 oz. baby powder, small brush, 1.4 oz. deodorant, small wire-bound notebook, toothbrush, 4 oz. toothpaste, bar soap, small comb, disposable razor, tampons, ball point pen and notecards.

The NSWO website has the complete weekend schedule, as well as registration forms for friends! See www.nebraskasynod.org/welca/

The convention hotel is the Chase Suite Hotel at 100 S. 68th place. Reservations must be made before August 26 to receive the convention rate. (see <http://www.chasehotellincoln.com/>)

Keynote Speaker and Schedule



The keynote speaker will be Pastor Brigitte Weier, intentional interim pastor at Lord of the Hills Lutheran Church in Centennial, Colorado. Pastor Juliet Hampton

will be the convention chaplain. Bishop Brian Maas will be present on Friday evening of the convention for a healing service.

Registration is from 1-6:30 p.m. on Friday. Those arriving early have the opportunity to attend workshops at 2:45 and 4:15. Following worship on Sunday morning, the convention will close at noon.



WOMEN OF LOVE

2015 NSWO Convention

Lincoln is a lot closer than Kearney and we're looking forward to having our convention there Sept. 18-20. We hope to bring several women to the convention in order to share hotel accommodations and possibly carpool, Ruth Manning is organizing a discussion group on **Sunday, August 9**. Pick up your breakfast and meet in the back of the Fellowship Hall.

If you have not made a decision about attending the convention, this is an opportunity to ask your questions.

Coffee Makes the World Go 'Round

Ladies Coffee Fellowship will meet at 8 a.m. on Friday, August 7 and 21, at Crane Coffee at 77th and Cass. Bring a friend!



Women's Ministry Team

The women's ministry team will meet at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 12 in the Mary Room. All women are invited to attend.



Dates to Remember

August

3	6 p.m.	Gather Bible Study, Village Inn 3304 S.143rd Plaza
4	9-12	Quilters, Fellowship Hall
7	8 a.m.	Crane Coffee Fellowship
12	6 p.m.	Ministry Team, Mary Room

Looking Ahead

Sept. 18-20	NSWO Convention in Lincoln, NE
Oct. 17	General meeting; 2016 ministry planning and election
Nov. 7	Fall Festival and Dinner



IN OUR PRAYERS

Antoinette Anania (cousin of Deb Lund)
Karen Beck
Chris Beckman (friend of Jane Gehringer)
Dick Bell
Connie Bennett (cousin of Karen Armitage)
Syd Brinkman
Patricia Connolly (friend of the Thoms)
Vicky Hays (friend of Ann Kroll)
Mary Howard (friend of Carol Novak)
Janet Jensen (mother of Dawn Burton)
Margret Kragnes (mother of Amy Kragnes)
Matt Kreikimeier (friend of Brenda Mac)
Glenna Lee
Lisa Lueders (sister-in-law of Dave Lueders)
Dan Manning
Charles Meyer (father of Pr. Brad)
Don St. Ours (brother-in-law of Lynda McGraw)

Cynthia Palmer (friend of Dave & Lisa Rieff)
Brenda Thom
Mark Miller
Vi Neu (stepmother of Carol Novak)
Brian Shinrock
Georgene Sones (mother of Dayla Miller)
Arlene Schultz (mother of Pat Brewer)
Drew Van Winkle (friend of Gustafsons)
Betty Wallwey (aunt of Shari Garder)
Ted Whitfield (former co-worker of Brian Shinrock)

Caregivers and those who suffer with depression.

Those Who Are Deployed

Steve Slone

If you would like to add a name to the In Our Prayers section, please contact the office at 402.493.2946, send an email to marylou@lord-of-love.org, or fill out a prayer request note available in the narthex and place it in the basket.

Please help keep this list current by informing us when a name can be removed.

Thanks!

LOVE NOTES

Jon Benson extends an invitation to the wedding of his daughter, Amy Kathryn, and Christopher Carol Brandt.

Saturday, Sept. 5, at 1 p.m.
St. John Lutheran Church
633 Willow Avenue, Council Bluffs



A cake reception will follow the ceremony.

The couple is registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond and Target. If you will attend, please reply by Aug. 15 to cbrandt25@hotmail.com.



10405 Fort Street
Omaha, NE 68134-1298

Return Service Requested

Mission Statement: Celebrating and sharing God's love in a welcoming community of faith, while serving others.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

This Month

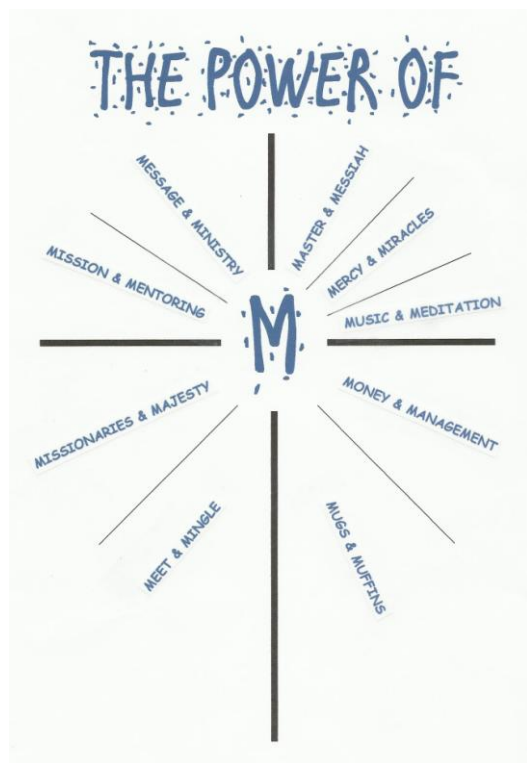
August 9 Matt and Simone Weber
August 19 Women's Bible Study
Mini-Retreat

Save the Date

September 13 Kickoff Sunday
November 7 Fall Festival



Articles for The Love Letter can be submitted to the editor in the Love Letter mailbox at church or by email at loveletter@lord-of-love.org. Articles (even recipes or favorite poems, etc.) must be received by the 20th of the month.



**NEBRASKA SYNODICAL WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION
OF WOMEN OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN
CHURCH IN AMERICA
TWELFTH BIENNIAL CONVENTION,
SEPTEMBER 18-20, 2015
FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH, LINCOLN NE
REGISTRATION FORM**

Registration is: \$90.00

Accommodations: are available at special rates if you reserve your room before August 26, 2015, at Chase Suite Hotel, 200 S. 68th Place, Lincoln, Ne. Individuals will make reservations by calling the hotel directly at 888-433-6183, 402-483-4900 or email

rswaink@chasesuitehotels.com

Reservations must be guaranteed by credit card or first night's deposit must be sent in advance.

Voting member (previously known as delegate) **registrations deadline: August 15, 2015**
Non-voting member (previously known as participant) **registrations suggested date by September 1, 2015**

Please **Print** Clearly or Type:

Name _____
Mailing Address _____
City _____ Zip _____
Phone (____) _____ Email _____
Congregation _____ City _____

☐ **I am a voting member** ☐ **I am not a voting member**
☐ **I have been awarded a scholarship**

Are you a scholarship recipient? ☐ No ☐ Yes

If yes, which one did you receive?

☐ First Timer ☐ Young Woman ☐ Beth Bohling

I am registering as:

☐ Board Member/Officer ☐ Conference Coordinator ☐ Appointee
☐ Vendor/Display ☐ Invited Guest

**Mark your NSWO
Conference:**

☐ Central
☐ High Plains
☐ Metro East
☐ Midlands
☐ Northeast
☐ Southeast
☐ Southern Prairie

Send registration form and \$90.00 to: Make checks payable to **Women of the ELCA**

JoAnn Rohrs
1409 10th Street
Auburn, NE 68305-1414
joannrohrs1409@yahoo.com

The NSWO Convention opens with:

REGISTRATION: at 2:00 pm on Friday, September 18th and 7:00 am Saturday, September 19th.

WORKSHOPS: begin at 2:45 pm on Friday, September 18th.

We will be exploring 'mini themes' of M&M's such as Mission & Mentoring, Message & Ministry, Master & Messiah, Mercy & Miracles, Music & Meditation, Missionaries & Majesty, and Money and Management. We will Meet & Mingle while we Munch on Muffins over a Mug of Fair Trade coffee or tea.

7:00 pm FRIDAY: HEALING SERVICE WITH BISHOP BRIAN MAAS

KEY NOTE SPEAKER: PR. BRIGETTE WEIER SERVES LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE MASTER IN LAKEWOOD, CO AS THE ASSOCIATE PASTOR OF YOUTH AND HOUSEHOLD MINISTRY.

CONVENTION CHAPLAIN: PR. JULIET HAMPTON, ASSISTANT TO THE NE SYNOD BISHOP

FRIDAY NIGHT HEALING SERVICE WITH BISHOP BRIAN MAAS

Tangible Offering items: (Kits will be put together in the "Servant Room" at convention.)

HOMELESS SHELTER KITS: (LOVE KITS for women in homeless shelters)

- *Gallon Ziploc bags*
- *12 x 12" wash cloth (avoid white)*
- *2 fl oz. lotion*
- *small mouthwash*
- *1.5oz baby powder*
- *small brush*
- *1.4oz deodorant*
- *small wire bound notebook*
- *toothbrush*
- *4oz toothpaste*
- *bar soap*
- *small comb*
- *disposable razor*
- *tampons*
- *ballpoint pen & note cards*