



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

ULC Friends. As you may already know we have 14 youth and 4 adults attending the National Youth Gathering this summer in Houston, Texas. There they will experience service in the community of Houston, learning, fun, time with our Eastern North Dakota Synod, and worship with 30,000 other Lutheran youth and adults from all over the country.

To attend the gathering we have to raise around \$27,000. We have been given the opportunity to raise these funds by cleaning the Ralph Engelstad Arena after hockey games. We have 3 cleanings, one in December and 2 in January. We will raise \$3,600 for just 3 cleanings. That is great money. Our biggest cleaning is Friday, January 5th at 10pm. We are cleaning the entire upper and lower bowl of the arena on this day.



This is where we are asking for your help. If you are able bodied and willing to help with this cleaning we would be very appreciative. We can use as much help as possible. There will be a sign up sheet in the narthex. Please sign up if your are available this day. Thank you for your continued support of the youth at ULC.



WELCA December "Wrap Up"

We had wonderful gathering to ring in the Christmas season on Saturday, December 2nd. Women and their guests enjoyed a tasty brunch, great music from the Central Madrigals and wonderful stories of Christmas pasts from Ken and Marge Dawes, Ken Kuhl, Greg Vandeberg and Paul Nordmark. Inez Tingelstad also played the piano and led us in carols. Heather Kallestad had started us off before breakfast with a beautiful devotion.

On December 17th, we met to vote on officers for 2018 and the annual distribution of WELCA funds to local and regional groups.

The officers for 2018 are:

President: Patty Olsen Vice President: Peggy Klockmann
Secretary: Shelly Meyer Treasurer: Janet Kuhl

A number of women will also continue to serve on our numerous committees. We are always looking for fresh faces if you are looking to volunteer.

The list of agencies and groups receiving donations from WELCA are as follows:

Lutheran Social Services	\$600
Christus Rex	\$500
Northlands Rescue Mission	\$300
Red Willow Bible Camp	\$300
Home Delivered Meals	\$300
Salvation Army Food Shelf	\$300
Feed My Starving Children	\$300
Women of the ELCA	\$300
Salvation Army	\$200
CVIC	\$200
NRM Backpack Program	\$200
Bethesda Society	\$200
Oak Grove High School	\$100
Park River Bible Camp	\$100
VMH Chaplaincy	\$100

Our next WELCA Board meeting is Monday, January 8th at 6 pm.

Happy New Year,
Patty Olsen, WELCA President



Please join the Joy Circle on Sunday, January 21 from 3-4pm in the lounge for fellowship and treats. We cannot wait to gather again with you wonderful ladies. If you need daycare please let us know and we can make arrangements. Hope to see you all there.

WOMEN OF THE ELCA 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.

WELCA Bible Study

Friday, January 12
10:00 a.m. in the lounge.
Led by Pastor Tom.

All women and friends of ULC are encouraged to attend.

Naomi/Rachel Circle

11:00am Friday, January 12
at the church

Mary/Martha Circle

9:30am Wednesday, January 17

Joy Circle

3:00pm Sunday, January 21
at the church

