

Women ^{of the} ELCA

South-Central Wisconsin Synodical Women's Organization

invites all women's ministries of every age to the

2023 BIENNIAL Gathering Event SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

Theme - Good Things Come in Small Packages

Bible Verse - Luke 12: 13-21

<p>Location MIDVALE COMMUNITY LUTHERAN CHURCH 4329 Tokay Boulevard, Madison, WI 53711</p>	<p>Business Meeting Business meeting - 8:15 to 9:15 am Registration for business meeting starts at 7:45 am Each congregation is invited to be represented at the business meeting with one (1) voting member. Please Register by August 31.</p>
<p>Opening Session begins at 9:30 Morning beverages - workshops Lunch - Afternoon workshops Closing Session at 1:35 Adjourning at 2:30</p>	<p>In-kind Gifts Non-perishable food items for the St. Mark's Lutheran Church food pantry and/or Spiritual/Devotional book drive for the Madison Area Jail Ministry Only Soft cover books, Spanish books especially needed, Suggestion list at https://scsw-elca.org/welca/</p>
<p>Offering Will Be Received @ Opening Session</p>	

<p style="text-align: center;">Attendance is FREE for Rostered Women Ministers</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">First Time Attendees receive a free 1 year subscription to The Gather magazine</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Registration on-line only early bird by September 9</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pay through Paypal or send a check to Sandy Seffrood, 8329 County Rd D, South Wayne, WI 53587</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Make Checks payable to WELCA or Women of the ELCA</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Day Camp for children 3 through 12 years is available</p> <p style="text-align: center;">You must register your child(ren) by September 9</p> <p style="text-align: center;">More information at https://scsw-elca.org/welca/</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Opening Session</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Bishop Joy Mortensen-Wiebe and Pastor Ellen Stelzle from St. John's Lutheran Church, Oregon, WI will lead worship using a liturgy to celebrate bold women.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Closing Session</p> <p>Bishop Joy Mortensen-Wiebe and Marie Leafblad, Associate to the Bishop for Leadership Support, will lead the Closing Session. Bishop Joy will install the new Synodical Board and Officers and recognize those whose terms are ending.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Workshop Opportunities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Second Harvest Foodbank of Southern Wisconsin ● Open Doors for Refugees ● Support, Advocacy, and Education –Alliance on Mental Illness ● Holding Hope for God's Creation ● The Chaos of Incarceration – Madison Jail Ministry ● Share a Quilt & Quilting tricks Show a quilt your women made ● Chocolate tasting & possibly chair yoga 	<p style="text-align: center;">Hotel Information For Friday, Oct. 6</p> <p>Women who wish to stay overnight Friday night need to make their own reservations directly with AmericInn Madison West by Wyndham, 516 Grand Canyon Drive, Madison, WI. Phone: 608-662-1990. Select the option to talk with the Front Desk, not "new reservation". Room rates are \$149 plus tax for a room with two queen beds. Please ask for Women of the ELCA when making reservations. Reserve your room by September 22.</p>

Opportunities to assist with the Gathering - Sign up here --

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084BADAB29AB9-2023> Meet new people and help the Gathering run smoothly. Thank you. More information, online registration, speaker & workshop description in the July Trumpeter and on the Women of the ELCA Synod web page <https://scsw-elca.org/welca/>