

## **Women of the ELCA Spring Gathering – East/West Conference**

Please mark your calendar to attend our spring gathering on **Saturday, April 22nd**, at Hope Lutheran Church, 3702 County Rd. AB, McFarland, WI. Registration with light refreshments will begin at 8:30am, and the morning program will begin at 9:00am.

We will have Jenny Czerkas from Extended Hands Pantry present a program titled: “Hunger is real right here in Dane County.” Jenny and her husband started the Extended Hands Pantry in 2019 when they saw a need to provide groceries and other household items to people living in the area. They currently operate as a curbside service at Lighthouse Church and School on Schroeder Road, Madison. They are a volunteer-driven, faith-based, non-profit organization with a two-fold purpose to provide food, and provide tutoring for children in low-income neighborhoods. Come learn more about this pantry, and the importance of providing food to families who are struggling.

We will have updates from our synodical women’s board, and learn about the Triennial Gathering in Phoenix in September 2023. We will end the morning with a salad luncheon at noon. Please bring a salad to pass. A free will offering will be collected with one-half to Women of the ELCA, and one-half to Extended Hands Pantry.

Please RSVP the number attending to Polly Carter at: [pfcart48@gmail.com](mailto:pfcart48@gmail.com)

**I hope to see many of you on April 22<sup>nd</sup> as we come together as a Community of Women in Christ.**

Polly Carter, Coordinator of East/West Conference