

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church Annual Report 2007

Ministry Team: Mission

Committee: Women of the ELCA

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Committee members: Betty Griswold, Mary Ann Wood, Lorraine Dagen, Phyllis Frankhouser, Nancy Weiss, LaRue Ketner, Sec., Deb High, Treas.

Programs initiated/continued:

Initiated: Speaker Professor Donald Kraybill—"Amish Forgiveness"—Program open to the public.

New Circle—Sunday-9:30-10:30 – exact schedule to be determined

Continued:

Bible Study: "Blessed to Follow, The Beatitudes as a Compass for Discipleship"

Fall Retreat

St. Paul Seniors Christmas Dinner

LWR Ingathering

Thankoffering Sunday

Blanket Making

Kitchen Oversight

Knitting Group

Friends of Luther Acres

Surprise Dinners for New Mothers/Special Needs

Dolls-New Babies and Baptismal Bibs/Napkins

Christmas and Easter Remembrances for Shut-ins

January Brunch—Open to all LCO Woman

Mission Awareness Sunday

Building Blocks of Hope—Bridge of Hope donation

Oversight of Narthex Furniture

Goals and outcomes of this committee over the past year:

All of the programs above were continued successfully. The Speaker Program and the January Brunch had very good attendance with many compliments.

The Organization continues to struggle with declining membership. The new Circle, which began in April, showed promise with eight women attending.

Direction, initiatives, and issues for the upcoming year:

Continue all existing programs, except Fall Retreat

Continue nurturing new Circle.

Urge Brickerville Lutheran Church Women of the ELCA to host January brunch as a LCO event.

Offer another Speaker program in the fall, which is open to the public.

Support sponsorship of a refugee family or a Bridge of Hope family.

Anticipated resources that will be required to achieve those items noted above:

Support by Pastors, staff and Council to nurture new Circle.

Financial support from all women members of St. Paul, to be able to do all the outreach and mission work.

COMMITMENT BY THE WOMEN OF ST. PAUL WITH THEIR TIME,
TALENT, AND TREASURE TO THIS VITAL FULFILLING MINISTRY.