

News from the Women of the ELCA

Women of the ELCA Fall Cluster

The Potomac Cluster had their Fall meeting on October 24 at the Arkansaw Community Center in Baker. Twenty-six women representing nine churches attended on a rainy day, including six women from St. John's: Grace Hill, Carroll Neal, Camille O'Rourke, Sally Schendel, Dora Ware, and Andrea Prytz. We enjoyed a day of worship, fellowship, learning, laughter, and a sumptuous covered dish luncheon. The theme was "Conserving Our Precious Resources". We shared joys and sorrows. Ruth Craig gave the devotional, and Synodical President Dolly Nilsen brought greetings from the Board. We played a biodegradability game, learning how long it takes various objects to degrade in a natural environment. We shared recycling and conservation tips. Kelly Knitter was elected to the Planning Committee. We voted to give \$100.00 to the Challenge Fund for seminarians, \$100.00 to the Scholarship Fund, and \$50.00 to Kara Propst, Potomac's seminarian. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend the Spring Cluster Meeting on April 17, 2010 in Baker.

Andrea Prytz
Women of the ELCA Co-President

From Women in the Fast Lane:

1. Fast Lane will be having Christmas crafts for the children after they have completed the graham crackers cookie houses.
2. Fast Lane will meet on Sunday, December 6, after 2nd service (this is a change). Bring something to nibble and a drink plus your favorite Christmas movie. We will meet in FLYTE room to have our meeting, order and eat pizza, and watch Christmas movies. We will change the quiet bags that day, too.
3. Fast Lane will meet at the Holiday Inn in Martinsburg on Tuesday, Dec 8 at 6:00 PM for our annual Christmas "party." Please feel free to come and bring a friend. We will chat and talk plus tell our favorite Christmas carols. Hope to see you there.

Thanks, Priscilla Horner

Thank you again to everyone who helped in anyway with our Fall Activities. We will have about \$3600 plus \$688.94 left from last year to disburse. Thank you to Thrivent for their \$1500 Care in Communities funding.

December 7 – Mustard Seed Christmas Teacher Appreciation Lunch at 1:00PM. If you can stay with the children for about an hour please let Betty Lou know

December 15 – St. John's Circle and Mary/Martha Circle Christmas Lunch at the Holiday Inn at 11:45PM. We will be collecting a special donation for Loaves and Fishes. Watch your bulletin in December for more information. **PLEASE CALL PAT WEINRICH (304-262-1745) IF YOU ARE COMING!**