Dear LWML-SWD Sister,

The Fall Retreat 2020 which was scheduled for September 11 and 12 2020 has been cancelled. This decision was made by the Executive Committee of the LWML-SWD due to the low registration and growing health issue concerns.

The current fall retreat committee is working on plans to offer resources and suggestions of "retreating" this fall from home or with your society. Watch for postings on the lwml-swd.org in September.

As members of the LWML-SWD you are encouraged to focus on the many blessings and opportunities we have to 'Serve the Lord' through the LWML. These opportunities include remembering the retreat ingathering and offering recipients.

Ingathering: The ingathering of diapers, wipes, over the counter children's medicine, shampoo and soap for the Concordia Theological Seminary food and clothing co-op will still be collected at the Fall Board Meeting on September 19, 2020 at Good Shepherd, Watertown.

Another opportunity for individuals, societies, and congregations to support Seminarians and their families is through the Christmas Marketplace. Donations of gift cards are shared with seminarians prior to Christmas. Information on gift card suggestions and how to donate will be posted on lwml-swd.org.

Retreat Offering: LCMS-SWD Hispanic Ministry (75%) and Female Church Workers (25%) These ministries can be supported by sending an offering to Marilyn Belter, LWML-SWD Financial Secretary. Marilyn's address is on the voucher found under the resource tab on the lwml-swd.org website.

Our future is in God's hands. As we remain faithful and trust in His promises our blessings and Joy in the Lord are multiplied. We respond to these blessings by serving others and sharing the Gospel of our Lord and Savior. We pray," God's will be done! Amen!"

In His Service, Cinda Poppe LWML-SWD President and EC, Connie Belter Fall Retreat Chairman, and Committee

Mark your calendars: "Jesus is the Light"

As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." John 9:5

Fall Retreat 2021 September 24-25 Radisson – Oshkosh