



LWML Retreat at Lutheran Island Camp Aug. 12-14

Pastor Stauty will lead the retreat Bible study this year on the theme verse,

"Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and light for my path" (Ps. 119:105 KJV).

Wanda Hall from the Twin Cities area will tell participants about her experiences with bringing the Light to Latvia in her short-term mission trips. She also will share how God brought the Light back into her life through the LWML.

Time will be set aside for relaxation and music.

Linda Jeske will teach a class of beginning knitting. New and experienced knitters can make "chemo caps."

LWML Retreat Registration Form

Name
Address
Phone
Email
Special Needs
Roommates
Choose your housing preference:
Cabin Retreat Center
Registration Fees: Friday-Sunday \$94 Friday-Box Supper (optional) \$55 Friday-Saturday \$57 Saturday Only \$30 (After Aug. 1, an additional \$10 fee for late registration will be charged.)
Registration deadline: Aug. 1 Make check payable to: LWML MN No District
Send registration to: Lutheran Island Camp 45011 230th St. Henning, MN 56551
For more retreat information, contact Mary Kuhnau 320-834-2135, or visit the district website: www.lwmlmnn.org

Counselor's corner

"The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all" (2 Cor. 13:14 NKJV).

June 19 of this year will be Trinity Sunday in most of our churches. It's that Sunday in the church year when using "the BIG creed"—the Athanasian Creed is prescribed.

But it wasn't always so. It appears this creed came into use in the fifth century in Gaul (southern France), well after the Apostles' and Nicene creeds.

So why was this creed created and why did it become so popular through the Middle Ages? It refutes even more clearly the errors of popular heretical teachings in vogue in that era—those of the Nestorians, the Arians, the Eutychians and the Sabellians. It did so by explaining the Trinity in greater detail than either of the other two did.

Why is that important to us today? After all, have you ever heard of any of those heretical groups mentioned earlier before? Is that, then, why we don't use the "BIG" creed any more because they're all ancient history?

The problem with that thought is that there still are many heresies around and people who don't like what our creeds have to say, especially the Athanasian. It explains the Trinity most emphatically and the two natures of the Christ as well.

We need to use all three creeds to help keep our faith firmly rooted, because many people around us would try to seduce us with their heresy, as has been done throughout history. If your church uses the Athanasian Creed on Trinity Sunday, consider carefully what it all says. And may our Lord use it to "firm up" your faith unto life everlasting.

> Pastor Henry J. Koopmann Park Region Counselor



LWML Children's Mission Adventure

The students (K-8) of Zion Lutheran School, Alexandria, recently participated in the LWML Children's Mission Adventure (a program for Lutheran day schools by the LWML this school year.)

A variety of activities took place: the children decorated and took home mite tubs to collect money; they received "My Thankfulness" calendars; and they had a "Mission Minute" at weekly chapel services, where they heard about and prayed for each of the 19 LWML mission grants.

Praise God! When this thirdquarter chapel project was completed, the weekly offerings and mite tub money totaled \$1,000. In addition, the children know a lot more about what the LWML does all around the world.