

## COUNSELOR'S CORNER

*"For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus."*

Rom. 3:22c-24

October 31 marks the 499th anniversary of Martin Luther nailing 95 theses to a church door in Wittenberg, Germany. Luther desired to engage in a debate about the practice of penance and the selling of indulgences by the Roman church of his



day. Luther's desire to debate and to listen to God's Word led to the reformation of the Church.

We are heirs of the Reformation and recipients of many treasures because of Luther's work. We can read God's word in our own language. We can receive both the body and blood of our Lord in His Supper. Our ordinary everyday callings (father, mother, worker, soldier) are honored as godly callings.

The greatest gift of the Reformation is the restoration of the Gospel — our righteousness before God is not based upon our works, but upon God's work in Christ. By Christ's death we are forgiven. That free gift makes for a very happy 499th Reformation.

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## 75 years of LWML

The LWML is celebrating 75 years of serving our Lord in mission.

Here's what's happening:

- ▶ The web page [lwml.org/75](http://lwml.org/75) will share "75th Anniversary Happenings."
- ▶ A special anniversary page will appear in the *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly* magazine through the Fall 2017 issue.
- ▶ Information about the LWML, past and present, will be posted on Facebook.
- ▶ Check out Twitter posts — there will be some you will want to re-tweet.

Get ready, get set and plan to attend the Diamond Dazzle Gala Celebration on Saturday, June 24, during the 37th Biennial LWML Convention in Albuquerque, N.M.

The evening will begin with a Presidents Parade that will include all current and past LWML district presidents that are attending the convention. It will continue with a celebration like no other. You won't want to miss it.

Wear your "bling," dress up if you like and come enjoy the party!

## YOUth in Mission

The Committee on Young Women is responsible for the oversight of LWML YOUth in Mission (formerly known as Teen LWML). Visit [lwml.org/youth](http://lwml.org/youth) to find out more.

The objectives are to:

- ▶ Suggest ideas on how to make YOUth feel as though they are valued members of the body of Christ and the LWML.
- ▶ Connect YOUth with the big picture of LWML and its mission.
- ▶ Equip mentors with resources to engage youth in opportunities for spiritual growth, mission and service.
- ▶ Provide ideas for YOUth in Mission activities that encompass multiple generations.

"But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light." **1 Peter 2:9**

## Young women ... join the fun!

Young Woman Representatives (YWR) are being sought to attend the LWML Convention June 22-25 in Albuquerque, N.M. YWRs will have opportunities to:

- ▶ Learn about the LWML.
- ▶ Participate in special YWR activities.
- ▶ Complete mission projects.
- ▶ Meet new friends and have fun!

The Young Women Representative application forms can be found at [lwmlmnn.org](http://lwmlmnn.org) and in the 2016 Fall Packet handed out at your fall rallies.

For more information about YWR activities or to apply, contact Beth Dinger, YWR chairman, at [youngwomen@lwmlmnn.org](mailto:youngwomen@lwmlmnn.org).



## News wanted

Do you have a society or zone event that you would like to share?

Please send your article and pictures to [editor@lwmlmnn.org](mailto:editor@lwmlmnn.org) or mail them to Marilyn at the address at right.



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