

May 2021 Zone Presidents Reports

Benton Zone

Benton Zone LWML Spring Rally
Saturday, May 22, 2021
Registration: 12:45-1:00 Rally: 1:00-5:00 pm
First Lutheran Church 1523 Sunset Drive, Belle Plaine

Please bring: Bibles for study
Offerings - 1/2 to zone treasury & 1/2 to mites Ingathering will be for missions
(cash donations or write checks to Benton Zone LWML)
Theme: "Where's the Seed?" Bible Verse: John 12:24

Speaker: David Fiala, LCMS Mission Advocate

In that position, Mr. Fiala helps identify, recruit, and assist in the deployment of lay and ordained missionaries worldwide.

Dubuque Zone

No inperson rally will be held. Offering will be taken up toward Orphan Gran Train Mission Grant and will be sent to the district in mid-June

Dubuque Zone also held its first board meeting in a year. We met virtually, and have voted to continue to do so, since our churches are spread apart. We are all much more comfortable with Zoom and such that we were pre-pandemic.

We were also thrilled to welcome back the Ladies of St. John's Monticello. They are now active after several year of inactivity.

Clinton Zone

The Clinton Zone held it's Spring 2021 Gathering at Grace Lutheran Church, DeWitt, on Saturday April 10th from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Rev. Eric Obermann, Clinton Zone counselor and Pastor at Grace led the Bible study based on Matthew 16 and it was also a preview of our zone's fall retreat theme of "Christ – Our Solid Rock".

The business meeting followed the Bible study, with emphasis on the Fall Retreat on Sept. 11 that our zone will be hosting for the district at Camp Iodiseca. Pres. Kistler was our district representative.

\$407.00 was collected as our offering – half goes to district mites and half remains in our zone for delegate expenses to the national convention. Fran Beer will be our delegate to Lexington this June. 18 women were present, with 1 pastor and 1 guest.

Davenport Zone

Davenport Zone Rally April 17, 2021 Welcome and Pledge

Ingathering for Seminary Students \$318

Breakfast and - offering for Zone Expenses \$220

Bible Study by Pastor Brad Ferch Psalm 91:1-4 My Refuge and My Fortress

This is a song in Time of War and Pestilence

Guest speaker by video Carolyn Zimmerman Leadership Mission Grants Business

President Margaret's letter read

Video of "I am the Heart of LWML

Closing prayer

Fall Rally 30 in attendance plus 1 pastor

St Ansgar Zone

The St. Ansgar Zone held its Spring Rally on April 17 at St. Peter Lutheran Church, Elma. Pastor Korth had opening devotions. Our Zone counselor, Pastor Korth led us in bible study on Hebrews 12: 1-17. The Christian Life Committee of Pat Heddens, Denise Gerds and Jan Kruger presented the skit "The Storms of Life". Our speaker was Rev. Keith Haney from Iowa West District Mission Outreach. His speech he entitled "Culture in America Today". Our ingathering was for the Riceville Food Bank. We gathered money and several boxes of items for them. The Orphan Train trailer was filled and the back of a pick-up truck. We had 26 members, 2 pastors and 6 guests. Our offering was \$349.00.

Waterloo Zone

The Waterloo Zone held our annual Prayer Service on Saturday March 13 at St. John Lutheran Church in Reinbeck. 20 ladies (4 of whom were from the Marshalltown Zone) 2 Pastors and Vicar attended. The Theme was Praying with Others.

Waterloo Zone Spring Rally will be July 10 at Peace Lutheran in Shell Rock. Details have not yet been finalized.

Our zone ladies continue to work on plans for the 2022 District Convention, Anchored in Christ.

Westgate Zone

Westgate has a new Zone president as of April 17, 2021. Faith Swenson (myself) was installed by Pastor Holmen at the Spring Rally.

The Westgate Zone LWML spring rally was held on Saturday, April 17th, 2021, at 9 AM at St Paul Lutheran Church in Sumner. The theme was, "Here I Am Lord" based from Isaiah 6:8. Speaker was Rev. Jon Ellingworth on his trip to Israel. Gifts from the heart went to Fun in the Sun Daycare at Fredricksburg. We had 50 people in attendance.

I have been starting up communication with the Westgate Zone Board and societies. I am working on meeting with the societies in the Zone to hear about their joys and struggles.