



**LWML**  
Lutheran Women *in Mission*

**65th ANNIVERSARY – Trinity Women’s Guild was organized on February 18, 1958 with the motto, “In His Service”. The 28 charter members signing the constitution were:**

Mrs. Ruth (Fern) Ackerman	Mrs. Ernest (Oma) Miller
Miss Grace Ackerman	Mrs. Raymond (Naomi) Minden
Mrs. Hanna Bearden	Mrs. Beulah Parker Kimbro
Mrs. Edward (Ione) Blanck	Mrs. Mary Pohlod
Mrs. Loren (Gladys) Boesdorfer	Mrs. Carl (Harriett) Renken
Mrs. Joan Brown	Mrs. John (Minnie) Renken
Mrs. Theo (Mary) Brown	Mrs. Kenneth (Kathryn) Sanders
Mrs. John (Kathryn) Dowson	Mrs. Anna M. Seifert
Mrs. Grace Greeves	Mrs. Roy (Margaret) Seifert
Mrs. R. A. (Lenora) Haak	Mrs. Walter (Rickie) Seifert
Mrs. Helmerich (Dora) Helmerichs	Mrs. Frank (Rebecca) Seiz
Mrs. Herman (Virginia) Helmerichs	Mrs. Jack (Shirley Ann) Smith
Mrs. Harold (Pat) Jaeger	Mrs. George (Irene) Sokol
Mrs. Frances Mellinger Booth	Miss Frieda Visser

**WOMEN’S GUILD MEMBERS as of JANUARY 1, 2023**

Emily Fuller	Marie Schober
Ruth Hallerberg	Alice Steljes
Beth Heren	Jewell Trost
Judy Hurst	Joyce Wanless
Amy Kaufmann	Holly Wietfeldt
Rita Kofoed	

**Trinity Women’s Guild meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 9:30 a.m. (No meetings in July and August). We extend a cordial invitation to the ladies of Trinity to join us.**

**Over the past 65 years, Trinity Women’s Guild has had many members who have “SERVED the LORD with GLADNESS”. We thank God for their dedication and hard work.**

During the past 65 years the Women's Guild has undertaken many projects. Fundraising Projects have included:

First was the traveling basket  
Sold Watkins products  
Prepared & served lunches at farm sales  
Sold Christmas cards, cookbooks, rag rugs  
Sponsored a cooking school  
Prepared & served lunch for ADM Elevator  
Made a Log Cabin quilt in memory of Frieda Visser  
Had numerous bake sales & "bakeless" bake sales

Had silent auctions & birthday offerings at Guild meetings  
Had a general store at Auburn's centennial celebration in 1965  
Had a food stand for 2 days at Farm Progress Show near Auburn 1966  
Had 12 rummage & bake sales 1970-1981 & had bazaar items some years

There have been many Service Projects in 65 years. Such as: Sponsored a church picnic in early church years and had annual church cleaning, purchased items for the church kitchen, educational wing, parsonage, and multi-purpose room and also purchased a piano and donated to organ funds.

The Guild adopted 18 students from Concordia Seminary, Springfield, IL with financial help and grocery showers. Sponsored Mother-Daughter Banquets/Teas, served Lenten suppers, and hosted senior citizen luncheons for our congregation.

The Guild hosted and co-hosted five Springfield LWML Zone Fall Rallies, assisted with three District LWML Conventions in Springfield, and assisted with a National LWML Convention held in Peoria in 2011 hosted by the Central Illinois LWML District. We have sent three delegates to National LWML Conventions.

The Guild has collected "Gifts from the Heart" for LWML Fall Rallies and District Conventions, organized making plastic mats for the homeless and marked Gospel passages in Bibles which were included in the mats, oversaw coloring Cards of Hope for cancer patients for Phil's Friends and making Prayer Blankets, collected Box Tops for Education, collected Stamps for Missions, and organized collecting socks, hats, and gloves for Auburn Helping Hands.

We participated in LWML Springfield Zone projects such as Prison Ministry Angel Tree, Baby Shower/Tea for Pregnancy Care Center of Springfield, and Safe Families for Children. These are just a few of the projects done over the past 65 years.

#### PROJECTS WE CONTINUE TO DO ARE:

Collect Mites for Missions  
Make Baptismal Banners & Napkins  
Serve Funeral Dinners  
Bake Welcome Breads

Send get well & sympathy cards & cards to shut-ins  
Sponsor a student at St. Louis Concordia Seminary  
Collect for Recycling – Portals of Prayer

WE THANK THE MEMBERS OF TRINITY WHO HAVE HELPED WITH GUILD PROJECTS AND WHO CONTRIBUTE to the "BIG MITE BOX" for MISSION GRANTS.