

Pacifica Partners

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We are pleased to share with you the following news, information and ministry opportunities taking place within our area. If you have items to share about the ministries happening through your congregation, please email Djana Venolia at dvenolia@yahoo.com.

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Mission

To mobilize women to *Act Boldly* on their faith in Jesus Christ.

From the President's Desk



Your Pacifica Synodical Board has met for the first time in 2018! We met at Gloria Dei in Dana Point where we will hold our March Event. While the March Event was a big focus of our meeting, Jackie Severa will chair a smaller group including Melissa Anderson and Viola Angebrandt to finish all details that are involved in our March Event. Daneen Pysz was present and gave us some information on the type of program she gives about women of the Bible. Her bio is found here:

2018 March Event. Really do think all of you will enjoy what she is planning. It will be a highlight for sure! The registration form is in this newsletter so please get yours sent. Bev Covey will be our new registration person for the March Event as

well as convention.

A convention planning team has also been appointed and will begin work soon. The members are Melissa Anderson, Kandie Hulme, Rosemarie Peterson, and Jackie Severa from the board. They will be joined by Gerri Licke and Joanne McGavran and then myself as ex officio. We have had two absolutely fantastic keynote speakers the last two years so wondering if someone has an idea for a different type of format – can't let things get stale you know! Please let any of these women know your ideas.

And of course, start planning now to attend – November 2-3, 2018. The site has not yet been selected but it will be in the Inland Empire. It will be at a church site with hotel and perhaps a shuttle service available.

We do know that our Churchwide director, Linda Post-Bushkofsky along with a churchwide rep (yet to be announced), will be attending our convention. Both can be “put to work” or not. At the very least, both will be visiting with as many attendees as they can so they can get a picture of who we are here in Pacifica.

I want to keep talking about the newsletter and our website. Because we have a new editor, it always takes some time to make a transition. You can visit the website, www.pacificawomen.org, and under **News and Events**, there is a yellow button on which to click and sign up to get the newsletter emailed. If you attended the convention last fall and gave us an email address, you should already be signed up. Did you get an email and receive the Nov-Dec issue? If not, let us know. And if you don't have access to a computer and need to receive a hard copy, first check with your church office and see if they will print you a copy as they should have received an email copy. And it is on our website under **Resources & Links**. But if your church office is unable to print a copy for you, please let me know. We will be working on linking women who do receive via email and those who cannot. Everyone should be able to receive our newsletter if they wish – so help us reach that goal!

Anew in Christ!

President Eunice Hanson

[Pacifica Partners January Newsletter in Spanish](#)

Pacifica WELCA Event



Pacifica WELCA March 2018 Event
Christ Within Us - 03/03/2018
Gloria Dei Lutheran, Dana Point.
Normally the time frame is from about 9 am to 3 pm.
To register contact Beverly Covey
e-mail: beverlycovey@sbcglobal.net
phone: 858-278-6538
For more details visit **2018 March Event**.

Pacifica Synod Women ^{of the} ELCA

Christ Within Us Registration

03/03/2018

9:00 am

Gloria Dei Lutheran

33501 Stonehill Drive
Dana Point, CA 92629

\$25 This event is from 9 am – 3 or so pm
includes continental breakfast & lunch.

Please make check payable to:

Pacifica Women of the ELCA

Mail to:

Bev Covey 3718 Mt Almagosa Pl. San Diego 92111

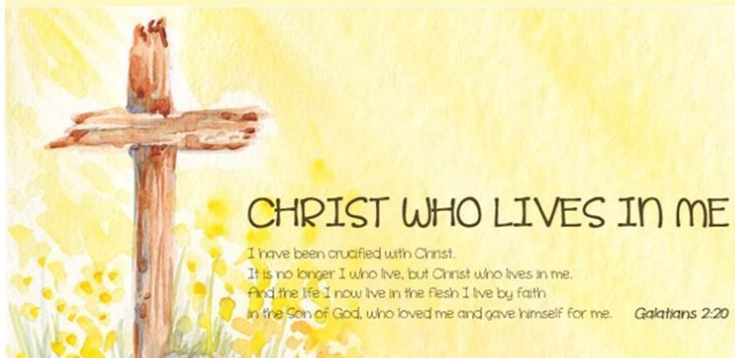
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Happenings



Luther Glen Barn Raising Fundraising Event

Saturday, June 9

3:00pm to 8:00pm

3-5:00 Activities/Silent auction

5-5:30 Presentation/Blessing

5:30-6:30 Eat

6:30 Live auction

Please RSVP to office@lrcchome.com

If you have any questions, please email Lauri Egertson at lauri@lrcchome.com



Celebrate the bold women in your life.

Sunday, February 25

Bold Women's Day—observed annually on the fourth Sunday of February—celebrates all Lutheran women who have acted or are acting boldly on their faith

in Jesus Christ. Some women are bold in their unceasing prayers. Other women are bold in their service to those in need. Still other women are bold in their advocacy or through their hospitality. Whether we live out our bold story of faith in the workplace, family home or community, our faith compels us to make a difference in the lives of others. It's all about living out our baptismal call, about being a disciple of Christ. Are you bold?

CELEBRATE WITH THESE BOLD RESOURCES

Finding Your Bold: An Ice-Breaker

A Bold Life of Faith: Katharina von Bora Luther - **English / Espanol**

Act Boldly bookmark

Act Boldly for Health: Three-part Bible study

* Session one: **Act Boldly with Balance**

* Session two: **Act Boldly in Crisis**

* Session three: **Act Boldly toward the Goal**

Act Boldly for Mission: Three-part Bible study

* Session one: **With the Message of Jesus**

* Session two: **Like the First Evangelists**

* Session three: **In the Power of the Holy Spirit**

I Am She - **English / Espanol**



The theme of the 2018 Gathering, “This Changes Everything,” is based on Ephesians 2:8, “By grace you have been saved...”

Every three years, 30,000 high school youth and their adult leaders from across the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America gather for a week of faith formation known as the ELCA Youth Gathering. Through days spent in interactive learning, worship, Bible study, service and fellowship, young people grow in faith and are challenged and inspired to live their faith in their daily lives.

Read more about the theme and the plans ahead for the Youth Gathering.

Contact

ELCA Youth Gathering,
8765 W. Higgins Rd, Chicago IL 60631

888-411-ELCA

gathering@elca.org

2018 Gathering timeline at a glance

July 15, 2017 – Financial assistance application opened

Sept. 15, 2017 – [Registration opens](#) and early bird rate begins

Nov. 16, 2017 – Regular registration rate begins

Feb. 16, 2018 – Late registration rate begins

May 15, 2018 – Registration closes and all payments are due

June 24-27, 2018 – [MYLE](#) and the [tAble](#)

June 27-July 1, 2018 – [ELCA Youth Gathering](#)



Important notes



Welcome to 2018 and the Gospel of Mark!

This year we will witness God breaking into our world in a new and fresh way. From the very beginning of this gospel, God rips open the heavens and enters the world. When God breaks and enters, there is no going back!

Throughout this Gospel, we will witness Jesus pushing boundaries, literally and physically, as he reaches to the fringes of society and makes them his followers. Jesus blazes new trails, makes bold statements, and shows us what it looks like when God is on the loose.

God is on the loose in Pacifica WELCA! We were so pleased with the willingness of your Pacifica WELCA Board to make the last convention bilingual. This demonstrates a desire to follow Jesus as he pushes boundaries and helps us imagine something new. It shows your commitment to trust and believe that the this Church belongs to all races, all languages, all nationalities, all people.

The action of inclusion follows the example of Jesus in The Gospel of Mark. If there is any boundary or a barrier, Jesus is going to cross it.

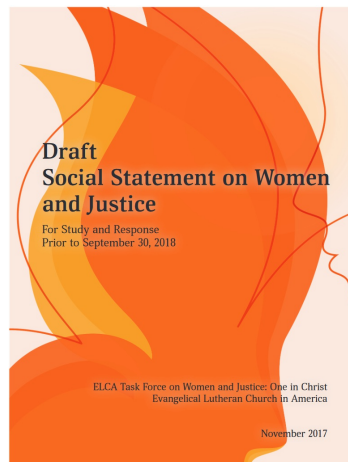
Where will Jesus boldly lead us this year? I'm excited to find out!
Our God is bold, confident, loving and welcoming. Let' us follow!

Pastor Karla Halvorson, San Marcos Lutheran Church, San Marcos, CA



Let's End Human Sex Trafficking

At the 2014 and 2017 Women of the ELCA Triennial Conventions, voting members voted to bring awareness to and prevent human trafficking. Pacifica Women is looking for ideas to start an awareness campaign. Send your ideas to dvenolia@yahoo.com and to learn more visit **Human Trafficking**.



Draft Social Statement on Women and Justice

The ELCA Task Force on Women and Justice: One in Christ invites you to read and evaluate the “Draft of a Social Statement on Women and Justice.” All the resource is available *here*.



Calling all past staff!

Without support from you, LRCC's Winter Retreats wouldn't run! We depend on having past staff that love behind the scenes work, such as dishwashing, splitting firewood, assisting in programming elements and other tasks. Previous experience or skills aren't necessary, but servant hearts are!

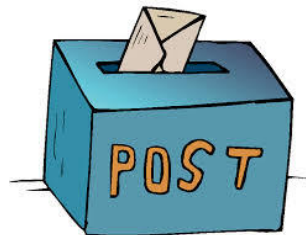
If you are interested in volunteering at one of our Winter Retreats please contact:

For El Camino Pines

Wesley Menke - wesley@LRCCHome.com

For Luther Glen

Nate Maxwell-Doherty - nate@LRCCHome.com



Submit a letter to the Editor!

We want to hear from you, send us an email to dvenolia@yahoo.com with suggestions, ideas for events, bible studies, and to let us know about a community event you would like to share with all Pacifica WELCA Members.



Kind regards,
Pacifica Synod Women of the ELCA



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