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From the President's Desk



March Zoom Event. It has now been a year since we last met for an event in person. Which was our March Event held at Hope Lutheran in Palm Desert. This year we had a Zoom event and it was only attended by a few people. Those of you who missed it also missed meeting one of our Chicago churchwide staff member, Valora Starr, who is the liaison from staff to our region. She gave an opening Bible Study/Devotional and closed us in prayer. Gwen Edwards, our webmaster also was in attendance. Thanks to her suggestion, most of the ideas that were shared will be posted on our website later this week. It is not quite the same as hearing them in person or hearing the passion for them in their voices. Yet you may get some ideas for your unit/church.

May 8th Zoom – The Simplicity of Life, A Danish story about Humility, Society, and Faith

After Pastor Gloria's presentation in January and acting upon her suggestion, the board agreed to hold a Zoom event every other month. We counted the March Event as the next one after January. I am happy to announce Pastor Anne-Grethe Krogh Nielsen will be presenting on Saturday, May 8th at **1:00 p.m.** She says it will center on the Danish hymn writer and Lutheran church reformer, N.F.S. Grundtvig and how history formed the Danish way of living and being a society, where "few have too much and less too little". Pastor Anne-Grethe closed our November 2020 Zoom Event with a wonderful meditation and prayer and she is currently serving Emanuel Danish Lutheran Church in Yorba Linda.

Here is the Zoom Link for this event:

Topic: PACIFICA W-ELCA ZOOM EVENT

Time: May 8, 2021 12:30 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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July 10th Zoom – Pastor Stephanie Lape

Pastor Stephanie will be our presenter for a July Zoom Event. She is currently serving Cross & Crown Lutheran Church in Rancho Cucamonga. She has written a book titled “Beckoned, Hearing God’s Call to Deeper Faith”. She was recommended to me by two board members and one past board member – so we look forward to hearing from her! We will have more details in our June newsletter.

Rev Juli Patten.

Many of you know and/or remember Juli Patten from HI and who accepted a board position the very first time she attended a Pacifica W-ELCA convention on a scholarship. See the article below regarding her installation service.

November convention – in person or virtual??

It is a bit early to decide whether we can meet in person for our November convention. Our next (likely still by Zoom) board meeting is usually in June. Hopefully by then, we will have a good idea whether we can meet in person. Even by now, most of our loyal attendees have been vaccinated so would feel safe in meeting in person by November. In May our Synod Assembly will meet virtually so we may learn more about being able to vote virtually. Also our churchwide Women of the ELCA will be meeting first to approve a constitutional amendment to allow virtual conventions and then hold one in August that was postponed from 2020.

The Triennial Gathering was postponed from July 2020 to August 2021 has now been cancelled. Our next Triennial Gathering will be held in Phoenix on the normal schedule of 2023 except it will take place the week of September 18, 2023 – it may be a little cooler in Phoenix then! If you were registered for July 2020 you may still let it hold over for 2023, or you may transfer/gift it to someone else, donate the funds back to Women of the ELCA, or request a refund. If you had hotel reservations and they were at the Sheraton or Hyatt, your rooms have been cancelled and the deposits are being refunded. If you had reservations at another hotel, you need to cancel them directly. Go online to www.womenoftheelca.org for answers to more questions – or call or email me or the churchwide office.

To donate: Maybe you have never noticed – but there is a donate button on our [website](#). Look under about us and then donations and payments. Since we are not meeting in person, this is one way you can continue to support our Pacifica W-ELCA. Of course you can mail your unit or personal offering to our treasurer: Laura Ortiz, 501 J Street, Chula Vista CA 91910. We have not been asking for registrations or fees for our Zoom meetings so it is even more important for you to utilize other ways to give so our organization can continue to function. You can also go to the churchwide website www.womenoftheelca.org and sign up for “Faithful Friends” under the donate button.

Anew in Christ!

President Eunice Hanson



On Sunday, March 21, the Rev. Juli Patten was installed as pastor of Christ Lutheran, San Clemente. Bishop Andy was able to be with Pastor Juli and the congregation for a small, outdoor installation service.

Pastor Juli began her ministry with Christ Lutheran on February 21. The ministry is a second career for Pastor Juli, who had a full and satisfying teaching career in Hawaii before graduating from Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary in Berkeley with a Master of Divinity degree and completing a one-year internship at Davis Lutheran in Davis, California.

Pr. Juli and her wife, Michelle, who has her own consulting company and works from the comfort of their home, have relocated to San Clemente from the small town of Waianae on Oahu's leeward coast. Between them they have five grown children.

Congratulations to Pastor Juli and Christ Lutheran as they begin their ministry together!

Source: [Pacifica Synod News & Notes](#)

In Memoriam

March 29, 2021:

We are saddened to share the news of a much loved and past president of Pacifica Women of the ELCA passing away last month.

Margaret Volkmann passed away at home with Jack by her side as he almost always was. Margaret was very active at Clairemont Lutheran Church for many years, in W/ELCA as vice president and then president of the Pacifica Synodical Women of the ELCA and as a part of the Hope Circle. She sang in the choir for many years. She loved to share her Christmas centerpieces with Golden Leaguers at their annual Christmas dinner, and at her home when she hosted events.



A Memorial service will be held on Saturday, May 15th at 11 am, at Clairemont Lutheran Church, 4271 Clairemont Mesa Blvd, San Diego CA 92117.

Please pray for Jack and their two sons and families:
Jon and Dr Marta Volkmann and granddaughter, Sarah
Brad Volkmann and grandsons, David and Daniel

Cards may be sent to:
Jack Volkmann
2206 Camino de las Palmas
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Mark Your Calendar

April, Share *Pacifica Partners* with members

May 8, Zoom Event

July 10, Zoom Event

Do you have events within your Congregational Unit that you want to invite other ladies to attend? That you want listed in this "Mark Your Calendar" section? If so, please e-mail them to pacificipartnerswelca@gmail.com.



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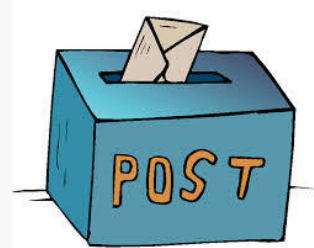
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