

Carolinas Lutheran Women

As sisters in Christ, led by the Holy Spirit, we dedicate ourselves to serve God by using the gifts we have received to reach out to others.



July 31, 2026

Dear NALC & LCMC Congregations in the Carolinas and neighboring states,

The Carolinas Lutheran Women (CLW) Council joyfully invites you to our **Sixteenth Annual Convocation** this October, hosted by Organ Lutheran Church at Faith Lutheran Church. We would be honored to have the women of your congregation join us for a day of faith, joy, fellowship, and worship!

“The Oil of Gladness”

Speaker: Pastor Marty Ramey

Saturday, October 17, 2026

8:30am Registration

9:00am-2:30pm Program, Activities, & Worship

Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church

205 S Main St. Faith, NC 28041

For this year’s Convocation, we’ll explore the **healing oils and herbs of the Bible**. Our prayer is that everyone leaves feeling renewed, encouraged, refreshed by His Word, and reminded of the hope, comfort, and love God pours into our lives each day.

We hope you’ll share this invitation with women of all ages in your congregation. Come with friends from church, bring your daughter, mother, sister, or neighbor—or come on your own. All are welcome as sisters in Christ.

Enclosed you will find the Registration Form and Nomination Form.

- Please make copies of the Registration Form for each attendee, include the \$10 registration fee per person (lunch provided), and mail to CLW Treasurer by **September 30, 2026**. Mailing address is listed on form. *Please make checks payable to Carolinas Lutheran Women*. Or you can go online to register www.carolinaslutheranwomen.org/upcoming-events
- Yearly contributions may be sent at any time to Linda Ketner, CLW Treasurer, 2824 Irvin Lane, Sugar Grove, VA 24375. Remember, this is not a mandatory contribution and may be of any amount your congregation desires. An annual amount of \$60 is a recommendation. All donations are completely voluntary (not required).

- Affiliated congregations may nominate a member (or individuals can self-nominate) to serve on the CLW Council, provided the nominee has given her approval. See the enclosed Nomination Form.
- **Please Note:** All current CLW Council members will remain on Council in 2027, so there will be no vote needed at this year's Convocation, only affirmation. The two council members whose terms will end this year have agreed to serve a second term. The five other council members are still serving their 2-year terms. However, we will be installing two new Council members at the upcoming Convocation, who took the place of two who stepped down before their terms ended. Furthermore, if you wish to submit a Nomination Form, it will be for consideration to serve in 2028, and we welcome all nominations.
- If your congregation is not affiliated with the Carolinas Lutheran Women (CLW), and would like to join, you may download an Affiliation Form from our website (www.carolinaslutheranwomen.org/clw-affiliation) or contact Caitlin Rimmer (crimmer12@gmail.com). Forms may be mailed or brought to the Annual Convocation.
- A proposed 2027 Budget will be presented during the Annual Convocation.
- **The Convocation Offering** will be collected for NALC Disaster Response. **Please make checks to Carolinas Lutheran Women and note "Convocation Offering".**
- CLW Council & Annual Convocation Minutes are available on our website: (<https://www.carolinaslutheranwomen.org/council-documents>). If you have any questions, need more information, or would like hard copies, please contact Caitlin Rimmer (crimmer12@gmail.com) or (704-880-5768).
- **Hotel Accommodations:** Individuals planning to stay overnight are to make their own reservations in Salisbury, NC. Area Hotels include:

Hampton Inn Salisbury
(704) 637-8000
1001 Klumac Rd.
Salisbury, NC 28144

Holiday Inn Express & Suites Salisbury
(704) 314-4100
125 Marriott Cir.
Salisbury, NC 28144

In Christ's love,

CLW Council

Sheila Drum – Grace, Lincolnton NC; **Caitlin Rimmer** – Faith, Faith NC; **Linda Ketner** – United, Crockett VA; **Paulette Abernethy** – New Jerusalem, Hickory NC; **Karen Lyerly** – Organ, Salisbury NC; **Judy Zander** – Holy Trinity, Gastonia NC; **Pr. Cathy Fanslau** – Mt. Tabor, Little Mountain SC; **Pr. Tonya Brittain** (Spiritual Advisor Ad. Hoc) – Organ, Salisbury NC

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