THE LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE (L.W.M.L.)

The League was organized in 1968. The first President was Elsie Bonkowski; Vice-President -Myrtle Gust; Secretary - Lorraine Haberstock; Treasurer - Dora Haberstock; Christian Growth - Maxine Holm and Louise Wagner. There were 13 members.

Regular meetings are held in the church basement on the 4th Monday of each month, The L.W.M.L. is a part of a larger organization which on June 20, 1993 became L.W.M.L. Canada. A new beginning and what a celebration in Edmonton! We therefore hold rallies workshops, retreats and conventions with other sister congregations in district and L.W.M.L. Canada. Through mite boxes we support many mission projects in the church at large reaching out in compassion to the needs of others. We of the L.W.M.L. unite together with other women who have similar ideals and goals. We believe in the importance of God's Word and set aside time for study and prayer. Sharing our faith with fellow members helps to give us courage and know-how to share God's love with those outside the church. The L.W.M.L.. woman is special because she has been created, redeemed and sanctified for a life eternally with her Lord. We are women who are Called to SERVE.

Present Officers

President — Marilyn Klatt Vice-President — Jolene Wicks Treasurer — Betty McLeod Secretary — Gail Shirley

STEPHEN MINISTERS

Pastor Ron Mohr introduced the Stephen Ministry Series in 1987. The first class of eleven Stephen Ministers were commissioned on April 10, 1988. The following people have taken the training and are commissioned Stephen Ministers:

Arlene Abbott, Brian and Shirley Brandon, Rueben and Agnes Jahn, Erwin Krueger Shirley LaChapelle, Shelly Shiach, Gordon and Lois Stromgren, Art and Mary Westgard, Ray Mellom, Wendy Kuenzel, Ethel Turnbull and Carey Weinrauch.

MOMS AND TOTS

Our Mission Statement is:

"As women of God we meet to encourage and support one another in our God-given call as homemakers, to grow in faith and reach out in friendship to our church and community."

We meet every Wednesday morning with babysitting provided. Throughout the year, we do two or three Bible or christian oriented women-parenting studies. We share much laughter, tears, recipes and the love of our Savior.

SENIOR FELLOWSHIP

The Senior Fellowship is held every first Wednesday of the month. It starts at 12 noon with a bag lunch and someone will bring a cake. The pastor or the D.C.O. will lead a Bible study or we will have a speaker or a film. It's very much enjoyed. We usually have a lot of fun and we also get to know each other.

TELECARE PRAYER MINISTRY

Telecare is a new ministry begun this year. It is made up of a group of ladies of the congregation. Each one calls a certain number of families and asks for any needs or prayer requests they may have. Only with permission to do so will these needs be brought before the group for prayer at the monthly meetings.

ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN YOUTH GROUP

The youth group at present consists of 30 plus members. The focus of our youth ministry is four-fold.

- 1. to plan activities and fellowship gatherings specifically for St. Peter's youth.
- 2. to host programs which involve the participation of the entire congregation.
- 3. to provide input and leadership in order to help carry out the church's mission.
- 4. to initiate and implement programs to reach out and serve the community.

Some activities that were carried out in the past year were:

Hosting a circuit youth rally, attending an N.H.L. hockey game, a snowmobile party with Oxbow and Frobisher youth groups, a trip to the I-Max theatre in Regina and leading a youth worship service. A positive factor in our youth ministry is that we generally average 25% of our own youth in attendance and an equal number of friends at most activities. Many of these friends have no church affiliation. The youth board presently consists of Mrs. Dianne Wright and Mrs. Debbie Johnson.

BUILDING COMMITTEE

As we celebrate seventy-five years of what has been happening in St. Peter's in Estevan, we must remember it is not we who accomplished anything. It was Christ working through us. Even the buildings we worship and have fellowship in are given to us by God.

Although the gospel never changes the means of getting the Good News to others along with methods of worship, fellowship and training must change as society changes. So with God's help we are planning for the future.

Some of you who have not been here for a while will notice some changes already. The narthex has been opened up to make more room. The stairway to the basement has been moved. These are part of an overall plan to make God's building, in modern terms, more user friendly. The Sunday School rooms will be completely modified to allow teachers to do their jobs in the best possible surroundings. We are planning for a lift from upstairs to down. Also in the planning stages is the expansion of the upper area to allow for more office space, private family rooms (for bereaved people) and crying rooms etc. We are also well into plans for an auditorium type of building directly behind and connected to the main building. A large building fund is in place and growing.

The building committee chosen by the congregation consists of every one of us. The task of organizing was given to Harvey Haberstock, Merv Shiach, Art Westgard and Brian Brandon. With God's blessing we will have the facilities required to spread His kingdom for another seventy-five years and beyond. Thanks be to God.

Congregational Officers

The following officers comprise the Church Council for 1993 - '94:

President — Erwin Krueger

Vice-President — Ray Mellom

Secretary — Sheryl Watson

Treasurer — Louise Murray

Financial Secretary — Shirley LaChapelle

Chairman of Elders — Wayne Timm

Chairman of Youth — Ralph Arndt

Chairman of Stewardship — Merv Shiach

Chairman of Education — Debra Paterson

Chairman of Mission — Ralph Arndt

Chairman of Trustees — Neil Reiley

Parish Administrator — Shelly Shiach