

Proclaim!

*What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered,
proclaim from the rooftops.*

Matthew 10: 27

Episcopal Church Women of Delaware August 2021 Newsletter

Editor's note: This issue of *Proclaim!* Will be devoted to the ECW Annual Meeting. If you and/or your ECW group have news or information you want to disseminate, please send it to me at gr8art@outlook.com. I plan to send the next issue following the Annual Meeting with information and events for all.

Friendship House

*Uniting people facing homelessness with
loving, supportive communities
they can call home.*

Friendship House, our outreach target this year, strives to fill gaps in New Castle County for those who are houseless and homeless and searching for a way home. Friendship House operates Hope Center, in a former hotel, where the supportive environment provides case management 24 hours a day for over 300 guests - individuals and families. The program ensures all guests have access to food and transportation as needed. The guests have access to medical assistance, mental health professionals and substance abuse counselors. Some residents have the comfort of their pets with them at Hope Center. Friendship House also has a transitional housing program and 5 empowerment centers across New Castle County. The Clothing Bank of Wilmington accepts all clean clothing in good repair, no matter the season. These clothes are free to the needy.

Friendship house has a long wish list, this is a selection of items that are critically needed: (The only clothing we can accept is school uniforms.)

- Laundry detergent pods
- Personal items - shampoo, conditioner, soap, lotion, deodorant (all full size, please)
- Protein bars
- School uniforms
- Pet food
- Cash

Bring the items you and your Parish have collected to the ECW Annual Meeting on October 16th, and we will deliver them to a representative of Friendship House. If you are unable to attend the meeting, send me an email and we will work something out.

Episcopal Church Women of Delaware

Luncheon & Annual Meeting

Saturday, October 16, 2021 - 12:30 PM

Frazier's Restaurant,

9 East Loockerman Street, Dover

The Tree of Life

The Episcopal Church Women of Delaware honor the life and ministries of the women of our Diocese - past and present.

Proverbs 3: 18. *She is a tree of life to those who take hold of her; those who hold her fast will be blessed.*

REGISTRATION

Name _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Mailing Address _____

Parish _____

Fee: \$ 25.00. (Make your check payable to ECW-Delaware and put Annual Meeting on the subject line.)

Mail your registration to:

Chrissie Lockwood
3719 Philadelphia Pike
Claymont, DE 19703

Registration Deadline is October 9.

Draft agenda for the ECW Annual Meeting

- Luncheon
- Getting acquainted
- Discussion - Women Who Serve
 - * D. L. Casson - Parish administrator at Ss. Andrew & Matthew, Wilmington. Member Friendship House Board of Directors
 - * Rev. Deacon Chris Miller-Marcin - serving at St. Peter's, Lewes. Member Primeros Passos Board of Directors
 - * Mother Donna Jean (DJ) Kiessling - Rector, St. Peter's, Smyrna
- Presentation of Outreach items to a representative of Friendship House
- Business Meeting and election of Treasurer
- Closing Worship
 - Blessing and Dedication of the Book of Remembrance, Vol. II
- Drawing for door prizes

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Covid 19 Safety Measures

- We have reserved the large banquet room.
- We will seat fewer people at each table.
- We ask that you wear a mask unless you are eating or drinking.
- If you do not feel well, please stay home. We will miss you, but we want everyone to be safe.
- Enter from the parking lot by the door to the left, directly into the banquet room, there will be a sign.
- In the event of a change to our plans you will be contacted. The governors guidelines will prevail.

This newsletter has been sent to a list of interested individuals in the Diocese, and to each Parish in the Diocese with an email address. It will be accessible via **The Net**, weekly news from the Mission Center. Help us by telling your friends about our meeting. And don't forget, the registration deadline is October 9.