Report of the Southern Ohio Women of the ELCA

A convention of the Women of the ELCA was held in St. Paul Lutheran Church, Lancaster, September 17th, 2022. Pastor Quay led us in our opening devotions, and we heard inspiring word that God speaks to us through chaos. There is hope through his promise. God grants us hope. There is still work to be done even as traditions change. There are plans for peace, hope, and the future. In her president's report, Susan Wycoff compared us to the Marines. Their motto Semper Fi means always faithful. That is what we as Women of the ELCA aspire to. To share God's Love in the chaos of our world, even as we find our way after the Pandemic. At this convention a new board was elected. The new board consists of: Co-Leaders Joan Slocum and Robin Kaelin

Admin Asst. Marcile Griffin

Treasurer Cindi Eidson

Representatives of conferences

Sally Long Wood – Central

Natalie Morton – Cincinnati

Marcia Calhoun – Dayton

Lori Abraham – Muskingum Cindy Weikart – Northwest Virginia Nickel – Scioto

Contact information can be found on the synod website, or you will find my contact information below, and I can get you what you need if desired

We have received a \$1000.00 grant from the National WELCA to use for our women. At our gatherings we have been finding out how the women on the ground working best want us to use it.

We are happy to share that one of our ladies in Southern Ohio has served as the Secretary on the National WELCA Board since 2018, Freddie Jordan. In September 2023 we have delegates going to the National WELCA Convention in Arizona. Please pray for them as they go and represent Southern Ohio. They are Cynthia Douglas, Patti Eaton, Kathy Delong, Su Bowling, Cindy Weikart, Robin Kaelin, and Freddie Jordan.

For more information, please feel free to contact me. As Marines on the ground floor, we are ready to share the Good News! Semper fi, Robin Kaelin <u>rbk013@gmail.com</u> or 513-284-5176