

## 32nd Annual Parish Nurse and Congregational Health Ministries Conference

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Welcome to our 32<sup>nd</sup> annual conference! This year's gathering is based on Galatians 6:2: *Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.*

As we prayerfully ask for compassion, kindness, humility, patience, and follow His example, we know that our God has blessed us. We will serve our Heavenly Father in our churches and communities with caring service in our congregational health ministries.

This annual national gathering of nurses, pastors, lay ministers, and others is a true blessing. It helps us all focus on our calling to vocations, to share and tell the love of Christ, and to serve Him in all we do. It includes blessings to gain new knowledge, network with peers, and share resources to help us all develop new programs and ministries in congregational health.

If you cannot attend, please pray for a successful conference and consider a financial donation. I hope to see you in May 2025 at the 33<sup>rd</sup> annual conference in Mequon, WI.

Your sister in Christ,

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## Concordia University Wisconsin

CUW is located in Mequon, Wisconsin, 25 miles north of Milwaukee's Mitchell International Airport.

**TRANSPORTATION:** Go RiteWay shuttle service is available from Mitchell International Airport to hotels. Call 1-800-236-5450 to make arrangements.

**DIRECTIONS** – Traveling on Interstate 43: Construction continues – plan accordingly.

**FROM THE SOUTH:** Take Exit 87 (Highland Rd.), and turn right on Highland to the main campus entrance.

**FROM THE NORTH:**

Take Exit 87 (Highland Rd.), and turn left on Highland Rd. until the main campus driveway.

**LODGING** within five miles (*please make your own reservations*):

*Mention Concordia to get better rates. Rates vary depending on room and bed size.*

- Hampton Inn & Suites  
1385 Gateway Dr., Grafton, WI  
262-474-1000
- Comfort Inn & Suites  
1415 N. Port Washington Rd., Grafton, WI  
262-387-1180
- TownePlace Suites  
1601 Gateway Dr., Grafton, WI  
262-618-8100

All hotels serve complimentary breakfast.

**PARKING** When arriving at CUW, park in Lot L. Enter Rincker Hall near Campus Security. See enclosed map with confirmation letter.

**DISABILITY?** Concordia is wheelchair accessible!

# Caring Alongside: The Essence of Parish Nursing and Congregational Health Ministries



## The 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Parish Nurse and Congregational Health Ministries National Conference May 15-16, 2024

Hosted by:  
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## Registration Form

Name (print clearly or paste address label here): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Religious affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Nurse  Clergy  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Your name and address will be shared with participants.

### PLEASE CHECK DAYS YOU WILL ATTEND:

- Wednesday, May 15, 2024 \$90.00  
 Thursday, May 16, 2024 \$90.00  
 Special Clergy Rate – Full Conference \$55.00  
 LPNI Scholarships (*first-time attendees*): Four \$250 scholarships are available for parish nurses from any Lutheran Synod. Email Marcy Schnorr for an application: [marcyschnorr2009@gmail.com](mailto:marcyschnorr2009@gmail.com). Register for conference with full payment. You will be reimbursed after attending conference.

TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Fee includes all materials and food. Make checks payable to **Concordia University Wisconsin** (no credit cards, please). Send check and this form to:

*Dr. Carol Lueders Bolwerk  
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12800 North Lakeshore Drive  
Mequon, WI 53097*

**CANCELLATION:** No refunds are available after May 1. Refunds will be from less than \$50.00 per day.

## Conference Schedule

### Wednesday, May 15, 2024: All Sessions

#### will be held: Lower Level Rincker

- 8 AM** Registration (Lower Rincker Hallway) & LPNI Auction (R005)
- 8:30 AM** **Session A:** A Bigger Picture in Health Care: Diabetes and Its Risk Factors - Liz Deck, **R016**  
**Session B:** What you did for the least of these, you did for Me: Caring for the Homeless - Cheryl Strahm, **R014**  
**Session C:** Romania: The Beauty, the Culture, the People: LPNI Study Tour 2023 - Susan Neff, **R009**
- 9:30 AM** **Break: Follow signs to Chapel**
- 10 AM** **Chapel** - Chapel of Christ Triumphant
- 10:30 AM** **Session D:** Loneliness: Can We Count on God? – Kathy Zarling, **R014**  
**Session E:** Pieces of Peace for your Physical and Mental Health - Kelly Menke, **R009**  
**Session F:** God is Good: Life in a Maximum-Security Prison - Fred Zimmermann, **R018**  
**Session G:** Sleep Deprivation: Danger, Diagnosis, and Treatments – Jennie Johnson, **R016**
- 11:30 AM** Lunch-Landing, Heidelberg: Sponsored by Concordia Plans
- 12:45 PM** **Session H:** Caring and Learning Together: Health Education and Community Assets – Tiffany Manor and Stephanie Neugebauer, **R016**  
**Session I:** Parish Nursing: Exploring the Psychology of Disease in our Parishioners - Kathy Zarling, **R014**  
**Session J:** The Impact of Artificial Intelligence in Health Care – Kevin Voss, **R009**  
**Session K:** Arm Chair Ministry Around the Corner and Around the World – Mary Schnorr, **R018**
- 1:45 PM** **Break – LPNI Auction Closes**
- 2:15 PM** **Closing:** Just Say Yes: Caring for Others Under So Many Names – Rev. Dan Paavola, **The Landing**
- 3:15 PM** **Let's Grow the Ministry of Parish Nursing!** – Jeff Klocko & Tim Brever
- 3:35 PM** **Closing Prayer** – Rev. Joe Cottom, following pick up your LPNI auction items

### Thursday, May 16, 2024

- 8 AM** Registration – Lower Level Rincker
- 8:15 AM** **Session A:** Importance of Vit D3, Calcium, and K2 – Jennie Johnson, **R018**

**Session B:** Walking with the Elderly - Raida Monsour, **R016**  
**Session C:** Looking at Life - Tiffany Manor and Stephanie Neugebauer, **R014**  
**Session D:** Willingness to Bear Others' Burdens Through Strategic Resilience - Heidi Then, **R009**

**9:15 AM** **Stretch Break**

**9:30 AM** **Session E:** Walking with Care Providers to Develop Better Care for People with Dementia – Raida Monsour, **R016**  
**Session F:** Epidemic of Loneliness - Marie Wiegert, **R014**  
**Session G:** A Special Blessing at the End of Life – Mary Hume and Jamie Spikes, **R009**  
**Session H:** The Impact of Florence Nightingale on a Nurse's Perception of Calling – Carol Lueders Bolwerk and John Dyson, **R018**

**10:30 AM** **Light Snack Break – in the Landing, Heidelberg:** sponsored by LPNI and CUW

**11:00 AM** **Session I:** It's All the Rage: Weight Loss Management in Primary Care – Liz Deck, **R018**  
**Session J:** Walking on Holy Ground: Nurturing Hope and Healing – Carol DeSchepper and Marilee Tollefson, **R014**  
**Session K:** Resources for Ministry in Rural Areas - Hope Knight, **R016**  
**Session L:** Advance Care Planning: It's About the Conversation - Bob Gionet, **R009**

**12:00 PM** **Break**

**12:15 PM** **Session M:** Serving with the Angels: An Experience of Helping to Address Burdens/Issues of Children and Families in the Inner-City Environment – Pat Braun, **R018**  
**Session N:** Caring Teams - Carmen and Kent Stephens, **R016**  
**Session O:** Caring for Others - Christie Hansard, **R014**

*Go now and praise the Lord for all our blessings, rejoicing always, praying continuously, and giving thanks in all circumstances.*

**Thank you to all presenters, the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, Lutheran Parish Nurses International and Concordia Plans.**