

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the 2020 planning committee, we are pleased to welcome the One Michigan One Mission Conference to Lansing! This conference brings together the Michigan Association of Non-Public School Education Conference and Expo and the Michigan District of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod Professional Church Workers' Conference for a large, two-day event. The theme, "One Michigan One Mission," reflects perfectly the thousands of educators and professional church workers serving in Christian communities across the state who instill a love of learning and a passion for discipleship. With dynamic keynotes, in-depth featured sessions, educational excursions, and more than 100 sectionals to choose from, you don't want to miss this event!

This year, we again invite each of you to help celebrate our schools and young artists during a special initiative called "ArtPraise." This event is an art showcase and competition that highlights the talents of our young artists using photography, drawing, painting, and sculpture. Now we are bringing it to Lansing! Visual art submissions will be displayed at exhibitor booths throughout the expo hall and conference attendees will vote for their favorites throughout the event. All submissions will be highlighted on social media and there will be prizes for first, second, and third place winners.

Please review the attached *Call for Artwork* and share it with your art teachers, preschool teachers, and K-8 homeroom teachers. If you have any questions regarding the ArtPraise, please contact <u>Victoria</u> <u>Barkoff</u> or <u>Molly Koll</u>. We look forward to seeing you in Lansing on October 15–16, 2020!

Sincerely,

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